

Batavia Township
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Minutes of the June 8, 2010 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Batavia Township.

Clerk Fricano led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Call to Order:

Supervisor Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Supervisor James Anderson; Trustees Ron Gilkerson, Brian Singer, Leigh Tracy, John West; Assessor Tammy Kavanaugh; Road Commissioner Christopher Long; Township Clerk Sue Fricano.

Others Present: Van Larson, Township Attorney; Layla Beth, Township Office Manager; Residents: Howard Katz

Absent: Bob Chalberg, Township Accountant

Checking of Bills and Checks for May 2010

Minutes: Trustee Tracy moved to approve the minutes of the May 2010 regular meeting, seconded by Trustee Gilkerson. Roll-call vote was taken.

Ayes: Anderson, Gilkerson, Singer, Tracy, West.

Nays: None

Motion passed.

Accounts: Trustee Singer moved to approve the accounts from May 2010; Trustee Tracy seconded the motion. Roll-call vote was taken.

Ayes: Anderson, Gilkerson, Singer, Tracy, West.

Nays: None

Motion passed.

Assessor's report: Assessor Kavanaugh reported that there is nothing new; they are busy working on re-assessments. Trustee Gilkerson inquired about a situation a friend is going through. His friend noticed he has been charged for having a basement but does not have a basement. Assessor Kavanaugh explained that unfortunately errors are made in assessments. The township goes off the original plans and if the original plans called for a basement than that would be part of the assessment. The statue states that it is up to the home owner to make sure the assessment is correct and the township can only go back one year for reimbursements as the tax money has already been accounted for and spent and there is no way of getting it back. Any further questions regarding issues like this can be directed to the Assessor's office via the website www.bataviatownship.com or 630-879-1323.

Old Business:

- A. **Educational Conference Oakbrook:** Supervisor Anderson sent in the registration form and all those who requested to go to the conference are all set. The conference is this coming Wednesday June 16th in Oakbrook.

New Business:

- A. **Prevailing Wage Ordinance:** Supervisor Anderson explained that the prevailing wage ordinance states that work being done for the township must be paid according to the union scale. Highway Commissioner Long explained that this pertains to capital projects. Supervisor Anderson did not print out the actual wages because we have no control over them, they are already set. If interested, the revised rates are available from the following website: www.state.il.us/agency/idol . Trustee Gilkerson added that he likes to point out every year the wages may look high but there are other things factored into the wage rate, like pension, medical...the perks/benefits. Trustee Gilkerson made a motion to approve the prevailing wage ordinance, seconded by Trustee Tracy. Roll call was taken.

Ayes: Anderson, Gilkerson, Singer, Tracy, West.

Nays: None.

Motion Passed.

- B. **Computer Back Ups:** Supervisor Anderson reported that computer back ups are in place.

- C. **Lazarus House Fundraiser:** Supervisor Anderson informed the board of a fundraiser to celebrate the 13th birthday of Lazarus House. Township Office Manager Layla Beth has been very involved in this fundraiser and stated they are focusing on their theme of "spare change out of your pocket-every penny counts" and asking people to donate their spare change. The fundraiser/birthday will take place Saturday June 19th from 11am to 2pm on Walnut St. between 2nd and 3rd streets in St. Charles. Admission is free and there will be live entertainment and many other fun events.

Trustee Reports:

Trustee West reported on the BATV Board and how they are aligning their fiscal year with the City of Batavia because of the connection/funding with Comcast and AT&T Uverse. He also wanted to congratulate all the new graduates from Batavia High School there are about 480 this year. Good Luck in your future endeavors.

Trustee Gilkerson reported on the Memorial Day Service. He stated it was well attended even though he thought it was not as well promoted this year. The Mayor was in attendance and ex-sheriff Ken Ramsey did a good job of saluting the veterans who lost their lives and those who are still with us and served our country. Trustee Gilkerson also wanted to ask for any thoughts on a possible new name for the Inc. Board that he could take back and share with the other board members. Currently they are known as Mental Health and Mental Retardation Service, Inc. and they are looking for a new name.

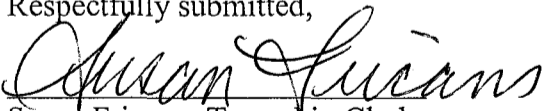
Other Business:

Resident Howard Katz reported on the 708 Board meeting that will take place at the Township office on Thursday June 10th at 7pm.

Supervisor Anderson reported on the opening of a new restaurant that he is involved with in Batavia called "Ona's on the Avenue". Come check them out and grab some true Swedish food.

Adjournment: Upon a motion made by Trustee Singer, seconded by Trustee Gilkerson and unanimously approved, the Board Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Susan Fricano, Township Clerk

Approved by the Board of Trustees: _____ Date: _____