

Official Proceedings of the Washington Township Board of Trustees
February 5, 2018
Washington Township Center
30200 Town Center Road, Beecher, IL

Supervisor Mike Stanula called the meeting to order at **7:03 p.m.** to pay bills for the month of **January** and transact any other business that may come before the Board of Trustees. The meeting agenda and guest sign-in sheet are attached. Supervisor Stanula led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call:

Present: Supervisor Mike Stanula Trustees: Paul Goldrick, George Obradovich

Absent: Tracy Heldt, Mark Herlitz

Other Officials present:

Clerk Joe Burgess

Approval of the Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes Dated January 4, 2018:

Supervisor Stanula asked if there were any corrections or additions to the January 4, 2018 board meeting minutes as presented. Being none, Stanula asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

Motion:

Trustee Goldrick made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 4, 2018 board meeting as presented. Trustee Obradovich seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion.

Roll call vote as follows: Goldrick – yes, Obradovich – yes, Stanula – yes.

Motion passed 3-0.

Approval of the Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes Dated January 29, 2018

Supervisor Stanula asked if there were any corrections or additions to the January 29, 2018 board meeting minutes as presented. Being none, Stanula asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

Motion:

Trustee Obradovich made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 29, 2018 board meeting as presented. Trustee Goldrick seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. Roll call vote as follows: Obradovich – yes, Goldrick – yes, Stanula – yes.

Motion passed 3-0.

Public Commentary:

None

Reports:

1. Road Commissioner – Commissioner Meyer was not in attendance but provided the Board with a written report. Supervisor Stanula read his report (attached).
2. Assessor – No report, Assessor Blume was not in attendance.

3. Clerk – Burgess reported that 34 seniors attended the Senior Pizza & Movie Matinee on January 20. The Board reviewed a schedule of proposed 2018 Senior Events and the date for the Senior Holiday Dinner will be pushed back one week to December 11, if possible. Early voting for the March election will be held at the Washington Township Center beginning on March 5 until March 16. Voting will be held Monday through Friday from 9 am to 3 pm. Office Coordinator Tammy Hitzelburger will be attending early voting training on February 14th.
4. Supervisor's Report – The 2018 Will County Will Ride Intergovernmental Agreement has been received. The agreement will renew automatically unless either party provides a notice of cancellation. Supervisor Stanula will sign and return the agreement.
5. Trustee's Report – No report.
6. Transportation Report – Will Ride provided 109 trips in October and the Washington Township Dial-a-Ride service provided 15 rides in January for residents traveling within Washington Township. It was noted that the number of trips provided by Will Ride has averaged approximately 55 trips over the last few months, but increased to 96 and 109 trips in the last two months. The program was originally designed for medical trips only and Stanula will have Tammy Hitzelburger ask Will Ride for a detailed breakdown of trips to ensure the rides are all medical in nature.
7. General Assistance Report – Supervisor Stanula reported that there was no GA activity in January.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. BSSI Cottage Grove / Indiana Ave Solar Project Presentation – Alexander Farkes, a Director of Project Development for Borrego Solar addressed the Board and asked if the Board would be approving their Cottage Grove projects at this meeting and if he could answer any additional questions regarding the project. He requested that if the Board approves the projects, that two letters of recommendation were written, one for each project. (North and south Cottage Grove projects)

Supervisor Stanula explained that he and the Board had concerns about the final aesthetics of the project and if drainage and run-off water has been properly addressed. Stanula said he preferred a natural buffer including evergreen trees that would make the project less noticeable, especially on the sides of the project that were visible from the road. Mr. Farkes said Will County has recently approved a solar farm in Crete and the county insisted on landscaping provisions prior to approval. The County requested a “vegetative buffer” and he believed the county was going to maintain those requirements for all solar farm projects located in the county. Farkes recommended that the township add verbiage asking for a “vegetative buffer” or other suitable aesthetics. He said the county Board was adamant about representatives from Borrego meeting with local government units prior to meeting with the Will County.

