

Town of Cortland
Town Hall
59 S. Somonauk Road
Cortland, IL 60112
Board of Trustees
June 14, 2010
Closed Session

Call the meeting to order

Mayor Seyller called the closed session to order at 9:15 p.m. stating that the purpose of the closed session was to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body (Exception to Open Meetings Act 5, ILCS 120/2(c)(1) to include the full board, Mayor, Town Clerk, Deputy Clerk, Town Treasurer, Town Attorney and Chief Russ Stokes when called to attend.

Roll Call

Present were Mayor Seyller, Trustees Sandra Barzso, Brad Stone, Chuck Lanning and Randy Reiter (Trustees Doug Corson, Mike Siewierski were absent) Also present were Town Administrator Walter Magdziarz, Clerk Cheryl Aldis, Deputy Clerk Rita Nielsen, Treasurer Mike Lamz and Attorney Parker Johnson.

Purpose

Mr. Magdziarz started the meeting stating that he was given direction from the Town Board to cut \$100,000 from the Police Department budget. The chief has responded with 3 proposals.

The three proposals were reviewed and discussed.

#1 – total cost savings to town is \$87,825; #2 total cost savings to town is \$109,375 and #3 total cost savings to town is \$113,389. Each proposal cut full-time staff and part-time hours.

Mr. Reiter did not see proposal number 3 as a viable option and recommended removing it.

Option 1 and 2 were discussed at length.

Chief Stokes was invited to speak to the Board at 9:53 p.m.

Chief Stokes explained that his plan for proposal #1 would mean that he would retire, allowing Sgt. Madema and both full-time officers to stay on with Sgt. Madema being promoted to chief. Chief Stokes offered his resignation time for October 1. This would allow him to get his personal business in order and prepare the police department for his retirement. He would like to continue employment with the police department as a part-time officer.

Chief Stokes left the meeting at 10:19

Consensus was to start with proposal #1 and accept Chief Stokes resignation on Oct 1.

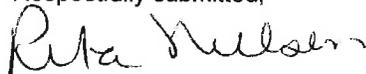
Adjournment

Trustee Reiter moved and Trustee Barzso seconded a motion to adjourn.

Roll call: Trustee Barzso, Lanning, Reiter and Stone all voting yea; motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Rita Nielsen
Deputy Clerk