TOWN OF CORTLAND
Town Hall
59 S. Somonauk Road
Cortland, IL 60112
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Town Board Meeting
January 26, 2015
7:00 P.M.

Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance/ Roll Call
Mayor Stokes called the regular meeting to order at 7:08 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 Susan Dockus, Mike Siewierski, Ben Haier, Chuck Lanning, and Doug Corson. Trustee Stone was absent. A quorum was present. Also present were Town Clerk Cheryl Aldis, Engineer Brandy Williams, Water-Wastewater Superintendent Joel Summerhill, Public Works Director John Kocher, Police Chief Gary Spangler, and Attorney Kevin Buick.

Approval of Agenda
Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Siewierski 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.

a. Approve Town Board Minutes of December 8 and 22, 2014 and January 12, 2015
b. Approve December 2014 Expenditure and December 2014 Treasurer's Report

Trustee Dockus moved to approve Consent Agenda with removing item b. Trustee Lanning seconded the motion. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

Trustee Dockus stated that she has questions that she has emailed to Wes Levy at Lauterbach and Amen. The December reports will be brought back for approval.

Unfinished Business
Approve An Ordinance Amending the Cortland Town Code Title 1, Section 1-8 Title 7, Article 7-3B and Title 10, Section 10-4 All Relating to Water
Trustee Lanning moved to approve the amendment with a second from Trustee Corson. Trustee Dockus asked that the motion be amended to allow for a scriveners error using the term Water-Wastewater Department in lieu of Water Department. **ORD. NO. 2015-01**

Trustee Lanning moved to amend his motion to include scrivener's error correction. Trustee Corson seconded the motion. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

Approve an Ordinance Amendment – Title 7, Article 2 of the Cortland Town Code; Cortland Park System
Trustee Dockus moved to approve the Amendment with changing Q 1a. To read "engaged in an **approved** event." Trustee Siewierski seconded the motion. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.
ORD. NO 2015-02

New Business
Approve Agreement for Services Between the Town and Lauterbach and Amen
This agreement effective for the period of May 1, 2015 through April 20, 2018 and will not exceed $7,720 per month during this time and can be terminated by either party with a 60 day written notice.

Trustee Haier moved and Trustee Lanning seconded a motion to approve Agreement. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

U S Army Donations Program – Approval to Authorize Acceptance of Demilitarized Equipment for display purposes at Suppeland Community Park
Mayor Stokes reported that Trustee Lanning has been working with the U S Army on a project to obtain US Army owned equipment (cannon) to be used for display purposes. The Town would plan to install the equipment (cannon) at Suppeland Park Veterans' Memorial and will be tied into the Town's sesquicentennial festivities. The equipment is to be at no cost to the Town and even though there will be some charges for shipping, crating, etc., the items on loan from the Department of the Army. The Town will need to assume all responsibility for the display item.

At this time, Mayor Stokes is asking only for approval to authorize acceptance of the demilitarized equipment.

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Siewierski seconded a motion to authorize the Mayor to accept the equipment. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Accept Proposal for Professional Services – Fehr Graham – Com Ed Green Region Openlands Grant Application
Clerk Aldis reported that there is an opportunity for Cortland to apply for additional grant monies (up to $10,000) associated with DCEO grant modification to add a fitness trail to the walking path being developed for Cortland Community Park through the Town's DCEO grant.

Fehr-Graham agrees to compile the needed documentation and narrative necessary to apply for this grant for $500.00

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Corson seconded a motion to accept proposal for professional services. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

Water/Wastewater
Superintendent Summerhill reported that he and Engineer Williams are working on a Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity grant in the amount of $80,000. This is a grant for turbo aeration blowers to reduce the electrical costs by 20 to 50% for wastewater treatment plants. The EPA did a visual inspection of the Sewer Treatment Plant after receiving calls complaining of odor. It was evident to the inspector that no odor was coming from the STP.

Police Department
Chief Spangler was present to answer any questions on his monthly report. He also reported on year end numbers, stating that nothing jumps out as unusual, some call are seasonal type calls based on the month. He will be looking at 5-year trends.

Engineering
Ms. Williams reported that the North Avenue Lift Station is completed. She will be working on final payouts for the next Board meeting. She met with Mayor Stokes and Director Kocher to finalize MFT projects for 2015.

Public Works
Director Kocher was available to answer questions on his monthly report. He and his staff were out today spreading salt and used over 18 tons during today's freezing rain event.

Zoning Report
The zoning report was in the packet for review.

Comments/Concerns
Trustee Corson asked if there was any plan to connect the county bike path with Cortland. Trustee Lanning said he thinks that Fehr-Graham will have some positive feedback from DeKalb Sycamore Area Transportation (DSATS) regarding the bike path and future plans.

Trustee Lanning reported that he is working on the Veteran's Memorial and has measurements for the flag pole.

Trustee Dockus mentioned that she would like to see low volume options for trash collection if there is going to be a discussion regarding contracting with one waste hauler for Cortland.

President's Report
Mayor Stokes said that he will be putting information in the next newsletter on facts regarding snow plowing and salting of roads. We are planning on having the traveling Lincoln Hwy. exhibit in the Town Hall for a few months. He is planning on holding an open house on Saturdays in March.

Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. on a motion by Trustee Haier and a second by Trustee Lanning. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Nielsen
Deputy Clerk

Approved:
Attest: _____