TOWN OF CORTLAND
Town Hall
59 S. Somonauk Road
Cortland, IL 60112
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Town Board Meeting
July 27, 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, Mike Siewierski, and Chuck Lanning. Trustee Ben Haier was absent. Trustee Doug Corson was absent for roll call and arrived at 7:54 while Board was in Executive Session. Also present were Town Clerk Cheryl Aldis, Public Works Director John Kocher, Police Chief Gary Spangler, Water/Wastewater Director Joel Summerhill, and attorneys Kevin Buick and Adam Simon.

Approval of Agenda
Mayor Stokes asked that the agenda be amended to allow for department heads to go first, followed by Consent Agenda, MFT, and then Executive Session. Discussion regarding residential trash pick-up will be removed from agenda until next meeting. Trustee Siewierski moved and Trustee Stone seconded a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Unanimous voice carried the motion.

Department Reports
Department heads were available to answer questions. Mr. Summerhill reported that he is getting ready to start irrigating. Clerk Aldis remarked that the Town's Risk Management Rep. was in Town on a day when Public Works was striping roads and Police were directing traffic. He was pleased to see all appropriate safety gear was in use. Chief Spangler asked if anyone had questions for him. All department heads were excused at this time.

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 June 22, May 11, and July 13, 2015
Accept Minutes for Festival & Parade Committee June 9, and July 7, 2015
Approve Treasurer and Expenditure Reports for June, 2015

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Stone seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

New Business
Approve FY16 MFT Project Recommendation
Mayor Stokes explained that the two bids received for FY16 MFT work were higher than the approved IDOT estimate of $116,418. Staff asked that the scope of work be reduced by eliminating the proposed concrete work and pavement patching along Somonauk.

Trustee Siewierski moved and Trustee Lanning seconded a motion to approve MFT project for $72,375 with work to be done by Builders Pavers, LLC dba Hardin Paving. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

Executive Session
A motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss Pending, Probable, or Imminent Litigation (Exception to Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11)) and to discuss Purchase or Lease of Property for the Use of the Public Body (Exception to Open Meetings Act, 5 ILC 120/2 (c) (5) was made by Trustee Siewierski and

seconded by Trustee Stone. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion. Meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 7:12 p.m.

Reconvene
The regular meeting was reconvened by a unanimous roll call vote at 8:26 p.m. Trustee Corson was present for roll call as he arrived during Executive Session at 7:54.

Comments/Concerns
Trustees Fioretto and Trustee Siewierksi commented on weed control. Trustee Stone asked Mayor Stokes if he would contact Malta and ask if the Parade & Festival Committee could borrow light towers for Summer Fest. Mayor Stokes will follow up. Trustee Stone also asked about payment for the bands if the bands are cancelled due to weather. Mayor Stokes stated this would be a discussion that the Parade & Festival Committee will need to address. Trustee Lanning reported on the progress of the Veteran's Memorial Dedication. Trustee Lanning stated that there was some controversy over flying flags at half-staff when there was a presidential order last week. Mayor Stokes instructed the Clerk's Office to get signed-up for an email notification so staff can be contacted when flags are to be flown half-staff. He also commented that he will be meeting with Engineer Williams and Director Kocher to discuss Elm Street.

Special Meeting
After discussion regarding availability of Trustees to attend a Special Meeting, Mayor Stokes asked for a Special Meeting for Thursday, July 30 at 7:30 p.m.

President's Report
Mayor Stokes recognized a donation to the Veteran's Memorial Dedication from CST Storage in the amount of $500.00. This donation was a thank you for Director Summerhill and his staff taking the time every year to allow for tours of Town's Aquastore water tank. Mayor Stokes reported that he had attended a meeting with DeKalb County Chairman Pietrowski regarding the possibility of Metra extension going west. Mayor Stokes stated that even with best efforts this could be 10 or more years out.

Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m. on a motion by Trustee Stone and a second by Trustee Corson. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Nielsen
Deputy Clerk

Approved: _____
Attest: _____