

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 April 13, 2021 to conduct a Regular Meeting.

Diana O’Kelly	Supervisor
Christina McCann	Town Clerk
Alicia Dodd	Highway Commissioner
Joe Herchenbach	Assessor
Jeri Atleson	Town Trustee
Nick Dollenmaier	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 6:30 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Trustee Atleson, Trustee Dollenmaier, Trustee Shanahan, Trustee Voss, Supervisor O’Kelly

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT

Highway Commissioner Dodd, Assessor Herchenbach, Clerk McCann

OTHERS PRESENT

Christine Seidner, Mike Nelson, Dan Prezell

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Trustee Shanahan moved, and Trustee Dollenmaier seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2021 Regular Meeting. **All in favor, motion carried.**

5. CORRESPONDENCE

None

6. OLD BUSINESS

None

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 2021 Behm Park Improvements

Trustee Shanahan moved and Trustee Voss seconded the motion to approve the bid from DK Contractors in the amount of \$80,786.00 for the 2021 Behm Park Improvements.

Discussion

During bid review it was determined Item No. 13 - landscape restoration could be done in-house by the park’s crew to reduce project costs by \$5175.00.

Trustee Dollenmaier moved to amend the motion, and Trustee Shanahan seconded the amendment to approve the bid from DK Contractors, excluding Item No. 13 - landscape restoration, for a total bid of \$75,611.00.

Roll Call

Trustee Atleson, Trustee Dollenmaier, Trustee Shanahan, Trustee Voss
All in favor, motion carried.

7.2 Behm Park Electronic Gate Replacement

Trustee Voss moved and Trustee Atleson seconded the motion to approve bid in the amount of \$8892.00 from Gate Options to replace electronic gate at Behm Park entrance. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion

The current gate needs to be replaced versus repaired because parts are now obsolete.

8. PARKS REPORT

Trustee Shanahan reported the following:

- With a very mild March, the Parks were opened earlier than normal. Baseball, Lacrosse and Soccer have already begun.
- Restrooms are also open. Water was tested by the Health Dept and was found to be satisfactory. Drinking fountains are still closed due to Covid regulations. Not sure when this will be overturned.
- Playground and exercise stations are open as well. Playgrounds can be used if we do not fall back any phases of the Restore Illinois plan. Toirma was notified and asked their opinion and they concur.
- Parks staff has taken advantage of the warmer weather and have already started season operations. Will start mowing grass next week believe it or not.
- Busy working with a company called Fresh Energy on LED retrofits for Ivanhoe Field. Parks committee will discuss in May.

9. CERT REPORT

Interim team leader Chris Seidner submitted the following report:

- Still logging many hours helping the LCHD with Vaccines distribution and testing.
- Quarterly meeting coming up in a couple of weeks.
- Working on plans to help with Township Shredding Event on May 15th.

10. COMMUNITY GARDEN REPORT

Hwy. Commissioner Dodd reported the following:

- Planted three beds and have plants under the lights
- Already hearing from volunteers interested in helping this season

11. ELECTED OFFICIAL REPORTS**Assessor**

Assessor Herchenbach will report at the Annual Town Meeting.

Clerk

Clerk McCann submitted the following report:

- Proposed FY 2021/2022 Town & Road Budgets have been posted on website and bulletin boards and copies put in elected official mailboxes.
- FY 2021/2022 Budget Hearings will be held on May 10, 2021 with Town at 6:15 p.m. and at 6:25 p.m. As required, public notice has been published in Daily Herald.
- Officials must take Oath of Office for new terms prior to May 17. Tentatively planning on May 10, 2021 prior to budget hearings. Will notify officials when date is confirmed.

Highway Commissioner

Highway Commissioner Dodd submitted the following Report:

- Met with Congresswoman Lauren Underwood's district director about application for Community Project Funding Initiative for Sylvan Lake Dam—Lake County SMC is submitting application for FTHD.
- Applied for No Parking sign permit along Park Avenue.
- Crews completed plow damage cleanup, bucket truck work, trash cleanup, cold patching
- Highway crew completed prescribed burns on Admin property and Behm Park.

