TOWN OF CORTLAND
Town Hall
59 S. Somonauk Road
Cortland, IL 60112
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Town Board Meeting
Monday
September 26, 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 Deputy Clerk Rita Nielsen showed as present Mayor Stokes, Trustees, Lanning, Stone, Siewierski, Haier and Fioretto. Trustee Corson arrived at 7:07. Also shown as present were Water-Wastewater Director Joel Summerhill, Public Works Director John Kocher, Police Chief Lin Dargis, Engineer Noah Carmichael, Town Clerk Cheryl Aldis. Attorney Buick arrived during discussion of video gaming.

Public Wishing to Speak

There was no one present.

Mayor Stokes Present Proclamations for Mrs. Dorothy Malone

Harold and Sandy Malone were present to accept a proclamation honoring his mother, Mrs. Dorothy Malone. Mrs. Malone celebrated her 100th birthday on August 9.

PMA Financial Advisors – Andrew Kim – Refunding SSA#1(NeuCort Lakes) and SSA #9 (Richland Trails) Board action to Refund Bonds to lower the payment rate for property owners is possible.

Mr. Andrew Kim, Director PMA Securities, Inc. was present to discuss the possibility of the Town using PMA as an underwriter that would purchase the existing bonds from the Town with the intent to resell them to investors at a lower interest rate than is currently being paid. The savings of refinancing the bonds would directly benefit the residents. Mr. Kim's handout provided information on the bonds debt service for both SSA's from 2014 through the year 2032. It was the consensus of the board to have the Town's accountants review bond refinancing options and bring forth a recommendation in November.

Sikich LLC Presentation of FY16 Auditor's Report

Mr. Allen Lyon presented the FY16 Annual Audit Report and reviewed the Town's finances. The purpose of the review was to give the Board a brief overview of the financial statements found in the FY16 Audit and of financial records, accuracy of records, and compliance with accounting methods and internal controls.

Presentation – Mike Healy with WOW (Wide Open West) Internet Cable and Phone

Mr. Healy is a representative of WOW. WOW is a provider of cable, fixed wireless, fiber, and DSL broadband internet and has coverage in over 500 cities. WOW is interested in doing an engineering study in Cortland to see if it is a feasible option to expand their services to the Town. The consensus of the board was to allow WOW to explore the options and present their findings at a future date. Mr. Healy expects it will take about 6-8 weeks to gather information and report back to Town.

Consent Agenda

Approve Town Board Minutes for August 22 and September 12, 2016
Approve Expenditure and Treasurer Reports for August, 2016
Accept Festival and Parade Minutes of August 25 and September 8, 2016

Deputy Clerk Nielsen read the Consent Agenda into the minutes.

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

New Business for Discussion and Possible Action

Purchase Turbo Blower and approve Electrical Installation for the Sanitary Sewer Treatment Plant

Mr. Summerhill presented. On March 14, 2016 the Board motioned to waive the bidding process for this project once the grant monies became available, this motion is to authorize the purchase of the blower from Gasvoda & Associates in the amount of $78,517.00 (to be reimbursed by grant monies) and approve electrical installation from Swedberg Electric for the amount of $6,876.00.

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Corson seconded a motion to allow for purchase of turbo blower and approve the election installation. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

Change Order #1 Elliott & Wood – Catch Basin Style Change and increase number needed from 3 to 6 and ASP #1 Request for Payment (#1)

Mr. Carmichael presented. Change Order #1 is to add 6 each – 12" flared end sections for catch basin for the Cortland Center Rd. project at $1,200.00 equaling $7,200.00 to be paid from Restricted Assets Funds Richland Trails and approve pay request #1 in the amount of $144,105.09. CO 2016-01

Trustee Stone moved and Trustee Lanning seconded motion to approve change order #1 and pay request #1. Roll call vote carried the motion.

Peter Baker & Son Contract-additional paving on Elm Ave

Mr. Carmichael presented. Fehr Graham is recommending the board approve a contract with Peter Baker & Son for additional binder paving on Elm Avenue at a cost not to exceed $26,000.00. This would place a hard surface binder over the work done this summer on Elm Ave. from the alley west of Somonauk Rd. to Ottawa St. to help maintain a proper road surface for the winter.

Trustee Lanning moved and Trustee Stone seconded a motion not to exceed $26,000 for additional paving with monies to be taken from Capital Improvement Fund for Elm Avenue repairs. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

Approve an Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Personal Property (Computers)

Clerk Aldis stated that the list attached to the ordinance are old PC's and equipment that are no longer useful to the Town.

Trustee Haier moved and Trustee Lanning seconded a motion to approve an Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Personal Property. Unanimous roll call vote carried the motion. Ord. 2016-10

2016 Review of DeKalb County Hazards Mitigation Annual Evaluation Report

Clerk Aldis attended the annual IEMA meeting. Trustees were asked to look over the 2016 DeKalb County Hazards Mitigation Annual Report. If anyone had any questions, comments or suggested changes, they should contact Clerk Aldis. There will be a complete plan update in 2018.

Video Gaming Discussion

Trustee Siewierski, as well as Town staff, has been contacted by a business owner in town who is inquiring as to whether or not the Town allows video gaming. Video gaming is not a permitted use in the Town. Attorney Buick and Clerk Aldis had information to share with the board regarding how other municipalities are handling video gaming licensing. Town Code and Liquor Licenses would need to be amended to allow for video gaming. Mayor Stokes directed that town staff and attorney to look into the possibility and bring back information to board for discussion.

Department Reports in packet for review and discussion

Mr. Carmichael reported that road construction will start on Elm Avenue within the next 10 – 14 days. Peter Baker will then begin paving. Elliott and Wood are proceeding with Cortland Center Road after a delay.

Chief Dargis reported that his department has everything in order for parade. Mayor Stokes thanked him for the Police Departments help with a memorial service held at the Lyons Den.

Mr. Kocher reported that his department is working to stay ahead of all the road construction going on. Leaf pick-up is being planned for November 1.

Comments/Concerns

Trustee Fioretto asked about the Lyons Club sign that needs to be repaired or taken down. Trustee Lanning has offered the Town's assistance to remove it.

Trustee Stone said there are 423 participants in the upcoming parade. They have ordered 700 Frisbees to hand out. He will be talking with Superintendent Summerhill about water service at Cortland Community Park.

President Report

Mayor Stokes had nothing further to report.

Adjournment

Trustee Stone moved and Trustee Fioretto seconded a motion to adjourn. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Nielsen
Deputy Clerk