TOWN OF CORTLAND
Town Hall
59 S. Somonauk Road
Cortland, IL 60112
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Town Board Meeting
August 24, 2015
7:00 P.M.

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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, Chuck Lanning, Doug Corson, and Ben Haier. Also present were Public Works Director John Kocher, Police Chief Gary Spangler, Sgt. Lin Dargis, Water/Wastewater Director Joel Summerhill, and Engineer Brandy Williams.

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

Public Wishing to Speak
Timothy Kenyon was present and stated that he was here to hear discussion regarding one waste hauler. Mayor Stokes explained that there has been discussion regarding whether or not the Town Board is going to consider the issue, however the item is not on the agenda for tonight's meeting. He explained that the Board is working on drafting a Request for Proposal. When the RFP is ready town staff will send it to interested parties. No vote will be taken on the decision until the Town Board reviews the RFP's.

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

Approve Town Board Minutes for July 27, July 30, and August 10, 2015
Accept Minutes for Festival & Parade Committee July 21, and August 4, 2015
Approve Treasurer and Expenditure Reports for July, 2015
Approve Memorandum of Understanding between the Town and DeKalb County ESDA

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

New Business
Accept Resignation of Chief Gary Spangler
Mayor Stokes explained that Chief Spangler has turned in his resignation effective August 30. Mayor Stokes regretfully has accepted the resignation.

Appoint Sgt. Lin Dargis as Chief of Police
Mayor Stokes, with the consent and approval of the Town Board, would like to appoint Sgt. Lin Dargis as the Chief of Police with the swearing in to take place at the September 14 Town Board meeting. Sgt. Dargis has been second in command and comes to the town with many years of police experience and education. Trustee Corson moved and Trustee Siewierski seconded a motion to approve the appointment. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

Approval of Purchase for Security Fence for Well Number 4 Facility
Superintendent Summerhill presented bids notice with recommendation to accept bid from Peerless Fence in the amount of $39,442.00 to be paid from FY16 budget. Trustee Haier moved and Trustee Fioretto seconded a motion to approve the purchase of a security fence from Peerless Fence in the amount of $39,442 with funds to be paid from Water System Capital Outlay Construction. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

Approval of Purchase for 2016 Ford F-350 Truck for Water/Wastewater Department
Superintendent Summerhill presented the bids for the F-350 Truck. He received several bids with the lowest bidder being Gjovik Ford in the amount of $57,637.84 to be paid from FY16, Sewer Capital Outlay/Equipment. Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Corson seconded a motion to approve the purchase of the F-350 Ford Truck from Gjovik Ford in the amount of $57,637.84. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

Approve Ordinance Approving Class E (Temporary) Liquor License for Ski's All American Pub, LLC.
This is a one day temporary license to serve liquor at a 300 W Lincoln Hwy. on September 26 for a Barbed Wire Betties fundraiser. Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Siewierski seconded a motion to approve the Class E Liquor License. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion **ORD. NO. 2015-14**

MFT – Void Prior Approval of FY16 MFT Project Awarded to Builders Paving on July 7, 2015
Ms. Williams explained that due to funding cuts the decision was made to reduce the scope of work previously planned by postponing concrete and paving work along Somonauk Rd., and a small portion of Linda Ave. IDOT is making it necessary that the Town re-bid the project. For this reason the approved July 7 bid will need to be voided. Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Corson seconded a motion to void the FY16 Project awarded to Builders Paving. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Department Reports
Water/Wastewater
Mr. Summerhill reported that his department will be focusing on irrigation through November. His Department has irrigated over 2 million gallons and hopes to irrigate between 6 and 7 million gallons before the end of August.

Public Works
Mr. Kocher reported that sidewalk replacement areas have been marked and his department has installed a new low flow system within the Cortland Community Park detention pond. They laid more pipe today and so far this has helped dry up the pond. There is still work to be done and he hopes to finish up by the end of the year.

Mayor Stokes reported that public works will be coordinating the demolition of 36 S. Somonauk Rd.

Police Department
Chief Spangler reported that July has been a very busy month. The department has hired Adam Jones as a new patrol officer starting on September 1. Chief Spangler stated that Officer Jones will be a good addition to the department. The department will have less part-time hours and a more stable schedule. He believes the Town has a professional and well trained department and is especially thankful to the Town Board and Mayor for the support they have shown him. His wife has taken a new job in Omaha and he will eventually be joining her there.

Comments and Concerns
Trustee Haier asked, based on conversations he's had with neighbors, if it is possible to combine summer fest and the parade & festival into one big event. Trustee Stone said that the committee did try to hold one event that took place in October and the weather was so cold that attendance was very poor. Everyone agreed that the parade & festival has such a long standing tradition (over 25 years) that it should not be changed. Also, the summer fest is really a fund raiser that supports the festival and parade costs. The committee has tried other community activities that have not been well attended; however, the Magic show held in the spring is well attended and the committee would welcome new ideas. Trustee Haier said he understood and would relay the information.

Trustee Stone reported that the intake from summer fest was approximately $15,000 gross. They do not have a count yet for the silent auction.

President's Report
Mayor Stokes thanked Chief Spangler for his professionalism and stated that he has served this community honorably. Mayor Stokes stated that Chief Spangler has done a fantastic job in hiring new officers as well as Sgt.

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Dargis. He has great confidence that the department will move forward. Officer Roy Garcia is working toward putting together an emergency preparedness (NIMS Compliant) plan that will bring us into compliance with FEMA regulations allowing us to recoup losses in an emergency situation. Officer Garcia has extensive experience in this emergency preparedness plans for states, colleges and university.

Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m. on a motion by Trustee Stone and a second by Trustee Haier. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Nielsen
Deputy Clerk

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