

TOWN OF CORTLAND
Town Hall
59 S. Somonauk Road
Cortland, IL 60112

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Town Board Meeting
Tuesday,
April 11, 2016
7:00 P.M.

Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance/ Roll Call

Mayor Stokes called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken by Deputy Clerk Rita Nielsen. Shown as present were Mayor Russ Stokes, Trustees Charmaine Fioretto, Mike Siewierski, Ben Haier, Brad Stone and Chuck Lanning. Trustee Doug Corson was absent. A quorum was present. Also present were Town Clerk Cheryl Aldis, Director Joel Summerhill, Director John Kocher, Police Chief Dargis, Bookkeepers' Wes Levy and Jennifer Yaggie and Attorney Kevin Buick.

Approval of Agenda

Trustee Siewierski moved and Trustee Stone seconded a motion to approve the agenda.

Public Wishing to Speak

There was no one wishing to speak.

Public Hearing FY17 Town of Cortland and Cortland Community Library Budgets

Mayor Stokes called the public hearing to order at 7:01 p.m.

Deputy Clerk Nielsen read the public notice into the record.

Mayor Stokes asked if anyone wished to speak.

There was no one present who wished to speak.

Mayor Stokes closed the public hearing at 7:03 p.m.

Consent Agenda

Deputy Clerk Nielsen read the consent agenda.

Approve An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Personal Property (Firearms) **Ord. 2016-01**

Approve An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Personal Property (1995 Pick Up Truck) **Ord. 2016-02**

Approve An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Personal Property (2009 Crown Vic) **Ord. 2016-03**

Trustee Siewierski moved and Trustee Fioretto seconded the motion to approve consent agenda.

Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

Unfinished Business-Discussion and Possible Action

Approve FY16 Budget Amendments

Bookkeeper Levy was present to answer any questions regarding budget amendments.

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Haier seconded a motion to approve Fy16 budget amendments.

Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

Approve FY17 Budget for Town and Library

Mr. Levy, Department Heads Kocher and Summerhill and Chief Dargis were available to answer questions.

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Haier seconded a motion to approve FY17 budget for Town and Library.

Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

Library Director Coward spoke at this time stating that the library is stretching every dollar to keep the library open as many hours as they do. All state grants have dried up so they are no longer able to pay for special programs.

New Business

DeKalb Sycamore Area Transportation Study (DSATS)

Mayor Stokes stated that he does not believe that DSATS has been serving Cortland or has Cortland's interests its future planning. We have been a paying membership of DSATS and sending a representative to meetings for years and never seen any benefit to the Town. Mayor Stokes has asked Attorney Buick to prepare a letter to withdraw membership which requires a 60 day notice.

Authorize Mayor to Sign Letter to Withdraw Membership with DSATS

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Siewierski seconded a motion to authorize Mayor Stokes to sign a letter to withdraw from DSATS membership. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

IDOT MFT Compliance Review #60 for calendar year 2015

The 2015 IDOT Compliance Review #60 was in the board packet for review as required by law. Mr. Levy stated that the review was completed about 3 weeks ago and there were no findings. No action is necessary.

Comments and Concern

Mayor Stokes reported that the newsletter has been sent to the printer and could be ready for mailing on Friday. Several questions that were asked are being addressed in the newsletter.

Trustee Stone reported on Parade and Festival Committee plans.

Trustee Haier asked about the sign for Cortland Cottages on Somonauk Rd. Mayor Stokes said that the land owner will be contacted and asked to remove the sign.

Clerk Aldis reported that Saturday, April 16 is N.I.U. Care's Day and volunteers will be helping with cemetery clean up.

Adjournment

Trustee Siewierski moved and Trustee Lanning seconded a motion to adjourn. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Nielsen
Deputy Clerk