

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 May 14, 2018 to conduct a Regular Meeting.

Diana O’Kelly	Supervisor
Christina McCann	Town Clerk
Bill Grinnell	Highway Commissioner
Joe Herchenbach	Assessor
Jeri Atleson	Town Trustee
Patricia Stejskal	Town Trustee
Connie Shanahan	Town Trustee
Keith Voss	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

Trustee Atleson, Trustee Stejskal, Trustee Voss, Supervisor O’Kelly.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT

Clerk McCann, Highway Commissioner Grinnell, Assessor Herchenbach

OTHERS PRESENT

Rose Marie Domeny, Beth Herchenbach

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Trustee Shanahan moved, and Trustee Atleson seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2018 Regular Meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

Received thank you from Department of Motor Vehicles for sponsoring mobile event at township.

6. OLD BUSINESS

7. None

8. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 FY 2018/2018 Town & Road Budget Discussion

- Highway Commissioner Grinnell reported there aren’t many changes from last year’s budget. It was a good year financially so funds have been carried over to this year’s budget.
- The Sylvan Lake project remains outstanding.
- Additional paving will be added this summer due to lower than expected paving quotes.

9. PARKS REPORT

No report

10. CERT REPORT

Team Leader Pat Stejskal reported the following:

- Area CERTs are meeting regularly to plan a large scale joint exercise/drill for late September, or early October at the Wauconda Fire Station on Gilmer Road by Volo

Summer Schedule of events include:

- Sat, June 2 – Children’s Health Fair, Grayslake
- Sun, July 1 – Mundelein Parade
- Mon, July 16 – CERT meeting
- Sat, July 21 – Shredding event at Township
- July 25 -29 – Lake County Fair (Thursday afternoon & evening on July 26 - Fremont CERT)

11. COMMUNITY GARDEN REPORT

Trustee Atleson reported on the following:

- Garden is very busy with activity including planting and design modifications.
- Eighty-six Fremont School sixth grade students assisted with planting 500 native flowers and grasses and 37 trees and shrubs on the township campus as part of the ComEd Conservation Project.
- In addition, three information signs, an additional bug hotel and a pollinator garden were installed. The students also learned how to spread leaf mulch.
- A group of second grade students from Frassati Catholic Academy also assisted with garden chores

12. ELECTED OFFICIALS’ REPORT

Assessor

Assessor Herchenbach reported the following:

- Tax bills have been mailed with relatively few calls received by our office (likely due to the slightly lower tax rates offsetting the slight increase in assessed values)
- We have unusually busy with homeowners applying specifically for their senior exemptions
- Our office is ahead of schedule with continuing education courses, which should leave us well-staffed to handle the impending tax assessment notice mailings & appeal season.
- The blue sheets are on schedule to be mailed early in June.

Clerk

Clerk McCann Reported the following:

- FY 2018/2019 Town and Road Budget Hearings have been rescheduled for Thursday, May 31 at 6:45 and 6:55 p.m.
- FOIA request from the Illinois Policy Institute for information pertaining to all finances related to TOI Topics day for years 2016/2016/2017.
- FOIA request from Better Government Association for information pertaining to employee compensation and benefits for the year 2017.
- FOIA request from private resident for information from Assessor’s Office pertaining to full and part-time employees. Additional information requested could not be supplied because the Assessor’s Office does not maintain the requested statistics.

Highway Commissioner

Highway Commissioner Grinnell reported the following:

- Highway crews working on installing culverts
- Paving project for Schwermann Road to begin soon
- Paving for Countryside Lake to begin soon

Supervisor

Supervisor O’Kelly reported on the following:

- Received Sexual Harassment signed forms from heads of all groups using fields at township parks
- food from Post Office food drive
- Did interview with Boy Scout Eric Costello for a Merit Badge
- Attended LCCTSC meeting, Supervisor’s Luncheon, Saddlebrook Farms craft show, Ivanhoe Club HOA meeting, Lake Fairfield Lakes HOA meeting, Grand Dominion home expo, Mother’s Trust Founder event and Super Senior dinner at MHS.
- Mobile DMV event held at township was well attended

- Met for lunch with MHS Superintendent
- Received \$900.00 in grand funds from the Liberty Prairie Conservancy
- Met with Mundelein Police Chief Gunther regarding flood response
- Spoke about township services at Rotary meeting
- Discovered that implementing township-wide garbage services may not be feasible due to Ivanhoe Estates, and potentially other sub-divisions, already having contracts in place with haulers. Will discuss with SWALCO and report back to board.
- Dealing with a complicated GA case and have discovered a gap in services for those most in need of help. Working with other agencies to obtain assistance and discuss filling gaps in service across agencies.

Trustees

- Trustee Stejskal mentioned that the Mundelein summer lunch program will be held again this year with left over lunches being sent to township for food pantry distribution.
- Trustee Stejskal will attend TOI District Training seminar with Caseworker Nancy Lech.
- Trustee Atleson is working to organize a medication seminar for local seniors.

13. GA/EA/FOOD PANTRY REPORT

The following statistics were reported for the month of April 2018:

- No residents received General Assistance without medical
- Three (3) residents received Emergency Assistance
- Forty-six (46) residents received food pantry assistance
- Three (3) residents applied for Liheap assistance
- Nineteen (19) Taxi coupons used by residents (number reported is for March 2018)
- Four (4) residents received assistance with RTA pass applications
- Two (2) residents applied for the Benefit Access Program
- Twenty-one (21) residents received Diaper Bank donations

13. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Rose Marie Domeny said the County has begun a project to work with municipalities to explore combining resources to provide reverse 911 for County residents. The County is currently seeking a Project Coordinator to oversee the project.

14. APPROVAL OF BILLS

- **Trustee Voss moved, and Trustee Atleson seconded the motion to audit and approve for payment of Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of \$31,160.16, Permanent Road Fund in the amount of \$55,374.07 and General Town Fund in the amount of \$116,115.88.**

ROLL CALL: Aye: Trustee Atleson, Trustee Stejskal, Trustee Voss. All in favor, motion carried.

- **Trustee Voss moved, and Trustee Stejskal seconded the motion to audit and approve for payment of the General Assistance Fund in the amount of \$12,111,77. All in favor, motion carried.**

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

16. ADJOURN

- **Trustee Stejskal moved, and Trustee Atleson seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.**