

**TOWN OF CORTLAND  
Town Hall  
59 S. Somonauk Road  
Cortland, IL 60112  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Town Board Meeting  
Monday  
July 25, 2016**

**Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance / Roll Call**

Mayor Stokes called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7 p.m. Roll call by Clerk Aldis showed as present Mayor Stokes, Trustees, Lanning, Stone, Siewierski, Haier and Fioretto. Shown as absent was Trustee Corson. Also shown as present were Water-Wastewater Director Joel Summerhill, Public Works Director John Kocher, Police Chief Lin Dargis, Engineer Brandy Williams, Town Clerk Cheryl Aldis, and Office Clerk Julie Abraham.

**Approval of Agenda**

Mayor Stokes suggested moving the department reports below Persons Wishing to Speak. Trustee Siewierski moved to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Trustee Haier. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

**Public Wishing to Speak**

There was no one present.

**Department Reports in packet for review and discussion**

Water/Wastewater, Public Works and Police Department

Director Summerhill was present for questions. He was asked about the large amount of water pumped from well #3. He explained that well #4 has been out of service while the media is being changed. This is a normal process for the department.

Chief Dargis reported that Patrick Treacy has tentatively accepted the Commander position. They will be meeting soon to review required paperwork. Chief Dargis reported that he had submitted a grant application in an attempt to obtain AED's for the department squads. He has been informed that the grant was approved and, therefore, will have two additional AED's above the budgeted amount.

Director Kocher reported the department is working on the cemetery the early part of this week. Prepping for the Festival has begun.

Engineer Brandy Williams reported that there are three projects underway. They are Cortland Center Road, Elm Avenue storm sewer and the MFT projects for approval this evening. Mayor Stokes reiterated that notification letters are to be sent to residents/businesses on Elm Avenue so they can make appropriate alternates for travel.

The Cortland Center Road project will have curb and gutter constructed on the south side from Loves Road to just east of Aspen Drive, curb and gutter will be constructed on the north side from the existing terminus to

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just east of Aspen Drive, sidewalk will be extended on the north to Aspen Drive with storm sewer being installed in that same area. Where no development currently exists the area will be kept as rural construction.

### **Consent Agenda**

Clerk Aldis read the consent agenda items into the record. They were: Approve Town Board Minutes for June 27 and July 11, 2016, Accept Expenditure Reports and Approve Treasurer Reports for April and May, 2016, and Accept Festival and Parade Minutes of June 1 and June 29, 2016.

Trustee Lanning moved to approve the consent agenda as read, seconded by Trustee Haier. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

### **New Business for Discussion and Possible Action**

**Accept Bid Tabulations for FY17 MFT projects and approve the engineer's recommendation pursuant to a bid opening July 19, 2016. Fehr-Graham recommends the low bidder, Peter Baker & Sons Co., \$86,995.80 be accepted and the project advanced.**

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Haier seconded a motion to accept the bid tabulations for FY17 MFT projects and to approve the Engineer's recommendation of Peter Baker & Sons Co, low bidder, in the amount of \$86,995.80 pursuant to a bid opening on July, 19, 2016. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion. Engineer Williams reported that this project encompasses resurfacing of Mary Aldis Lane, binder and surface of Elm Avenue, and mill and overlay surface of Barber Greene Road east of Somonauk Road to the church area.

**Approve expenditure for insulation of Town Hall building - monies to be taken from Capital Improvement Fund, Town Hall Improvements line 03-6500-821; not to exceed \$3,239.00**

Trustee Siewierski moved and Trustee Lanning seconded a motion to approve the expenditure not to exceed \$3,239.00 for insulation of the town hall building. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

Director Kocher requested this expenditure after learning that the building has no outside wall insulation. As the building is due to be resided soon it was determined this would be the appropriate time for this task. The contractor is Lee Insulation, Inc. of Lee, IL.

**Ratify the expenditure for the purchase of a 2017 Ford Police Utility Vehicle in the amount of \$34,607.10 to Gjovik Ford, Inc. as approved through the FY17 Budget**

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Siewierski seconded a motion to ratify the expenditure for the purchase of a 2017 Ford Police Utility Vehicle in the amount of \$34,607.10 to Gjovik Ford, Inc. as approved through the FY17 Budget. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

### **Discussion – review of building permit fees**

Julie Abraham, in her role as permit clerk, developed the comparisons presented for Board review. She was present for Board questions. There was discussion regarding whether the Board felt there was a need to increase fees. Overall the proposal was not received favorably by the Board. ICCI will be invited to the August 8, 2016 for further discussion and Board decision on the proposed building permit fee increases.

### **Comments/Concerns**

Trustee Fioretto asked if there had been any further conversation regarding DC Trash moving to town, Mayor Stokes responded with "yes, meetings have been held; there is progress toward purchase and development."

Trustee Siewierski reported Mediacom issues have arisen. He stated the service has been intermittent. It appears that it may be a Mediacom system issue as there are several residents with the same issues. The

Mediacom government representative has been contacted. He also stated he has received calls regarding properties on the market for tax sale. Mr. Siewierski was asking about the underlying SSA's. Mr. Siewierski was informed that persons asking those questions at Town Hall have been advised to seek research from their own attorney's as this is a complicated issue.

Trustee Lanning asked if the Town knew of any sales activity on Griner's building which is for sale. Mayor stated "not at this time".

**President Report**

Mayor Stokes had nothing further to report.

**Adjournment**

Trustee Stone moved and Trustee Siewierski seconded a motion to adjourn. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Cheryl Aldis  
Town Clerk