

# **SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES – BOARD OF TRUSTEES NUNDA TOWNSHIP**

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

**The Board of Trustees** met at the Nunda Township - Supervisor's Office, 3510 Bay Road, Crystal Lake, Illinois, on **December 30, 2013** for a Special Meeting to discuss Resolution 12-30-13-01.

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Jennings, Trustees Palmer, Shorten, Gil and Dvorak.  
Also present: Highway Commissioner Lesperance and members of the general public.  
Assessor Jagla was no present.

**Supervisor Jennings** called the meeting to order at 7 P.M. Township Clerk, Koscavage recorded the following official business.

**The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call** was answered by Supervisor Jennings, Trustees Palmer, Dvorak, Gil and Shorten.

**Public Comments:** No public comments

**Motion to Approve Resolution 12-30-13-01. Referendum to be Placed on March 18, 2014 Ballot Regarding Township Garbage Collection Service in Unincorporated Area of Nunda Township**  
**So moved: Trustee Palmer, Seconded: Trustee Gil**

**Discussion:**  
**Questions followed about the verbage of the Resolution and how the plan will be implemented. Details to be worked out.**

**Notification must be placed in the newspaper ten days before the March 18, 2014 election in Nunda Township.**

**Motion to Approve Resolution 12-30-13-01. Referendum to be placed on March 1, 2014 Ballot Regarding Township Garbage Collection Service in Unincorporated Area of Nunda Township**  
**Roll Call Vote:**  
**All Ayes. No Nays. None Abstained**  
**Motion carries.**

**Reports by the Supervisor, Township Clerk, Highway Commissioner, Assessor and Trustees:**

**Supervisor Jennings** – Apologized for short notice of meeting – needed to vote tonight to appear on March 18, 2014 ballot.

**Township Clerk Koscavage** – all the tax levies were filed at the County Clerk's office on December 19, 2013 - Resolution 12-30-13-01 will be filed tomorrow (December 31, 2013).

**Highway Commissioner Lesperance** – no report.

**Assessor Jagla** – not present.

**Trustee Palmer** – made the offer to wave his per diem for this evening and posed the question for the other trustees to do the same - Trustee Dvorak waved his per diem.

**Supervisor Jennings** – offered that trustees may contact him privately regarding their position of their per diem for this evening.

**Trustee Shorten** – no report.

**Trustee Gil** – no report.

**Document Signing:**

Going forward at all meetings, this new line item will appear on the agenda – officers/trustees will sign documents before the meeting is adjourned.

**Motion to Adjourn**

**So moved: Trustee Shorten, Seconded: Trustee Dvorak**

**All ayes.**

**Motion carries.**

**Meeting adjourned: 7:41 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted,

Angela P. Koscavage  
Nunda Township Clerk

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**The Board of Trustees** met at the Nunda Township Town Hall, 3510 Bay Road, Crystal Lake, Illinois, on December 10, 2013.

**Present:** Supervisor Jennings, Trustees: Palmer, Shorten, and Dvorak.

Also present: Highway Commissioner Lesperance, Assessor Jagla, Township Attorney Puma, staff and members of the public.

**Supervisor Jennings** called the meeting to order at 7 P.M. Township Clerk, Koscavage recorded the following official business.

**The Pledge of Allegiance** was recited. **Roll call** was answered by Supervisor Jennings, Trustees Palmer, Dvorak, and Shorten. Trustee Gil was absent.

**Public Comments (as Related to Agenda items only):**

Residents made comments regarding the Levy increase.

Supervisor Jennings asked permission to move up Agenda Item 11 – after the Public Comments.

**Motion to allow Supervisor Jennings to respond to public comments for three minutes.**

**So moved: Trustee Palmer, Seconded: Trustee Dvorak**

**Ayes: Trustees Palmer and Dvorak**

**Nay: Trustee Shorten**

**Motion Carries**

**Supervisor Jennings** – reason for requesting levy increase (1)asking for amount of Consumer Price Index, (2)Township doesn't have enough to make it one year to the next without borrowing funds from Road District – no savings in the Township – has done extensive cost cutting – expects to be in black after first year – but this will not increase the savings. General Assistance cases come first – if more General Assistance cases added - it would be negligent not to have a reserve. Proposed 1.7% increase and for the rest of the years to go flat – would be remiss on his duties if not to try to get some reserve built up.

**Line Item 8 (Approval of 2014 Tax Levy) was inserted between Line Item 4 and 5.**

**Public Response - made to Supervisor Jennings report.**

**Motion to Approve:**

**the Road and Bridge Fund, the Permanent hard Road Fund, Road & bridge IMRF Fund, Road & Bridge S.S. Fund, Road & Bridge Insurance Fund.**

**So moved: Trustee Shorten, seconded: Trustee Dvorak**

**Roll Call:**

**All Ayes: Trustees Palmer, Shorten, Dvorak, Supervisor Jennings**

**Motion carries.**

**Motion by Supervisor Jennings to Approve Township, Cemetery and G.A. Funds as posted.**

**A request followed by Trustee Shorten to vote on the Cemetery Fund separately from Town and G.A. Fund.**

**After request by Trustee Shorten, Supervisor Jennings withdrew his motion.**

**Motion by Trustee Shorten to Approve the flat amount of \$19,716.48 for the Cemetery Fund (amount represents a flat levy) Seconded: Trustee Dvorak**

**Roll Call: All Ayes**

**Motion carries.**

**Motion by Trustee Shorten to Approve Township and G.A. As Flat Levy**

**Seconded: Trustee Dvorak**

**Roll Call: Nays: Supervisor Jennings, Trustees: Dvorak, and Trustee Palmer**

**Aye: Trustee Shorten**

**Motion Did Not Carry**

**Trustee Shorten** – Taxpayers nicked and dined to death, neighbors unemployed – lower salaries – health care costs going up – property tax rates across the county are out of control. Last year 3% increase was by-passed – borrowed \$50,000 from Rd. Commission.