Regarding drainage, Farkes said he knew of a fixed panel project that was 10-times larger than the Cottage Grove projects and there were no issues with drainage. Supervisor Stanula questioned Farkes response and asked if a drainage plan was considered. Farkes explained that the articulating panels to be used on this site would always follow the sun and rainwater

would drain differently based on the direction the panels would be pointing at the time. He also said that the vegetation planted would keep the water from eroding the soil. He did tell the Board that Borrego is preparing a drainage study on run-off water for the county.

Trustee Goldrick expressed concerns over the county requesting the same aesthetics for this project because it was in a very rural setting and he didn't believe this project would carry the same weight as other projects in other areas such as Crete and Frankfort. Trustee Obradovich believed the county would be consistent in the way they handle all solar farm projects. It was recommended that the project be approved with stipulations addressing the Board's concerns regarding the aesthetics and drainage of the project.

MOTION: Trustee Obradovich made a motion to recommend approval of two Special Use Permits (ZC-17-071 & ZC17-072) to allow Borrego Solar Systems to construct two solar farms located at E Indiana Ave and Cottage Grove with the following stipulations. (1) The aesthetics surrounding the project are consistent with Will County's landscaping ordinances and (2) drainage studies for the project be verified. Trustee Goldrick seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. Roll Call vote: Goldrick – yes, Obradovich – yes, Stanula – yes. **Motion passed 3-0.**

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Consideration and Approval of Pending Zoning Applications – There were no applications to discuss.
2. Consideration to Open the Closed Executive Session Minutes Dated March 23, 2010
3. Consideration to Open the Closed Executive Session Minutes Dated January 7, 2013
4. Consideration to Open the Closed Executive Session Minutes Dated July 1, 2013
5. Consideration to Open the Closed Executive Session Minutes Dated February 3, 2014
6. Consideration to Open the Closed Executive Session Minutes Dated January 4, 2016 – A recommendation was made that all the Executive Session minutes under review remain closed and only one motion be made that would include all the minutes under consideration.

MOTION:

Trustee Goldrick made a motion that the Closed Session minutes dated March 23, 2010, January 7, 2013, July 1, 2013, February 3, 2014 and January 4, 2016 all remain closed to the public. Trustee Obradovich seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. Roll Call vote: Goldrick – yes, Obradovich – yes, Stanula – yes. **Motion passed 3-0.**

7. Consideration and Approval of the 2018 Annual Town Meeting Agenda – Clerk Burgess reported that residents have until March 1 to request an item be added to the Annual Town Meeting agenda. The Board may approve the meeting agenda after the March 1st deadline.
8. Request to Set a Cutoff Date for Monthly Bills – Clerk Burgess requested that a cut-off date for paying bills each month be established to ensure his office has time to properly review and prepare the Board package for each meeting. Burgess explained that checks for the

month were being cut right up to the end of the month and it prevents the monthly Board packet from being prepared in a timely manner. Supervisor Stanula indicated that all checks for future meetings may be processed up to 7-days before the meeting. Checks processed after the closing date will be processed for the following month.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Road & Bridge Bills

The board reviewed the Road District bills as prepared by Commissioner Meyer and presented by the Clerk.

MOTION:

Trustee Goldrick made a motion to authorize payment of all applicable payroll, bills, and appropriate transfers or debits for the Road & Bridge Account totaling **\$32,296.86**. Trustee Obradovich seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion.

Roll Call vote: Goldrick – yes, Obradovich – yes, Stanula – yes. **Motion passed 3-0.**

Town Account (including Transportation Fund)

The board reviewed the bills as prepared by the Supervisor and presented by the Clerk.

MOTION:

Trustee Goldrick made a motion to authorize payment of all applicable payroll, bills, debits and appropriate transfers for the Town Account totaling **\$9,669.07**. Trustee Obradovich seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion.

Roll Call vote: Goldrick – yes, Obradovich – yes, Stanula – yes. **Motion passed 3-0.**

Upcoming Seminars and Meetings:

- **March 5, 2018** - Washington Township Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.


