

TOWN OF CORTLAND
Town Hall
59 S. Somonauk Road
Cortland, IL 60112
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Business Meeting
November 22, 2010
7:00 P.M.

Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance / Roll Call

Mayor Seyller called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken by Rita Nielsen, Deputy Clerk. Shown as present were Mayor Seyller and Trustees Sandra Barzso, Chuck Lanning, Randy Reiter, and Brad Stone. Trustees Doug Corson and Mike Siewierski were absent. Quorum was present. Also present was Administrator Walter Magdziarz.

Agenda

Trustee Reiter moved and Trustee Stone seconded a motion to approve agenda. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Public Wishing to Speak

There were no persons wishing to speak.

Consent Agenda

Deputy Clerk Nielsen read the consent agenda into the record.
Approve Town Board Minutes of October 25 and November 8, 2010
Approve Treasurer's Report for October 2010
Approve Expenditure Report for October 2010

Mr. Magdziarz asked for one clarification to the minutes of October 25 and several clarifications to the minutes of November 8. With an addition to the minutes of November 8 to include: Mr. Lamz provided a summary of the budget review that was submitted in the packet. At the halfway point of the fiscal year revenues, with the exception of fee revenues, are tracking close to budget levels. Expenses are generally tracking favorable to budget with the exception of specific items routinely mentioned such as legal expenses. Overall, at the point of the budget year we are on-track to meet budget expectations. Mr. Lamz reminded everyone that budgeted expectations include beginning the next fiscal year with \$150,000 less in available cash than the current year.

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Stone seconded a motion to approve Consent Agenda with corrections to the minutes.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Trustees Stone, Barzso, Lanning and Reiter

Nays: None

Absent: Trustees Corson and Siewierski

4-yea; 0-nay; 2-absent; motion carried

Mayor Seyller asked about the possibility of holding a TIF workshop in December. Options would be to hold a separate meeting or meet early before the regular scheduled meeting on December 13.

Approve 2010 Traffic Schedule Amendment

Mr. Magdziarz presented the Traffic Schedule Amendment recommended by Town Staff, explaining that the recent completion of streets in Robinson Farm and Chestnut Grove subdivisions and the imminent acceptance of these streets is one reason for the recommended changes. In the case of Maple Avenue, the relocation of the elementary school is the reason for the changes. Additionally, there are several sign

locations that do not satisfy the warrants for posting any traffic sign and we're attempting to be compliant with the standards for posting traffic control signs.

Trustees asked about various changes to the traffic schedule and the placement of stop signs at Maple and Llanos and whether or not stop signs are necessary there.

Trustee Reiter said that if these are the changes staff recommends then he will move to approve the schedule, Trustee Barzso seconded a motion to approve the 2010 Traffic Schedule Amendment. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

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Preparation of Tax Levy

Mr. Magdziarz explained that the Town Board can avoid the need to hold a public hearing for the tax levy by directing the Treasurer to prepare the Tax Levy within standard levy guidelines, i.e. not exceeding the 5%.

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Reiter seconded a motion direct the Treasurer to prepare the Tax Levy.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Trustees Lanning, Barzso, Stone and Reiter
Nays: None
Absent: Trustees Corson and Siewierski
4-yea; 0-nay; 2-absent; motion carried

Approve an Ordinance for the Submission of the Proposition of a Public Question regarding a Sales Tax Referendum to the Voters of the Town of Cortland at the Consolidated Election to be held on April 22, 2010.

Mr. Magdziarz presented the referendum question explaining that Trustee Lanning has asked that the Board consider approving this ordinance tonight, subject to attorney review, as the window of opportunity is closing as it needs to be certified and submitted to the County Clerk in January. This referendum would impose a sales tax of 1% on: (1) all persons engaged in the business of retail sales of tangible personal property; and (2) all persons engaged in the business of making sales of service.

Trustee Barzso suggested an informational letter be sent to residents explaining the Sales Tax Referendum.

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Reiter seconded a motion to waive the first reading. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Barzso seconded a motion to Approve an Ordinance for the Submission of the Proposition of a Public Question regarding a Sales Tax Referendum to the Voters of the Town of Cortland at the Consolidated Election to be held on April 22, 2010.

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Roll call vote:

Ayes: Trustees Lanning, Barzso, Stone and Reiter
Nays: None
Absent: Trustees Corson and Siewierski
4-yea; 0-nay; 2-absent; motion carried

Liaison Reports

Festival and Parade: Trustee Stone stated that Festival and Parade Committee will hold a final meeting.

Planning Commission: Next meeting date is December 6, 2010.

President's Report

Mayor Seyller attended an appeal hearing today for the Waste Management proposed expansion. This was a hearing between Waste Management, the DeKalb County Board and a local anti-landfill expansion group.

Mayor Seyller asked for a consensus on having an appreciation dinner this year. The consensus of the board was to not have an appreciation dinner.

Trustee Stone made a motion adjourn to Closed Session to discuss Pending, Probable, or Imminent Litigation (Exception to Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11)) to Include the Full Board, the Mayor, the Deputy Clerk, the Town Administrator.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Trustees, Barzso, Stone, Reiter and Lanning

Nays: None

Absent: Trustees Corson and Siewierski

4-yea; 0-nay; 2-absent; motion carried

Meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 7:33 p.m.

Reconvene

Trustee Stone moved and Trustee Barzso seconded a motion to reconvene to Town Board meeting.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Trustees Barzso, Lanning, Stone and Reiter

Nays: None

Absent: Trustees Corson and Siewierski

4-yea; 0-nay; 2-absent; motion carried

Meeting reconvened at 8:07 p.m.

After reconvening from executive session, Mr. Magdziarz reminded Board members that he sent an e-mail proposing the TIF workshop at 6:00 p.m. and the regular Board meeting at 7:00 p.m. on December 13 and was in need of a consensus from the Board.

Consensus of the Board was to hold the TIF workshop at 6:00 p.m. with the regular Board meeting at 7:00 p.m. on December 13.

Adjournment

Trustee Stone moved and Trustee Barzso seconded a motion for adjournment. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Rita Nielsen
Deputy Clerk