**Motion to Approve Township Fund and G.A. Fund as Posted**

**So moved: Trustee Palmer, Seconded Supervisor Jennings**

**Discussion followed.** Supervisor Jennings reiterated a need for a reserve – and that there are no Township savings.

**Motion to Raise the Town and G.A. By 1.7% by the numbers as Posted.**

**Roll call: Ayes: Trustees: Palmer, Dvorak, Jennings**

**Nays: Trustee: Shorten**

**Motion carries.**

**Motion to Approve Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting dated:**

**Tuesday, November 19, 2013**

**So moved: Trustee Shorten, Seconded: Trustee Palmer**

**No Discussion**

**All ayes, no nays, none abstained**

**Motion carries**

**Motion to Approve Township Warrants for approval for payment:**

**December 10, 2013 in the amount of .....\$52,372.45**

**So moved: Trustee Dvorak, Seconded: Trustee Palmer**

**Discussion:**

**Trustee Shorten would like warrant total amounts on cover sheet of trustee packets going forward.**

**Motion to Approve Township Warrants for Approval for payment:**

**December 10, 2013 in the amount of.....\$52,372.45**

**Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Palmer, Shorten, Dvorak, Jennings**

**Nays: none, Abstain: None**

**Motion carries.**

**Motion to Approve Road District Warrants for Approval for payment:  
December 10, 2013 in the amount of.....\$69,277.45**

**So moved: Trustee Shorten, Seconded: Trustee Palmer**

**Discussion: none**

**Roll Call Vote:**

**All Ayes, Nays: none, Abstain: None**

**Motion carries.**

**Motion to Approve Resolution 12-10-13-01 – To Set Holiday Schedule for the Calendar Year 2014**

**So moved: Trustee Palmer, Seconded: Supervisor Jennings**

Discussion followed to clarify which dates to include/exclude. Noted this year's schedule was reduced by half a day. New Years Eve will not be given as a holiday.

**Motion to Approve Resolution 12-10-13-01 – To Set Holiday Schedule for the Calendar Year 2014**

**As Presented:**

**Voice Vote: All ayes**

**Motion carries.**

**Motion to Approve Resolution 12-10-13-02 – To Set & Post the Nunda Township Board Meeting  
Dates for the Calendar Year 2014 as Presented**

**So moved: Trustee Shorten, Seconded: Trustee Palmer**

**Voice Vote: All ayes**

**Motion carries.**

**Reports by Supervisor, Township Clerk, Highway Commissioner, Assessor and Trustees:**

**Supervisor Jennings** – realized vote to increase the levy is contentious and upsetting to residents – heart-filled, asked to have faith in him – if savings can be seen, thinks they will keep levy flat in the future and possibly lower it – feels it's negligent not to have a reserve.

**Township Clerk Koscavage** – no report.

**Highway Commissioner Lesperance** – (1) sent worker to Washington, IL to help out after tornado for two weeks – 14 hrs a day. (2) had first snow and worked with guys plowing. (3) Stated we are a team here (the township) – Lee (supervisor Jennings) is doing a good job so not to impact the taxpayers – he requested to reduce the Road Fund by \$20,000.

**Motion to Reconsider the Road District Tax Ordinance for the General Road Fund – Reduced by  
\$20,000.**

**So moved by: Trustee Shorten, Seconded: Trustee Dvorak**

**Roll call vote: All Ayes.**

**Motion carries.**

**Motion to Amend the Levy Ordinance with a Change in the General Road Fund to reflect the  
amount of .....\$1,165,135.00 and also Changing the Aggregate Sum of Levy on all Taxable  
Property to .....\$3,312,554.00**

**So moved: Trustee Shorten, Seconded: Trustee Dvorak**

**Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.**

**Motion carries.**

**Continuation of Reports:**

**Assessor Jagla** – 1200 appeals filed this year – completed evidence on about half – 600 more appeals to be heard – those to be completed in January.

**Trustee Shorten** – apologies for emotions. Requested a method on web site for constituents to be able to reach the trustees. Also thanked Road Commissioner Lesperance for his offer.

Supervisor Jennings – will leave that up to individuals – if the trustees would like a link to themselves.

**Trustee Dvorak** – Apologized to Attorney Puma if he came off rude when asking he should sit up closer to the front to be heard.

**Trustee Palmer** – our township had people helping out during the flooding – thanked Road Commissioner Lesperance for helping Washington, IL when they needed help – also thanked the Road Commissioner for generously helping out the Town Fund – building up the reserve so money isn't wasted on loan interest.

Supervisor Jennings – also thanked the Road Commissioner for his generous offer – it resolved an issue for the supervisor's office and the citizens – mis-management took place years ago.

**New Business** – none

**Old Business** – none

**Public Comments** - followed.

**Motion to Adjourn**

**So moved: Trustee Palmer, Seconded: Trustee Shorten**

**All Ayes.**

**Motion carries.**

**Adjourned 9:05 P.M.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Angela P. Koscavage  
Nunda Township Clerk**