

TOWN OF CORTLAND
Town Hall
59 S. Somonauk Road
Cortland, IL 60112
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Business Meeting
October 25, 2010
7:00 P.M.

Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance / Roll Call

Mayor Robert Seyller called the regular meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Roll call taken by Deputy Clerk Rita Nielsen. Showed as present Trustees Brad Stone, Randy Reiter, Doug Corson, Sandra Barzso, and Chuck Lanning (arrived at 7:21 p.m.). Trustee Mike Siewierski was absent. Quorum was present. Also present were Town Administrator Walter Magdziarz and Town Clerk Cheryl Aldis.

Agenda

Trustee Stone moved and Trustee Corson seconded a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Presentation of the 2010 DeLaine Mullis Award

Mayor Seyller presented the DeLaine Mullis Outstanding Citizenship Award to All Past and Present Members of the Cortland Community Firemen's Association. The Award was accepted by Fire Chief Trent Moser. This award is presented to acknowledge the heroism sacrifices and dedication of all the men and women who volunteer their time to serve and protect the residents of our community. In the world we live, it's not an easy task to find such wonderful people who volunteer to and unselfishly risk their lives for the safety of others. Since 1947 the Association's continued efforts to update and modernize its training and equipment to be less dependent on other departments and to keep our residents safe has not gone unnoticed or unappreciated.

Mrs. DeLaine Mullis and her daughter Sandy Mullis Roloff were in the audience as well as many current and past firemen.

Public Wishing to Speak

Ms. Laura Robinson of 190 S. Joslyn asked why Cortland cannot have a Neighborhood Watch Program. Trustee Reiter said that in the past interested parties could not get enough participation. Ms. Robinson said that she had talked to Chief Stokes about this in the past and she had 125 signatures on a petition. Mayor Seyller said he was in favor of it and she could make contact with Chief Medema.

Consent Agenda

Deputy Clerk read the Consent Agenda.

Approve Town Board Minutes of September 27, and October 11, 2010

Approved: November 22, 2010

Attest: *Ch, TC*

Approve Treasurer's Report for September 2010
Approve Expenditure Report for September 2010
Accept Festival & Parade Committee Minutes of September 14 and October 5, 2010
Waive the First Reading of an Ordinance Establishing the Robinson Farm Business Development District and approve same. **ORD. NO. 2010-14**

Trustee Reiter moved and Trustee Corson seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Trustee Barzso said she would like to address the minutes of October 11.

After discussion and clarification by Trustee Reiter the Comments and Concerns section of October 11 minutes will be amended to read: Trustee Reiter [referring to road work proposals] stated that he believes staff needs to do a better job of due diligence in being prepared.

Mr. Magdziarz said that moving forward, bid analysis will be prepared for the board by the Department Head to provide a recommendation.

After clarification by Trustee Barzso the Comments and Concerns section of October 11 will be amended to read: Trustee Barzso would like to be able to have more time to review the minutes, and asked if a draft could be available earlier for review.

Trustee Lanning arrived at 7:21 p.m.

Trustee Reiter moved and Trustee Corson seconded a motion to amend the motion to approve Consent Agenda with amendments to the October 11 minutes.

Roll call vote:

Yeas: Trustees Reiter, Corson, Barzso, Lanning and Stone

Nays: None

Absent: Trustee Siewierski

5-yea; 0-nay; 1-absent motion carried.

New Business

Approve Payment to Aurora Blacktop, Inc. for 2010 MFT Project Work in the amount of \$41,834.68; Authorize and Direct Mayor to Execute Required Forms

Mr. Magdziarz presented the payout. All work has been completed and engineers have signed off on this project.

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Corson seconded a motion to approve payment to Aurora Blacktop, Inc. for 2010 Project Work in the amount of \$41,834.68 and Authorize Mayor to execute required forms.

Roll call vote:

Yeas: Trustees Corson, Reiter, Stone, Barzso and Lanning

Nays: None

Absent: Trustee Siewierski

Approved: November 22, 2010

Attest: *Clay, Jr*

5-yea; 0-nay; 1-absent motion carried.

Approve a Pay Request by G's R Plumbing for \$61,402.00 for the Radium Removal System Assembly at the Water Tower

Mr. Magdziarz presented payout. This pay request was submitted July 29, 2010 for work completed before the malfunction.

Roll call vote:

Yeas: Trustees Corson, Reiter, Stone, Barzso and Lanning

Nays: None

Absent: Trustee Siewierski

5-yea; 0-nay; 1-absent motion carried.

Liaison Report

Festival and Parade

Trustee Stone reported that there is a \$1,540 balance in the account at DeKalb County Community Foundation. There is going to be a "wrap up" meeting. Mayor Seyller said Chief Medema might want to attend and to please notify him when they have a date and time. It was also suggested that it could be beneficial if Operation and Maintenance also attended.

Police

Trustee Reiter will talk with Chief Medema regarding a Neighborhood Watch Program.

Sewer/Water/Utilities

Trustee Stone said he talked with Superintendent Summerhill and the ponds are down to 15 feet and the water tower is fully functional.

The next Planning Commission meeting will be held on November 1. Mr. Magdziarz said the Planning Commission will be looking at zoning ordinance amendments.

President's Report

Mayor Seyller thanked the Festival and Parade Committee for another successful Festival and Parade day. He also thanked Town staff for helping to make it all come together. All paving projects are finished. The newsletter will be mailed out the end of the month and he asked to remind everyone not to rake their leaves to the curb.

Concerns/Comments

Trustee Lanning had concerns regarding public response to lawsuit.

Trustee Barzso had concerns regarding handicapped accessible sidewalk ramp at the end of South West Street and vehicles in driveway blocking sidewalks. Mr. Magdziarz noted that ADA ramps will be installed where the curbs were cut.

Trustee Stone asked if anything can be done regarding the gravel on Elm Street. Mr. Magdziarz will look into this and report back. Regarding the parade, Trustee Stone said he heard that a

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Attest: *Clayton*

child ran into the street in front of a horse to pick-up candy. He checked with the horse riding parade participants and was not able to substantiate this. He said there are requests that could be made of participants to make sure candy gets closer to the curb. He would like future discussion regarding candy so as not to have a "knee jerk" reaction.

Trustee Reiter has concerns regarding weed control issues. He asked what the status was on the Linda Lane property. Mr. Magdziarz responded that the portable trailer has been removed, there has been some reduction to material in the yard and he is waiting for the Town Prosecutor to prepare a complaint for a judge to obtain an order to cease and desist.

Trustee Corson will check with the owner of the property to see if he can help remove items from yard.

Adjournment

Trustee Reiter moved and Trustee Lanning seconded a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Rita Nielsen
Deputy Clerk