

TOWN OF CORTLAND

Town Hall
59 S. Somonauk Rd.
Cortland IL. 601120

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Business Meeting

7:00 P.M.
June 22, 2009

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call

Mayor Seyller called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Roll call was taken by Deputy Clerk Rita Nielsen. Shown as present were Mayor Seyller, Trustees Doug Corson, Brad Stone, Mike Siewierski, Chuck Lanning and Sandra Barzso. Quorum was present. Other officials present: Clerk Cheryl Aldis, Treasurer Susan Dockus, Attorney Parker Johnson, Director Operation and Maintenance John Kocher, Engineer Noah Carmichael, Police Chief Russell Stokes and Zoning Administrator Walter Magdziarz.

Agenda

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Corson seconded a motion to approve agenda. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Consent Agenda

Deputy Clerk Rita Nielsen read the consent agenda.

- Approve Town Board minutes May 11 and June 8
- Accept Cortland Community Library minutes for March 18 and April 15
- Accept Cortland Community Library 2008-2009 Annual Report
- Accept Cortland Community Library Budget Report for April
- Accept Festival and Parade Minutes of April 21
- Approve 2009 Traffic Schedules/Placement of Signs **M-2009-03**
- Accept PC Recommendation 2009-2 (Green Amendments)
- Waive the first reading of and approve An Ordinance Amending Title 9 (Zoning Ordinance) of the Cortland Town Code ("Green Amendment") **ORD 2009-04**
- WRT Pay Request for \$254,160 from SSA Funds

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Siewierski seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Roll call:

Ayes: Trustees Stone, Siewierski, Lanning, Corson and Barzso

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Staff Reports

Attorney's Report

Attorney Johnson was present and read his report.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Carmichael was present and reviewed his report.

Wastewater Report

Mr. Summerhill was on vacation.

Operation and Maintenance

Mr. Kocher was present and reviewed his report

Zoning Administrator

Mr. Magdziarz was present and reviewed his report.

Building Report

Report was in packet for review.

Police Report

Chief Stokes was present and reviewed his reports for April and May.

Liaison Reports

Administration

Trustee Siewierski would like to bring the Town's Vacation Policy to Committee of the Whole at the July meeting.

Finance

Trustee Barzso is working on gathering information regarding financing and loan options for the WRT system. She will meet with Mayor Seyller and Mrs. Dockus and bring recommendation to Committee of the Whole at the July 13, meeting.

Operation and Maintenance

Public works building: Mr. Kocher had preliminary layout plans to present information to the Board regarding putting a public works/police department building on North Ave. Mr. Kocher estimated that the cost of a building would be approximately \$750,000 with an additional \$100,000 for a detention pond that is required due to Town Code. There was discussion regarding water and sewer options for this location as well as future expansion possibilities. Mr. Kocher and Chief Stokes explained how they could share the garage portion of the building for equipment and squad cars with the police department having an office in the building which would save money on rent. There was further discussion on how the town would pay for this building.

Mayor Seyller asked for a consensus of the board as to whether or not to move forward with this plan and to look at the Town's options. The consensus of the board was to continue.

Festival and Parade:

Trustee Stone reported that Movie Night was a great success with approximately 120 people present. He thanked the DeKalb School District for its cooperation and having the grounds and building ready for them. Before the movie started the committee was able to run continuous advertisements of their sponsors on the screen as a thank you. Mayor Seyller was present at this event and was pleased at how well attended the event was.

Next meeting date for Festival and Parade Committee is July 21.

Ordinance Committee

Trustee Corson will be working with staff regarding several ordinances that need revision.

Planning Commission

Next meeting is August 3.

Airport Advisory

Trustee Lanning reported that the airport is looking to purchase a piece of property at the corner of Barber Green and Loves Rd. He also reported that Corn Fest will be held at the airport.

Facility Planning Board

Trustee Barzso reported that she, Trustee Lanning and Clerk Aldis toured the Cortland Elementary School with the idea that some of the building could be used for a possible community center. Trustee Lanning reported that he has spoken with library personnel regarding possible use of part of the building. Mr. Lanning reported that Library Director Mrs. Coward and the library board will be discussing options at their next meeting.

