

Batavia Township Board of Trustees

6-12-18

Minutes

The Board of Trustees 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 West.

Roll Call: Trustees Donat, Tracy, West, Supervisor Anderson. Also present were: Clerk Howard Katz, Highway Commissioner Chris Long, Township Atty. Van Larson.

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

Approval of Minutes from May 2018

Trustee Tracy moved to approve the May minutes and seconded by Trustee West. Roll Call vote: Aye - Donat, Tracy, West, Anderson. **PASSED**

Approval of Accounts

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

Assessor's Report

Absent. Supervisor Anderson noted that property assessments will be sent out by 6-19 and published on the 21st in the Kane County Chronicle.

Road Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Long noted that they're getting ready for several main projects. The Hilltop culverts are currently being replaced, and that should take a few more weeks. Ongoing brush pickup is on Mondays, weather permitting. Trustee West asked if people are stacking the brush properly? Commissioner Long noted that yes, more and more people are contacting them to get the details on how to stack. It helps for the safety of the crew and makes the whole process go faster.

Old Business

Social Service agencies: Supervisor Anderson noted that all agencies they contacted have their applications filed with us, 13 in total, and checks will be going out to them shortly.

Dial 211: Supervisor Anderson noted that the service was discussed recently at the Nun lunch, and apparently there's not a lot of info out there about it. We will find out what the financial

situation is for them, and if there's any financial commitment for the Township. Trustee Tracy said he sent the Supervisor a list of the agencies that were supposed to be involved, but until there's something definitive, there's not a lot for us to do at this point in time.

New Business

Prevailing Wages Act: Trustee Donat read the prevailing wage act. Supervisor Anderson noted that we pass legislation that states if we hire any outside agency to do work, the companies have to pay the prevailing wages are for that job in the local area, and depending on the work being done, this can run \$35 - 50/hr., based on union wages. Commissioner Long explained that this has to do with permanent work--concrete, buildings, and such, but anything done in-house is exempt. He noted that all our work of this sort is bid out by the County and they have to submit wage reports, insurance coverage, and other pertinent info. Each county has a set range for the wages/. Trustee Donat inquired if are there companies that aren't meeting prevailing wage and are competent to do this work? Comm. Long said that there probably are, but they wouldn't bid since they wouldn't want to pay prevailing wage just for the one job.

Trustee Donat asked what happens if we don't pass it? Commissioner Long said that if we don't pass it, we don't get any work done. Supervisor Anderson noted the State should pass a covering act, but they since haven't we have to do this on the local level. He noted that it's not just our Township--all taxing bodies have to do this. Trustee Tracy moved and Supervisor Anderson seconded to pass the Prevailing Wages Act.

Aye - Tracy, West, Anderson. Donat, No. **PASSED**

708 Mental Health Board Appointments: Two 708 Board members, Leigh Tracy and Howard Katz are up for term reappointment. Trustee Tracy noted that when we discussed having Township representatives on the board, it was suggested that we rotate the assignment. He would like to see another Trustee take the assignment. Supervisor Anderson asked the Trustees to think about being on the Board, and they can make their decision during the summer. Trustee West volunteered to be on the 708 Board. Trustee Tracy moved and Trustee Donat seconded that Howard Katz and John West be appointed to the 708 Board. Roll Call vote: Aye - Donat, Tracy, West, Anderson. **PASSED**

Ride-In-Kane: Supervisor Anderson is currently the Chair of the Kane County Paratransit Committee. He noted that there's an increase in complaints against the taxi or buses Pace has contracted with, and most of the complaints are about late pickups. R-I-K is a 24/7 service, and taxi companies apparently don't have enough employees to cover all shifts. He noted that the PACE representative didn't show at the last meeting, and was removed from employment the next day, though he wasn't sure if that was the reason for his leaving PACE. The Committee meets x4/year, and hopefully a new PACE rep will be appointed within the next month. Many people depend on the service, like those who are at Valley Sheltered workshop--they're picked up in the morning, and the bus does a reverse commute to get them home. Trustee Tracy noted that it's too bad that it's not dependable when people need it. Supervisor Anderson stated that there's a "stranded" phone number for users to call when they're not picked up. Cab companies do present problems because of turnover in personnel.

Public Participation

Clerk Katz noted on the recent 708 Board meeting which was held on May 31st. As of April 30th, IncBoard had total assets of \$991,202.25. Revenue from all townships was up 11,749.93. IncBoard has requested funding from Batavia Twp. in the amount of \$382,880, up 2.1% from last year.

For the fiscal year to date 17 agencies provided service to 2,003 Township residents, providing 30,959 units of service.

Agencies allocated funding were the same as last year--no new agencies were added. Two agencies were dropped: CASA Kane County and DayOne Pact.

The Lyle E. Oncken Service Award for 2018 was awarded to Lynn O'Shea from AID and Greg Wilson from Tri-City Family Services.

The next 708 Board meeting will be on Oct. 4, 2018.

Trustee Report

None

Other Business

Supervisor Anderson noted that the City of Batavia will be meeting on Tuesday the 19th, 9am to discuss TIF districts. He'll be unable to attend and hopes one of the Trustees will be able to be there.

Next Board Meeting: July 10, 2018

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee West and seconded by Trustee Donat. **PASSED**
The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.

Respectively Submitted

Howard R. Katz
Batavia Township Clerk