

Batavia Township Board of Trustees

May 14, 2019

Minutes

The Board of Trustees meeting was called to order by Senior Supervisor Anderson at 7:00 P.M. at the Township offices located in Batavia, IL. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Long.

Roll Call: Trustees present: Bertalmio, Donat, Tracy, West. Also present were: Sheriff's Deputy Brauer, Hwy. Commissioner Long, Assessor Kavanaugh, and Atty. Larson. Supervisor Anderson was present.

The bills for April 2019 were reviewed by the Board of Trustees.

Approval of the minutes from April: Trustee Bertalmio moved to approve the minutes from April, as amended by changes proposed in emails previously circulated by Trustee Donat. Seconded by Trustee Tracy. Roll Call vote: Ayes--Bertalmio, Tracy, West, Anderson. PASSED.

Approval of Accounts: A motion to approve the March and April accounts was made by Trustee West and seconded by Trustee Tracy. Roll Call vote: Aye - Tracy, West, Bertalmio, Anderson. PASSED.

Approval of Bills: A motion to approve the March bills was made by Trustee Tracy and seconded by Trustee Bertalmio. Roll Call vote: Aye -Tracy, West, Bertalmio, Anderson. PASSED by voice vote.

Annual Financial Report. Supervisor Anderson made a copy of the Township Annual Financial Report available to all who were present. A copy will be on file in the Township offices.

Assessor's Report

Supervisor Kavanaugh reported that her office finished the reassessments for 2019 and turned in the assessment rolls to the Kane County Supervisor of Assessments. It usually takes them thirty days to process. Once they get them processed we will know when the publications notices go out. That will be posted on the Assessor's website once it happens.

Road Commissioner's Report

The Highway Department is busy into their summer work all of a sudden after the rains. Brush pick up, Commissioner Long wished to remind everyone, is every Monday. The policies for brush pick up are on our website, **Bataviatownship.com**. So far it has been going pretty well. Commissioner Long wanted to remind everybody that when they see workers out alongside the road, to slow down if they can. We don't want anybody to get hurt.

Trustee West had a few calls about a yard where they are not mowing the grass. It is about a foot tall. Is that something that the Road Commissioner can assist with? Commissioner Long said that the Kane County Health Department is the proper place to lodge such complaints.

Supervisor Anderson reminded everybody that the Township has no governing powers, as far as zoning, health, and such things go, that all goes through the County.

Old Business

Supervisor Anderson pointed out that the bill from Downs for air conditioner repairs that was presented tonight was for work that was done 2 years ago. Mr. Downs finally submitted it for payment, but because it was so old, the Township secretary put it on the agenda for non-routine consideration.

Statements of Economic Interest are due from all elected officials. Receipts should be given when the statement is submitted. If any official does not have a receipt the County should be contacted to insure that the proper paperwork has been received.

New Business

Supervisor Anderson announced his desire to retire as the Township Supervisor. Leigh Tracy has agreed, after speaking with everyone else, that he would take the position as Township Supervisor. Because the Township officers all ran for election as a political party, when there is a resignation the only way the vacancy can be filled is by someone from that same political party. There are therefore only eight persons eligible to fill the position. Mr. Tracy is one of those persons. He must resign as Trustee in order to do this, however, and the only way his position can be filled is also by someone from the same political party. Supervisor Anderson has agreed to be a Trustee, filling Trustee Tracy's vacancy, for the next two years.

Supervisor Anderson will put this on the agenda for the June meeting, to be effective at the end of June, 2019. The alternative would be to have a special election, but Supervisor Anderson said that as long as the parties agree, and there is no objection from any of the Trustees, this procedure can be followed. Attorney Larson agreed.

Trustee West commended the Anderson family, who have been serving the Township for a total of 54 years, 20 by Clifford Anderson, Jim's father, and 34 by Jim Anderson. All present

concurred with Trustee Tracy who observed that this is a spectacular demonstration of community service.

Public Participation

Officer Brauer had nothing new to report for Batavia Twp. Trustee Tracy commended the Sheriff on this program.

Trustee Report

none

Other Business

Next Board Meeting: June 11, 2019 at 7 P.M.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Bertalmio and seconded by Trustee Tracy. PASSED by voice vote.

Adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted

Walter J. Donat
Acting Batavia Township Clerk