It was the consensus of the board that a letter is sent to the DeKalb School District expressing possible interest in renting portions of the building.

New Business

Finding and Facts – Sam’s Family Restaurant Variance

Attorney Johnson reported on the Findings of Fact and Recommendation Regarding an Application for Side-Yard Setback and Parking Variations for Property Commonly Known as 11 West North Avenue within the Town of Cortland.

Attorney Johnson recommended accepting Findings of Fact with the correction of scrivener's errors where anytime side yard appears it will be changed to corner side yard. Attorney Johnson also noted that it was Lazam Elmazi who testified not Sam.

Trustee Siewierski moved and Trustee Stone seconded a motion to accept Findings of Fact as amended. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

An Ordinance Granting a Variation – Sam’s Family Restaurant

Attorney Johnson presented this Ordinance as amended to say corner side yard.

Trustee Stone asked about restaurant neighbor's drainage issues. Attorney Johnson stated that drainage issues were beyond the scope of a variation hearing.

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Corson seconded a motion to waive the first reading of An Ordinance Granting a Variation – Sam’s Family Restaurant. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Trustee Barzso moved and Trustee Lanning seconded a motion to approve as amended An Ordinance Granting a Variation – Sam’s Family Restaurant.

Roll call:

Ayes: Trustees Stone, Siewierski, Lanning, Corson and Barzso

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried. **ORD 2009-05**

An Ordinance Adopting Prevailing Wage (2009)

Trustee Siewierski moved to waive the first reading. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Trustee Siewierski moved and Trustee Corson seconded a motion to approve An Ordinance Adopting Prevailing Wages.

Roll call:

Ayes: Trustees Stone, Siewierski, Lanning, Corson and Barzso

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried. **ORD 2009-06**

Discussion and Approval of Recommendation for Health Insurance

Trustee Siewierski moved and Trustee Barzso seconded a motion to approve Humana Health Care as the Town's health insurance provider.

Roll call:

Ayes: Trustees Stone, Siewierski, Lanning, Corson and Barzso

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Lions Club 2009 Shelter House Agreement

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Stone seconded a motion to accept the 2009 Lions Club Shelter House Agreement with forgiveness to the February date as a renewal deadline for 2009. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

2009 MFT

Mr. Carmichael presented a MFT proposal (approximately \$92,000 project) for Maintenance Engineering to be Performed by a Consulting Engineer.

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Corson seconded a motion for authorizing the Mayor to execute required documents.

Roll call:

Ayes: Trustees, Corson, Siewierski, Stone, Lanning, and Barzso

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

2009 MFT Resolution

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Siewierski seconded a motion to approve a Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways appropriated sum of \$92,000 for FY09-10.

Roll call:

Ayes: Trustees Stone, Barzso, Lanning, Corson and Siewierski

Nays: None

Absent: None

RES 2009-04

Cortland Portion of Cambridge Homes Irrigation Line Upgrade

Mr. Carmichael reported that the upsizing from 10" to 12" pipe extension from Cambridge Homes will be \$30.00 per foot for approximately \$38,000 to \$40,000.

Trustee Siewierski moved and Trustee Lanning seconded a motion to approve expenditures for irrigation upgrade.

Roll call:

Ayes: Trustees Stone, Barzso, Lanning, Corson and Siewierski

Nays: None

Absent: None

President's Report

Mayor Seyller thanked the Festival and Parade Committee for a great Cortland movie night. Mayor Seyller also wanted to make mention that he is very pleased that the Town passed a "green" ordinance. He reported that he is working with Waste Management and hopes to have an agreement sometime in September or October. The Cortland Community Library is celebrating its 25th anniversary on July 3 with a fun day of activities planned at Cortland Community Park. NIMA will be meeting on July 16 if anyone would like to attend. [Mayor Seyller is to be appointed President of NIMA at that meeting.] The Town Hall will be closed on July 3 for the July 4 holiday. Mayor Seyller announced that he will be taking applications for the Trustee vacancy of Mr. Ben Suppeland.

Adjournment

Trustee Stone moved and Trustee Corson seconded a motion to adjourn. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion. Meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Rita Nielsen
Deputy Clerk