

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 Town Hall, 3510 Bay Road, Crystal Lake, Illinois, on Thursday January 11, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Township Clerk Smith recorded the following official business

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited at 7:00 p.m.

Roll call answered by: Trustee: Rob Parrish, Trustee: Justin Franzke, Trustee: Karen Tynis, Trustee: Tim Parrish, Supervisor: Lee Jennings - Absent: Road Commissioner Mike Lesperance. Also present: Assessor Mark Dzemske and residents.

Public Comments:

Several residents residing in Walk Up Woods subdivision and surrounding Nunda Township neighborhoods attended the meeting with concerns regarding a recent purchase of a property located at 4612 Tile Line Rd. in Crystal Lake, IL. purchased by New Directions Sylvester Living which is believed to temporarily house sobriety living transients in a residential area. The following residents addressed the board: Sylvia Schafer, Jim O'Malley, Maria Fox, Joe Wetezl, Ann Marie Poe, Kelly Reems, Chris Evets, Joan Jamerstad, Mr. Sarkady, Phil Haley, Mike Betts, Ed Dvorak, Barbara Wetzl, Rick Kircaoff, Phil Kiefer, Amy McCarthy, Eric Seever, Leslie Kruser.

The residents' concerns regarding the home purchase with regards to the purpose of use as a group home in a residential area were asked:

1. Who is responsible for regulating group homes?
2. How can residents be informed if any occupants are registered sex offenders?
3. Such an operation may bring down surrounding property values?
4. How is this property being subsidized and are they paying property taxes?
5. Are there regulations on parking on the township roads?
6. Do residents have any voice in the type of business brought into residential areas?
7. Concerns were expressed that the residents of this area experienced a decline in property values in recent years and this could possibly effect their values again.
8. Residents agreed these types of organizations are needed but opposed the location of the group home.
9. Frustrations were expressed as surrounding property owners were not given advanced notice of such a business.
10. How can a business be approved for a residential area?

McHenry County Board Member Joe Gottemoller was present to assist in answering residents questions on Group Homes in residential areas and explained zoning for Group Homes in McHenry County, the Fair Housing Act and the zoning authority with respect to Nunda Township and County Zoning Ordinances. Mr. Gottemoller explained the township would not have zoning authority if the County has a Zoning Ordinance in place. Also noted was that the County has reached out to the organization to meet and discuss ordinances and the intention of operations. Mr. Gottemoller suggested the residents attend the County Board and County Zoning meetings seek answers, address concerns and get clarification.

Cemetery Board Member Cyntheea White explained the organizations website states they are getting grants from McHenry County Mental Health Board and that city ordinance says only so many people unrelated can live in a single home.

Eric Doude – McHenry Explained that under the Equal Housing Act the County would be under direction of the Federal Law which would trump the County on Equal Housing Act.

Cemetery Board Member Bill Boltz Suggested the residents attend the County Board meeting to voice concerns.

Motion to review and approval of minutes of regular board meeting dated Thursday, December 14, 2017 as amended: Made by: Karen Tynis; Seconded by: Justin Franzke. Voice Vote: All Ayes. Motion carries

Motion to Approve for Payment Township Warrants for January 11, 2018 in the amount of \$20,593.84. Made by: Justin Franzke; Second by: Karen Tynis. Discussion followed. Roll Call: Rob Parrish (Yes), Justin Franzke (Yes), Tim Parrish (Yes), Karen Tynis (Yes), Lee Jennings (Yes). Motion carries.

Motion to Approve for Payment Road District Warrants for January 11, 2018 in the amount of: \$88,168.42. Made by: Tim Parrish; Seconded by: Justin Franzke. Discussion followed. Roll Call: Tim Parrish (Yes), Karen Tynis (Yes), Justin Franzke (Yes), Rob Parrish (Yes), Lee Jennings (Yes). Motion carries.

Motion to approve Resolution #01-11-18-01 Updated Sexual Harassment Prohibition Policy: Made by: Karen Tynis; Seconded by: Tim Parrish. Voice Vote: All Ayes. Motion carries.

Reports by Supervisor, Town Clerk, Highway Commissioner, Assessor and Trustees:

Supervisor – Explained the video streaming for Township meetings is installed and running and did point out when viewing there is a 2 minutes delay at start and finish of recording.

Township Clerk – None

Trustee – Karen Tynis – None

Trustee – Tim Parrish – Requested adding the Assessors proposed feasibility on the March meeting agenda for discussion.

Trustee – Rob Parrish – Expressed his gratitude towards the boards ability to discuss concerns with residents and agreed with Trustee Tim Parrish to discuss the feasibility proposal.

Trustee – Justin Franzke – None

Cemetery Board Member - Cyntheea White explained that the Cemetery Board will meet every other month in the future.

Cemetery Board Member Bill Boltz - Conquered with Cemetery Board Member Cyntheea White and added the board will have more to report in coming months.

New Business: None

Old Business: - None

Public Comments:

Jeryl Alford of 4809 Tile Line Rd., Crystal Lake inquired about the replacement of the speed bumps on Tile Line Rd. during school season.

Cemetery Board Member Cyntheea White Stated new state law was passed giving voters the opportunity to vote to consolidate Road Districts and voiced her opinion on the benefits of replacing the elected position of Road Commissioner with a hired manager and suggested that the board consider as such.

Document Signing by Officers and Trustees took place

Motion to Adjourn made by: Justin Franzke; Seconded by: Tim Parrish. Voice Vote: All Ayes. Motion carries.

Adjourned at: 9:06 p.m.

(A full videotaping of all the monthly Board Meetings (excluding Closed Sessions) can be viewed on YouTube).

Respectfully submitted,
Joni Smith
Nunda Township Clerk