

LISLE TOWNSHIP
DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 14, 2011

CALL TO ORDER: The Regular Meeting of the Board of Town Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Clarke at 7:30 p.m., at the Lisle Township office, 4711 Indiana Avenue, Lisle, IL.

1. Roll Call:
Physically Present:
Supervisor Charles Clarke
Assessor John Trowbridge
Highway Commissioner Michael Dow
Trustee Patti Voras
Trustee Vito Modica
Trustee Robert Klaeren
Trustee Michael Tams
Clerk Richard Tarulis

Present Electronically:
None

Absent:
None

Others Present:
John Quinn
Mike Prueter
Mike Riedy
Bob Longacre
Len Monson, Township Attorney

2. Resolution to Adopt Public Comment Guidelines: The Open Meetings Act has been amended to require that public bodies allow public comment at meetings, subject to rules which the township must adopt. Clerk Tarulis collected several samples of public comment guidelines, and compiled them into one draft. Trustees discussed the proposed guidelines, and requested that persons desiring to speak on a topic which is on the agenda be allowed to speak at that time during the meeting, but must sign up in advance. Attorney Monson was directed to modify the proposed guidelines accordingly.

Motion by Trustee Modica to approve the Resolution as amended. Second by Trustee Klaeren. Voice vote, all in favor, motion passed.

3. Public Comments: None.

4. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Trustee Tams to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2011 Town Board meeting. Second by Trustee Voras. Voice vote, all in favor, motion passed.

Motion by Trustee Tams to approve the minutes of the January 29, 2011 budget workshop meeting. Second by Trustee Modica. Voice vote, all in favor, motion passed.

5. Tentative Budget for Road Funds: Highway Commissioner Dow mailed copies of the draft budget last month. He noted that the line for early retirement has gone down because one employee retired. The funds were added to the road construction budget because the increased costs for fuel and insurance are unknown at this time. The line for microseal of the roads went down, but that is because last year's budget was high because some work carried over from the prior year due to weather. Mr. Dow noted that he maintains approximately 60 miles of roads. The building on Yender needs landscaping and then will be completely finished. Mr. Dow answered several questions regarding anticipated equipment purchases and services.

Motion by Trustee Modica to approve and post the tentative budget for road funds. Second by Trustee Voras.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Voras, Modica, Klaeren, Tams, Clarke

Nays: None

Absent: None (Motion Passed.)

6. Discussion of Township Attorney Attendance at Meetings: Attorney Monson said it was his opinion that an attorney was not needed at every meeting, and that he should attend only when there was a specific reason. Trustee Klaeren stated that he brought this subject up in order to keep us out of trouble with the Attorney General. He did not think it was fair for the town clerk to be asked for legal advice at meetings. Supervisor Clarke suggested we can send the agenda to the attorney prior to each meeting, and then decide if the attorney should attend. Trustee Modica felt we were being penny wise and pound foolish. He felt it was like buying insurance. Trustee Voras felt if there was nothing on the agenda, why bother having the attorney attend.

Supervisor Clarke said he will have the attorney attend the next few meetings, and then we can re-evaluate the need.

7. Report of Township Officers: Supervisor Clarke reported that the Township website was updated last week. He is looking at quotes for new carpeting. Mr. Clarke also is having the Abatement Ordinance prepared to reduce our tax levy by the same percentage that the budget was reduced this year, approximately 3.14%. The Abatement Ordinance will be on the agenda next month.

8. Other Business: None.

9. Audit of Expenditures:

Motion by Trustee Tams to audit expenditures. Second by Trustee Klaeren. Voice vote, all in favor, motion passed.

The following total expenditures in each fund were reviewed:

Town Fund	\$ 27, 799.18
General Assistance Fund	\$ 9,472.21
Road & Bridge Fund	\$123,219.88

Motion by Trustee Tams to approve the audit of the expenditures. Second by Trustee Klaeren.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Voras, Modica, Klaeren, Tams, Clarke

Nays: None

Absent: None (Motion Passed.)

10. Motion to Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Trustee Voras, second by Trustee Modica. Voice vote, all in favor, motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard J. Tarulis
Township Clerk

** Next regular meeting Wednesday, March 9, 2011, at the Lisle Township office **