

# Batavia Township Board of Trustees

2-13-18

## Minutes

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The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Anderson at 7:00pm at the Township offices located in Batavia, IL.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee John West.

Roll Call: Trustees Bertalmio, Donat, Tracy West, Supervisor Anderson. Also present were: Clerk Katz, Highway Commissioner Chris Long, Deputy Assessor Riley Kavanaugh Township Atty. Van Larson  
Officials not present: Assessor Tammy Kavanaugh,

At this point, the checking of Bills for Feb. 2018 were reviewed by the Board of Trustees.

### Approval of Minutes from January 2018

A motion to approve the Jan. 2018 minutes was made by Trustee Bertalmio and seconded by Trustee Tracy . Roll Call vote: Aye - Bertalmio, Donat, Tracy, Anderson. **PASSED**

### Approval of Accounts

A motion to approve the January bills was made by Trustee West and seconded by Trustee Tracy . Roll Call vote: Aye - Bertalmio, Donat, Tracy, Anderson.. **PASSED.**

### Assessor's Report

Absent Supervisor noted that the Assessor's office is in the process of generating the reports that will be used for the 2018 assessment review. Supervisor Anderson also noted that the Assessor's office rehired one of their former part-time employees, so they're back up to full strength.

### Road Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Long noted that the Township finally got some snow so they were busy, and that his crew is ready for the next round of snow. He doesn't expect a lot to fall in the short term since temperatures are expected to be moderate.

### Old Business

**Township Flag:** Deputy Assessor Kavanaugh noted that the comments she had received were in favor of the full-color flag, so she will order it and should have it by next month.

**Tentative Budgets and Budget Hearings:** The proposed Budgets are now available. For the General funds, Supervisor Anderson notes that there's not much change from last year except: The GA caseworker will now be paid out of the GA line item instead of general salary in order to pay down the GA amount. He noted that is common for area townships, even though almost every Twp gets challenged on this. There will be a change of \$35,000 up and then \$36,000 out

for payroll from the GA line item. General Assistance was a bit heavy as far as caseloads were concerned, and we didn't change the levy due to that. We now are levying less and will take the overall level lower. Catastrophic Insurance is also from that line item, This insurance means that for a medical issue involving one of the GA clients, we're only responsible for the 1st \$25,000.00 of the medical bills \$18,000.00 currently assessed, would like to decrease that in the future

The 708 Mental Health Levy will also likely be increased from the current \$360,000 amount currently being sent in.

Commissioner Long noted that the Highway levy is basically the same, and only raised up 1.2% We probably should have more road repairs this year than in the past several years. Publish budget hearing 30 days before the

**Annual Meeting:** will be held April 10 at 7:45pm. The regularly-scheduled Trustee's meeting will be at 7:00pm., and the budget hearing will be held at 6:45pm.

### **New Business**

Township Topics Day - Wed. April 25 – Springfield If anyone is interested let Jim know.

### **Public Participation**

None

### **Trustee Report**

Trustee Bertalmio said that he's been talking to several city officials, and to the Daily Herald on the possibility of holding a symposium concerning the opioid crisis. At this point there isn't any current news on when this will be held.

Supervisor Anderson noted that we had received a Freedom of Information Act request from The Daily Herald, and we faxed them 65 pages relating to their request to the paper

### **Other Business**

The next Township Officials of Kane County meeting will be on Feb. 21st at the County animal control building in St. Charles.

**708 Board Report:** Clerk Katz reported that the Batavia 708 Board met on Feb. 1st. The Board noted that the Township had sent in the entire requested levy amount, and that the IncBoard currently has a total asset amount of \$3 million dollars to cover expenses and disburse to the agencies. Since the last report, there was an uptick in the number of township residents who were accessing the agencies' services.

**Next Board Meeting:** March 13, 2018

### **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Bertalmio seconded by Trustee West. The meeting was adjourned at 7:19pm.

Respectively Submitted

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Howard R. Katz  
Batavia Township Clerk