Announcements:

- None

Adjournment:

Being no other business or discussion, Trustee Obradovich made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Goldrick seconded the motion. Being no discussion and after being unanimously approved by voice vote, the Board Meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Joseph Burgess – Town Clerk

Approved by Board of Trustees: 3/5/2018

Washington Township

Jerry K. Meyer

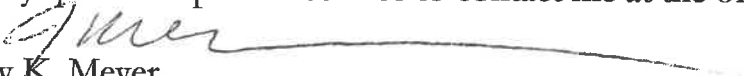
Highway Commissioner

February 5, 2018

To the Board of Trustees of Washington Township

- Winter is here
- We plowed and or salted 11 events so far this year
- Doing service work in the shop on equipment
- We are getting 100 ton of salt in this week
- When the weather permitted we were cold patch and when it warms up will continue patching
- We had our biannual bridge inspection all bridges pass some with just minor work to be done.

If there are any questions please feel free to contact me at the office.


Jerry K. Meyer
Commissioner

February 5th, 2018

From the GA Office

There were no disbursement for the month of JANUARY, 2018.

**Approved Claims - Board of Township Trustees
Road & Bridge Account**

State of Illinois)
Will County) ss.
Washington Township)

**We the undersigned, comprising the Board of Trustees of
Washington Township, having duly met at the Clerks office on February 5, 2018, for the
purpose of auditing the Road & Bridge account, do hereby certify that the following claims or demands
against said township were presented, and examined, were allowed at said meeting, to wit:**

Claim #	Date	To Whom Allowed	Ck #	Nature of Claim	Amount
7307	1/9	Dahlberg Accounting	7897	Professional services - Inv # 121923	\$178.75
7308	1/11	Lowell NAPA	7898	Parts & supplies - Inv # 064661 / 066642	\$174.02
7309	1/11	Gallagher Materials	7899	Asphalt patch - Inv # 4405	\$847.28
7310	1/11	Village of Beecher	7900	Equipment Fuel - 12/1/17 to 12/31/17 - Inv # 443	\$1,409.10
7311	1/11	RP Lumber	7901	Supplies - Inv # 1712-0192058	\$3.37
7312	1/11	Surf Air Wireless	7902	Internet service - Inv # 57091	\$64.95
7313	1/11	Pozzo IL Inc.	7903	Parts - Inv # B121381	\$26.60
7314	1/11	DeJong Equipment	7904	Parts - Inv # CR05364	\$10.98
7315	1/11	AT&T	7905	Phone bill (946-6459) Inv # 7089466459-01 - Bill date - 1/1/18	\$118.47
7316	1/11	ComEd	7906	Utilities - Acct #1659047007 - Bill date - 1/2/18	\$217.12
7317	1/11	Airgas USA	7907	Cylinder leases - Inv # 9950579734	\$180.40
7318	1/11	Prairie Disposal	7908	Refuse service Jan-June 2018 - Inv # 60420	\$282.00
7319	1/12	Cintas	7909	Uniforms - 12/1 to 12/31/17	\$326.40
7320	1/23	Verizon Wireless	7910	Phones - Acct # 687108624 - Inv # 9797640332	\$91.64
7321	1/23	NICOR	7911	Utilities - Gas - Acct #58285823769 - Bill date 12/11/17	\$343.26
7322	1/23	Beecher Hardware	7912	Supplies - Multiple invoices	\$79.03
7323	1/31	East Central Highway Commissioner Assoc.	7913	Training	\$40.00
7324	1/31	Gallagher Materials Corp.	7914	Asphalt patch	\$838.95
7325	1/31	ATT Mobility	7915	Wireless charges - Inv #	\$22.32
7326	1/31	My Battery Supplier	7916	Parts	\$8.99
7327	1/11	Deluxe Business Check	EFT	Business checks	\$109.28
7328	1/26	Village of Beecher	EFT	RB Health Insurance - Inv # 2018-01-02	\$4,245.73
7329	1/31	January Payroll - QuickBooks	Misc	Payroll, IMRF & other government payroll liabilities	\$22,678.22
Total disbursements					\$32,296.86

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the members of said Board of Trustees, hereunto
set our hands on February 5, 2018.