- Met with LCFPD about new maintenance facility on Ivanhoe and the storm sewer and ROW changes involved.
- Met with Village Green golf course managers and SMC regarding Village Green/Harvard Ave stormwater grant project.
- Met with homeowners and Gewalt Hamilton engineering regarding Forest Lane Drainpipe (SIRF project)
- Cleared trees/shrubs from Sylvan Dam embankment and seeded with fescue grass (met with Sylvan Lake residents prior to coordinate cleanup efforts)
- Cleared buckthorn from Hawthorne Blvd ROW (coordinated effort with West Shoreland).
- Met with CLA president about CLA paving area and Maple Rd. They would like to consider vacating the ROW of Maple Rd so they can restrict parking.

Supervisor

Supervisor O’Kelly submitted the following report:

- Saddlebrook and Del Webb completed the second round of vaccine at Fremont School. Thank you to Dr. Robertson and the Fremont staff for hosting this event for our residents.
- The Mundelein Park District vaccine clinic went extremely well. Thank you to their staff for such a well-run event.
- Thank you to Wauconda Township and Lake Villa Township for loaning us 12 wheelchairs for the events.
- Many residents heard of the vaccine events after they had transpired due to not having access to a computer. Every resident who contacted our office regarding vaccine access has been scheduled at Fremont School, Big Hollow, Mundelein Park District, Sullivan Center in Vernon Hills, The Chapel, Walgreen’s or Allvax. Those needing access to a second vaccine who were scheduled elsewhere were able to get their vaccine through the Health Department.
- Any new people calling the office will be put on a list for the Wauconda Township event on April 29th at the Chapel if we are unable to find other options for them. We have been working with Cuba Township also.
- The homebound seniors are made aware of the county program and are advised to call the Health Department at 847 377-8130 if they need the vaccine.
- Early voting ended Saturday, April 3.
- The auditor was here this month.
- Fremont Seniors on Medicare who had Indy Health as their insurer were notified that Indy Health is no longer in business. Our SHIP counselor is meeting with those who need help starting the week of April 28.

Trustees

- Trustees thanked Supervisor O’Kelly and CERT for their work on vaccine events.
- Trustee Atleson did her annual ride with the Hwy. Commissioner to get a clear picture of what is going on with township roads and highway projects.
- Trustee Atleson worked with Supervisor O’Kelly on lighting project for Ivanhoe Park.

12. GA/EA/FOOD PANTRY REPORT

The following statistics were reported for March 2021:

- No GA or EA clients
- 67 residents received food pantry assistance.
- 2 LIHEAP applications processed.
- 14 Diaper Bank donations/distributions
- No Benefit Access Applications
- No RTA Pass Applicants
- No Mother’s Trust Applicants
- No IDHS/SNAP & Medicaid Applicants

13. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

14. APPROVAL OF BILLS

- Trustee Voss moved, and Trustee Dollenmaier seconded the motion to audit and approve for payment of Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of **\$19,637.81**
Permanent Road Fund in the amount of **\$89,528.41**
and General Town Fund in the amount of **\$114,392.61**

ROLL CALL: Aye: Trustee Atleson, Trustee Dollenmaier, Trustee Shanahan, Trustee Voss

All in favor, motion carried.

- Trustee Dollenmaier moved, and Trustee Voss seconded the motion to audit and approve for payment of the General Assistance Fund in the amount of **\$11,655.35.**

ROLL CALL:

Aye: Trustee Atleson, Trustee Dollenmaier, Trustee Shanahan, Trustee Voss

All in favor, motion carried.

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

16. ADJOURN

- Trustee Shanahan moved, and Trustee Voss seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 p.m.
All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Christina McCann, Fremont Township Clerk

Approved: May 10, 2021