TOWN OF CORTLAND
Town Hall
59 S. Somonauk Road
Cortland, IL 60112
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Town Board Meeting
June 22, 2015
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 Brad Stone, Charmaine Fioretto, and Chuck Lanning. Trustees Ben Haier, Mike Siewierski, and Doug Corson were absent. With the Mayor, a quorum was present. Also present were Town Clerk Cheryl Aldis, Public Works Director John Kocher, Police Chief Gary Spangler, and Sgt. Lin Dargis.

Approval of Agenda
Trustee Fioretto moved and Trustee Lanning seconded a motion to approve the agenda. Unanimous voice carried the motion.

Public Wishing to Speak
There was no one wishing to speak.

Consent Agenda
Deputy Clerk Nielsen read the consent agenda into the record.

Approve Town Board Minutes for April 27, May 11, and June 8, 2015
Accept Minutes for Festival & Parade Committee April 14, and May 12, 2015
Approve Treasurer and Expenditure Reports for April, 2015

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Stone seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion (with Mayor voting.)

New Business
Approve Purchase of Used Spartan Leaf Pro
Director Kocher was available to answer questions regarding the machine. He reported that this was a demo that was in use by another municipality while they were waiting for their new model to arrive.

Trustee Lanning moved to purchase the Spartan Leaf Pro from Bonnell Industries from the Capital Improvement Fund in the amount of $52,788. Trustee Lanning seconded the motion. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion (with Mayor voting.)

Trustee Stone made a motion to amend the agenda to move Department Report's before Unfinished Business on the agenda. Trustee Lanning seconded the motion. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Department Reports
Engineering Report and Water/Wastewater report was in packet for trustees review.

Director Kocher was available to answer any questions.

Chief Spangler introduced Sgt. Lin Dargis. Sgt. Dargis comes to Cortland from St. Charles Police Department where he has been a Patrol Sergeant since 2000. Sgt. Dargis comes to Cortland after serving in the St. Charles Police Department for 28 years. Sgt. Dargis has experience in many specialized areas as well as Patrol Sergeant and Detective.

Unfinished Business
Discussion Regarding Residential Trash Collection
Trustee Stone stated that he thought the Rock Falls ordinance on trash collection was one to review when the time comes. Trustee Fioretto agreed.

Mayor Stokes stated that the Town's ordinance was adopted in 1963, so we may need to look at adopting a new ordinance.

Mayor Stokes said that he is looking into licensing businesses also. Clerk receives a report from Dept. of Revenue, so tracking businesses should not be a problem. The purpose of a business license is to have an accounting of businesses moving in and out of Cortland. A business license would have key holder and contact information if there is a problem after hours. This could include home based businesses as well.

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Fioretto seconded a motion to postpone discussion until next meeting. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Comments/Concerns
Trustee Fioretto asked about mowing in front of Heatherfield. Mayor Stokes explained that as long as the weeds are knocked down it is within the code.

Trustee Stone said there is a Festival and Parade Committee meeting coming up. He does have information for the TULIP insurance that he is passing on to bands.

Trustee Lanning talked about the plans for the Veterans Memorial dedication to be held on Aug 1.

President's Report
Mayor Stokes read a thank you he received regarding Chief Spangler's exemplary service and leadership while he was working on a burglary and recovering stolen property.

Mayor Stokes read a letter of appreciation from the City of Genoa for the Town's support of a letter to Governor Rauner regarding Amtrak.

Mayor Stokes read a letter from the Sycamore Police Department thanking the Town for Officer Busby's participation in the 2015 DeKalb County Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Service.

Mayor Stokes met with Cady Aqua Store, Inc. to accept a donation on their behalf for the Town's Veterans Memorial. This was their way of thanking the Town's Water Department for its hospitality each and every year by conducting a tour of the of the Town's Composite Elevated Tank site.

Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. on a motion by Trustee Lanning and a second by Trustee Stone. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Nielsen
Deputy Clerk

Approved: _____
Attest: _____