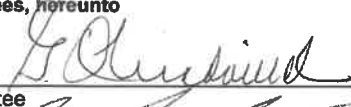
Road Commissioner




Township Clerk



Supervisor



Trustee



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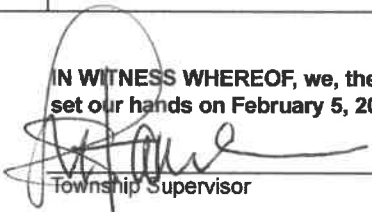
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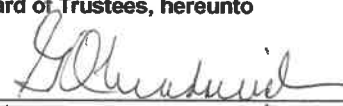
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purpose of auditing Town accounts, do hereby certify that the following claims or demands
against said township were presented, and examined, were allowed at said meeting, to wit:

Claim #	Date	To Whom Allowed	CK	Nature of Claim	Amount
4871	1/9	Village of Beecher	7720	Bus fuel - 12/1/17 to 12/31/17 - Inv # 444	\$35.19
4872	1/9	Pace Vanpool	7721	Monthly Charges - 11/27/17 Inv # 493883	\$100.00
4873	1/9	Chicago Food Depository	7722	Food Pantry (Beecher Bunco Club donations)	\$130.00
4874	1/9	CornEd	7723	Electric bill - Acct # 4341116018 - Bill date 12/29/17	\$345.40
4875	1/9	Spectrotel	7724	Phone service - Acct # 343999 - Inv # 8391082	\$210.46
4876	1/9	Comcast	7725	Internet and Cable # 10295 - Bill date - 12/24/17	\$196.97
4877	1/9	Walt's Foods	7726	Senior Dinner - Inv # 00116340	\$30.68
4878	1/9	Dahlberg Accounting	7727	Professional services - Inv # 121924	\$520.00
4879	1/22	Walt's Foods	7728	Movie Matinee food - Inv # 76021	\$20.11
4880	1/22	Tony's Pizza	7729	Food for Senior Movie Matinee - Inv # 91860	\$120.00
4881	1/22	Beecher Hardware	7730	Office supplies - Inv # A149449	\$4.79
4882	1/22	Verizon Wireless	7731	Cellular phones - Acct # 485462600 / Inv # 9799425406	\$66.49
4883	1/22	Flowers & Stones	7732	Flower for Senior Dinner - Inv # 2298	\$172.80
4884	1/22	Quill Corporation	7733	Office supplies - Inv # 3799267 / 4041192	\$71.15
4885	1/22	Beecher Amvets	7734	Senior Dinner Hall Rental - 2017	\$250.00
4886	1/23	NICOR	7735	Utilities gas - #55877029193 - Bill date - 1/10/18	\$265.49
4887	1/24	Beecher Chamber of Commerce	7736	2018 Annual Membership Dues	\$150.00
4888	1/29	Cardinal Creek Golf Course	7737	April 2018- Senior Breakfast deposit	\$100.00
4889	1/12	Deluxe Business Checks	EFT	Business Checks	\$109.28
4890	1/15	QuickBooks Payroll Service	EFT	Payroll fees	\$31.88
4891	1/31	January Payroll - QuickBooks	Debit	ALL payroll, IMRF & other government payroll liabilities	\$6,738.38
				TOTAL ALL DISBURSEMENTS	\$9,669.07

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the members of said Board of Trustees, hereunto
set our hands on February 5, 2018.


Township Supervisor


Township Clerk


Trustee


Trustee

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**Washington Township Board Meeting
February 5, 2018 - 7:00 pm
Meeting Agenda**

Call to Order / Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes Dated January 4, 2018

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes Dated January 29, 2018

Public Commentary

Reports

1. Road Commissioner
2. Assessor
3. Clerk
4. Supervisor's Report
5. Trustee's Report
6. Transportation Report
7. General Assistance Report

Old Business

1. BSSI Cottage Grove / Indiana Ave - Solar Project
- 2.

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7. Consideration and Approval of the 2018 Annual Town Meeting Agenda

Payment of Bills

Upcoming Seminars and Meetings

- **March 4, 2018 – Washington Township Board Meeting - 7:00 PM**

Announcements

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Adjournment

Any disabled person requiring special accommodations should notify Supervisor Mike Stanula ***prior*** to the meeting date to make necessary arrangements. Supervisor Stanula may be reached at 946-2026.

A CLOSED (EXECUTIVE) SESSION MAY BE HELD AT ANY POINT DURING THE MEETING.

