

Minutes –Board of Town Trustees

STATE OF ILLINOIS, }
McHenry County, } ss.
Township of Nunda, }

THE BOARD OF TOWN TRUSTEES met at the Nunda Township Town Hall, 3510 Bay Road, Crystal Lake, Illinois, on **December 13th, 2011.**

PRESENT:

Joni Smith	Town Trustee
Tom Palmer	Town Trustee
Jim Schlader	Town Trustee
Lee Jennings	Town Trustee

Trustee Schlader acting as Chair pro tem, called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Bridgett Provenzano, Township Clerk, recorded the following official business.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited. Roll call was answered by Trustees Palmer, Smith, Schlader, and Jennings. Supervisor Heisler was absent because of a family issue. Also present was Township Attorney Jim Militello, Assessor Jagla, staff and members of the public.

Minutes – Motion to approve the Regular Board Meeting minutes from November, as amended, made by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Jennings.

Voice Vote, all ayes, motion carries.

Resolution #12-13-11-01 – tabled until Mrs. Kopsell could get the resolution together.

Trustee Schlader skipped agenda item #6 concerning the levies at this time.

Claims and Additional Bills (Road District) – A motion was made by Trustee Jennings and seconded by Trustee Schlader to approve claims of the Highway Commissioner for audit and payment as presented. The following is a summary of the bills presented.

Total Road District Claims presented.....\$260,290.97

Road District payroll

November 2011

Permanent Hard Road Fund	\$99,791.15
Road District Social Security Fund	\$ 6,802.89
Road District I.M.R.F. Fund	\$ 0.00

Roll Call Vote, All Ayes, Motion Carries.

Claims and Additional Bills (Town Fund) –A motion was made by Trustee Palmer and seconded by Trustee Jennings to approve claims of the Supervisor for audit and payment as presented. The following is a summary of the bills presented.

Total Town Claims presented.....\$26,708.55

Town payroll

Town Fund	\$87,189.74
General Assistance Fund	\$ 0.00

Roll Call Vote. All ayes, except Trustee Smith, Nay, Motion Carries.

Approval of the 2011 Annual Tax Levy for all funds of the Township –

Motion to approve the 2011 Road District Levies made by Trustee Jennings, seconded by Trustee Palmer.

Roll Call Vote, All Ayes, motion carries.

A motion was made to approve the amended levies for the Town Fund as presented by Trustee Palmer replacing the original levies submitted and approved by this board for thirty day review, by Trustee Jennings, seconded by Trustee Palmer.

Assessor Jagla pointed out to Trustee Palmer that the levies were not asking for the full amount according to the CPI of 1.5%. Trustee Palmer adjusted the levies and presented them to the board for approval over the original levies posted for review. Trustee Schlader had confirmed before the meeting with T.O.I. that this was procedurally acceptable. Township Attorney Militello confirmed this point. Trustee Palmer presenting his argument for raising the levies was a result of Supervisor Heisler not providing any cuts to the budget approved by this board. Trustee Jennings wanted to know the amount of the increase. Trustee Smith said she thought we should ask for the maximum amount and if we have money left over, rebate it to the taxpayers. Trustee Palmer wants to build cash reserves. Trustee Schlader suggested focusing on the budget.

Roll Call Vote, All ayes, motion carries.

A motion was made to approve the adjusted levies, presented by Trustee Palmer, for the General Assistance Fund by Trustee Jennings, seconded by Trustee Schlader.

Roll Call Vote, all ayes, motion carries.

A motion was made to approve the original levy for the Cemetery Fund, as posted for thirty day review, by Trustee Palmer, seconded by Trustee Jennings.

Roll Call Vote, all ayes, motion carries.

Resolution #12-13-11-01 – a motion was made to pass resolution #12-13-11-01, adopting a drug and alcohol policy for Pace drivers, by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Jennings.

Roll Call Vote, all ayes, motion carries.

Reports:

Clerk Provenzano – no report.

Trustee Palmer – reported on the status of the waste hauler issue in Covered Bridge. It will go to the County Board for approval, but the residents will be saving some money and will have leaf pickup. He also asked Township Attorney Militello if he had any discussions with Supervisor Heisler this past month. Jim was able to give a detailed report of his business with the Supervisor and also commented that he did not charge for any of it.

Trustee Smith – Had several questions regarding General Assistance for Attorney Militello. Was afraid there is not enough checks and balances for the money spent under the G.A. umbrella. Trustee Schlader suggested checking with T.O.I.

Trustee Jennings – asked Mrs. Kopsell if she was getting the information she requested from the Supervisor. He also asked Mrs. Kopsell to assist him with a resident request.

Trustee Schlader – mentioned that Trustee Smith had organized a drive for the GA clients of the Township. Leda from the Supervisors office helped to coordinate a toy, food, and coat drive while keeping the identity of clients confidential. Kudos to the Smith Family, and all those that donated in such a short time frame. Job well done.

New Business – no new business.

Old Business – no old business.

Public Comment - Brent Smith wanted the G.A. fund looked at and thought the Trustees should have access to that information. Mike Shorten was concerned about the levy being approved before the budget is approved, and wondered why the original levies were not presented. He also pointed out that the GA account invites malfeasance if not verified by someone other than the Supervisor. He also expressed his gratitude to Trustee Smith for her work on the drive for the GA clients.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Trustee Jennings, seconded by Trustee Smith, to adjourn.

Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Bridgett Provenzano, Township Clerk