

Minutes Board of Town Trustees

STATE OF ILLINOIS,
COUNTY OF LAKE
TOWN OF FREMONT

The Fremont Township Board of Trustees met at 22385 W. Illinois Route 60. Mundelein, IL 60060 on December 7, 2015 to conduct a **Regular Meeting.**

ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Diana O'Kelly	Supervisor
Christina McCann	Town Clerk
Bill Grinnell	Highway Commissioner
Ed Sullivan, Jr.	Assessor
Trustee Atleson	Town Trustee
Trustee Forman	Town Trustee
Trustee Martin	Town Trustee
Trustee Shanahan	Town Trustee

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE

Supervisor O'Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Supervisor O'Kelly, Trustee Atleson, Trustee Forman, Trustee Martin (via speaker phone), Trustee Shanahan

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT

Clerk Christina McCann, Highway Commissioner Bill Grinnell

OTHERS PRESENT

Rose Marie Domeny, Judy Hammel, Pat Stejskal, Keith Voss

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Trustee Forman moved and Trustee Shanahan seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2015 Regular board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

None

6. OLD BUSINESS

6.1 2015 Town Levy

- **Trustee Shanahan moved and Trustee Forman seconded the motion to adopt Fremont Township Ordinance No. 256 levying taxes for the purposes of the General Town and General Assistance funds in the amount of \$1,198,320.00.**

Discussion

- The 2015 Town Levy will be frozen at the level extended in 2014.
- Supervisor O’Kelly explained the General Assistance Levy has been reduced to \$1,000.00 because there are ample reserves to finance the fund
- Trustee Martin inquired about specific budget line items and requested a breakdown of total expenses for construction of the new maintenance building.
- Supervisor O’Kelly suggested the board schedule a special meeting to discuss FY 2015/2016 budget.

ROLL CALL Aye: Trustee Atleson, Trustee Forman, Trustee Martin, Trustee Shanahan. **All in favor, motion carried.**

6.2 2015 Road District Levy

- **Trustee Forman moved and Trustee Shanahan seconded the motion to adopt Fremont Township Ordinance No. 257 levying taxes for the purposes of the Road and Bridge and Permanent Road funds in the amount of \$1,500,000.00.**

ROLL CALL Aye: Trustee Atleson, Trustee Forman, Trustee Martin, Trustee Shanahan. **All in favor, motion carried.**

NEW BUSINESS

7.1 2016 Board Meeting Calendar

- **Trustee Forman moved and Trustee Shanahan seconded the motion to adopt the 2016 Board Meeting Calendar. All in favor, motion carried.**

7.2 2016 Parks Committee Meeting Calendar

- **Trustee Forman moved and Trustee Shanahan seconded the motion to adopt the 2016 Parks Committee Meeting Calendar. All in favor, motion carried.**

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

8.1 Parks

None

8. CERT REPORT

Team leader Pat Stejskal reported the following:

- Pat Stejskal presented a letter to Supervisor O’Kelly from Terry Cox, Co-Chairman Lake County Citizens Corps Council, congratulating Fremont Township and the Fremont Township CERT Outreach Committee on their efforts to better inform the community about emergency disaster planning through “CERT Presents”, a 60 minute public education program aired on WRLR two times per month. “CERT Presents” is the only known CERT sponsored radio program in the U.S.
- On January 25, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. CERT will do a presentation on Preparing Pets for Disaster
- 2016 entry level CERT training for emergency preparedness will run on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. on February 17 through March 23.

9. COMMUNITY GARDEN REPORT

Trustee Atleson reported the following:

- Volunteers harvested forty bags of garden produce for Thanksgiving meal baskets distributed to needy residents in the community.

10. ELECTED OFFICIAL REPORTS

Assessor

None

Clerk

The Clerk reported on the following:

- There was one FOIA request from SmartProcure Inc. for vendors paid between June 29, 2015 and November 30, 2015. The request was responded to in a timely manner.
- Minutes for the Highland Terrace road relocation/vacation Public Hearing held on November 17, 2015 have been posted on the website under the Transparency/Public Hearings link. Members of the community have requested the digital recording of that hearing.

Highway Commissioner

The Highway Commissioner reported on the following:

- Construction of the maintenance building is moving forward. The building is buttoned up and we are waiting for the construction crew from FBI buildings to return and complete finishing touches. After FBI is finished the electrical and plumbing will be installed.
- The salt shed has also been improved with a new roof and siding.
- The Public Hearing for Highland Terrace road relocation/vacation was well attended. The Highway Commissioner has not yet made a decision as to whether the road will be relocated.
- The first large snowfall of the year was handled well by department staff.

Supervisor

Supervisor O'Kelly reported on the following:

- Attended public hearing on Midlothian and Gilmer Road intersection improvements
- Emceed show choir event at Mundelein High School
- Worked the Hispanic job fair with Nancy Lech
- Toured the Mundelein High School addition
- Elected to LCCTSC Board of Directors and will attend meeting this week to choose new name for the transportation program
- Attended public hearing for Highland Terrace road relocation/vacation
- Picked up 35 turnkeys from Elly's Pancake House
- Distributed 65 Thanksgiving meals
- Held food sorting event on December 4 for food pantry donations
- Attended TOI Annual Conference in Springfield
- Met with representative from Army Corps of Engineers regarding Squaw Creek Wetlands
- Supervisor O'Kelly was the subject of an article in TOI's Township Perspective Magazine. She was recognized for improving township community outreach efforts through social media and electronic newsletters

Trustees - None

12. GA/EA/FOOD PANTRY REPORT

The following statistics were reported for the month of November 2015:

- Two (2) residents received General Assistance without medical
- One (1) resident received Emergency Assistance
- Fifty five (55) residents received food pantry assistance
- Forty nine (49) taxi coupons were purchased
- Nineteen (19) residents participated in the diaper bank
- Nine (9) residents submitted applications for RTA passes
- Twenty six (26) residents received assistance with LIHEAP applications
- Sixty five (65) Thanksgiving dinners were distributed to residents
- Working on gift bags for adopt a senior and adopt a family programs

13. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Rose Marie Domyeny commended the Highway Department on a good job during the heavy snowfall last month.

14. APPROVAL OF BILLS

- **Trustee Martin moved and Trustee Forman seconded the motion to audit and approve for payment of Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of \$88,978.61, Permanent Road Fund in the amount of \$66,141.73, and General Town Fund in the amount of \$85,510.79.**
- **ROLL CALL: Aye: Trustee Atleson, Trustee Forman, Trustee Martin, Trustee Shanahan. All in favor, motion carried.**
- **Trustee Shanahan moved and Trustee Forman seconded the motion to audit and approve for payment of General Assistance Fund in the amount of \$7,064.19. All in favor, motion carried.**

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

16. ADJOURN

- **Trustee Shanahan moved and Trustee Forman seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted, Christina McCann, Fremont Township Clerk Approved: January 11, 2016