MEETING MINUTES – BOARD OF TRUSTEES NUNDA TOWNSHIP

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McHenry, County }ss.
Township of Nunda

The Board of Trustees met at the Nunda Township Town Hall, 3510 Bay Road, Crystal Lake, Illinois, on Thursday, November 10, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Supervisor Jennings called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Township Clerk Koscavage recorded the following official business.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Invocation/Prayer: by Lesperance.

Roll call answered by: Shorten, Dvorak, Boltz, Tynis and Jennings Also present: Dzemske, Lesperance, Attorney Jim Rock and residents.

5. Public Comments: (as related to Agenda items only):

Michael Walkup of Walkup Road, C.L. spoke of salaries – Nunda Supervisor, currently around \$70,000 vs. supervisor salary in surrounding areas are around \$7,000, stated the supervisor's job was part-time work with full-time salary. He compared it to the County Board which has lots of meeting with salaries of Board members at \$21,000 per year.

Calculated supervisor's week to be approximately 5-10 hours per week and felt supervisor's salary should be reduced. **Jerry Ray** of Areal Road, McHenry, IL, believes the salary is adequate for the supervisor. Township is not in debt, the roads are in great shape.

Arlene Hammerton of Wildwood Drive, McHenry commented Supervisor has eliminated the Township debt and the \$600,000 loan was paid off three years early. If they don't have to borrow money, she felt the supervisor and road commissioner should receive a salary increase as they have put in many cost savings measures. **Kathleen Bergan Schmidt** of Timberlane Rd., Crystal Lake, followed up to the previous public comment by saying the dollar amount (for salaries) is for salaries going forward (after 2017 officials are elected) and it may not be for the current supervisor and road commissioner.

- **6. Motion to Review and approval of minutes of regular board meeting of October 13, 2016** By: Dvorak; Seconded by: Tynis. No discussion. Voice Vote: All Ayes. Motion carries.
- 7. Motion to Approve for Payment Township Warrants for Thursday, November 10, 2016 in the amount of \$32,199.74 Made by: Boltz; Seconded by: Dvorak. No discussion. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carries.
- 8. Motion to Approve for Payment Road District Warrants for Thursday, November 10, 2016 In the amount of: \$160,902.60 Made by: Boltz; Seconded by: Tynis. No discussion.

Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carries.

9. Discussion and Approval of Posting the 2017 Annual Tax Levy for all Funds of Township including: Town Fund, General Assistance Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, Permanent Hard Road Fund, Road and Bridge IMRF Fund, Road and Bridge Social Security Fund, Road and Bridge Insurance Fund and Cemetery Fund, all as stated. Made by: Tynis; Seconded by: Boltz. Discussion followed. (Levy has been posted outside of the Town Hall for the required number of days) Roll Call: Ayes: Dvorak, Boltz, Tynis, and Jennings. Nay: Shorten. Motion carries.

10. Approval of Resolution #11-10-16-01 - Mileage/Expense Reimbursement

By: Tynis; Seconded by: Jennings. Discussion followed.

Motion to table Resolution 11-10-16-01 until December 8, 2016 Board Meeting.

By: Shorten; Seconded by Dvorak. Motion carries.

11. Approval of Resolution #11-10-16-02 Setting Salaries of Elected Officials beginning 5/17/17 through the third Monday in May, 2021. (Assessor's term will be from January 1, 2018 ending December 31, 2021) Discussion followed.

Motion to Amend Resolution #11-10-16-01 to adjusting Salaries - For All Salaries to Remain Flat

Made By: Shorten. Failed for lack of a Second

Motion to Amend to Salary presented by Jennings (Option #1)

Made by: Boltz; Seconded by: Dvorak. Discussion followed.

Roll Call: Ayes: Dvorak, Boltz, Tynis, and Jennings. Nay: Shorten. Motion carries.

Reports by Supervisor, Town Clerk, Assessor and Trustees

Jennings - Nov 8th election went smoothly. The Township employee's health insurance is down 4.32%. It was a good year with the community garden. A Boy Scout finished his Eagle Scout project by building a covered seat on the Township property across the street from the Town Hall.

Koscavage- Campaigning has begun. Consolidated spring election will be on - Feb 28, 2017; Consolidated election on - April 4, 2017. It was suggested by the clerk, if you are a petitioning candidate, you should contact the Illinois State Board of Elections and visit the website for the official forms. The phone number is: (312)8146440 and web address is: www.elections.il.gov Filing dates/times for candidates will appear in NW Herald under Public Notices (and are posted outside the Town Hall in our glass case).

<u>Lesperance</u> – Reported it has been a productive season for ditching and asphalt crews. Good year maintaining and resurfacing. Crew has done well - trucks and plows ready to go and a report was given of the recycling program intake. Lesperance requested the Town Fund resume taking the health insurance for the (Highway Commissioner's medical) out from the Town fund (as it should be) rather than from the Highway fund now that there are sufficient Town funds to do so.

<u>Dzemske</u> - Suggested everyone visit the Assessor's website. (www.nundatownship.com/assessor). He was glad to see so many residents present at the Board Meeting and suggested people continue to come to the meetings to be informed. He is available for any questions related to property taxes.

Shorten – Thanked Road Commissioner Lesperance for contributing 20% into his insurance. Felt the Board made a bad decision on going with only employee's pay 10%. Questions asked about the election. New Township website looks nice yet seems it is missing information. He would like to see posted on the site: contact information for the trustees, public info such as FOIA laws, budget ordinances, budgets with details as to how much was spent vs budgeted, would like to see copies of audits, all employee's salaries, contracts and copies of bids posted as well.

Dvorak - Asked road commissioner what kind of winter we will have.

Boltz and Tynis - No reports

10. New Business: None

11. Old Business: None

12. Public Comments:

Kathy Bergan Schmidt of Timberlain Drive, C.L., had two observations:

(1) Why doesn't clerk have a computer modem in her office? (2) If Road Commissioner gets to pay 10% and employees 20%, Supervisor, Assessor and Road Commissioner should all have to pay 20% (of their medical) as well. Catherine Williams of Springbrook Rd., C.L., stated it would be nice to have some type of transparent metrics report. (Who – what – how many.) i.e., How many residents came by for brochures, how many for papers notarized? Seventy-four percent (of Township residents) only know the Township paved their roads. She complimented the transparency of the assessor. She was deeply saddened by \$13.00 per hour salary for the Township clerk. Stated, "When I vote for a trustee, I'm placing my trust in you to do the right thing for the residence."

13. Document Signing took place

14. Motion to Adjourn

Made by: Shorten; Seconded by Tynis. Voice Vote: All Ayes. Motion carries.

Adjourned at: 9:12 p.m.

(A full videotaping of all the monthly Board Meetings (excluding Closed Sessions) are maintained by the Township.)

Minutes Approved: January 12, 2017

Respectfully submitted, Angela P. Koscavage Nunda Township Clerk