MINUTES – BOARD OF TOWN TRUSTEES

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THE BOARD OF TOWN TRUSTEES met at the office of the Town Clerk, 359 Merrill Ct., Libertyville on Thursday, May 11, 2017.

Kathleen M. O’Connor--------SUPERVISOR
Anne Hansen----------------------CLERK
Lawrence W. Falbe-------------TRUSTEE
David Nield---------------------TRUSTEE
Robin M. O’Connor------------TRUSTEE
Terry A. White---------------TRUSTEE

Supervisor O’Connor called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. Pledge to the Flag, roll call and all Board Members were present. Also present were: Marty Neal, Highway Commissioner, Peggy Freese, Assessor, Joy Bux, Accounting and Financial Specialist, Mike Zorn, Highway Department Maintenance Manager, Damon Cederberg, Open Space Field Coordinator, Jon Happ, Open Space Field Coordinator, Andrew Lindquist, Natural Areas Restoration Technician, and Gloria Dall, Administrative Assistant.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 27, 2017
A motion by Trustee Falbe, seconded by Trustee O’Connor, to approve the April 27, 2017 minutes, all in favor, aye. There was no additional discussion. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS
TOWN FUND
Motion by Trustee White with a second by Trustee Falbe to approve the expenditures from the Town Fund in the amount of $27,987.24. On roll call vote: Trustee White, aye, Trustee O’Connor, aye, Trustee Falbe, aye Trustee Nield, aye, Supervisor O’Connor, aye. There was no additional discussion. Motion carried.

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND
Motion by Trustee Falbe and a second by Trustee O’Connor to approve the expenditures from the Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of $6,002.72. On roll call vote: Trustee White, aye, Trustee O’Connor, aye, Trustee Falbe, aye, Trustee Nield, aye, Supervisor O’Connor, aye. There was no additional discussion. Motion carried.

OPEN SPACE FUND
Motion by Trustee Falbe and a second by Trustee Nield to approve the expenditures from the Open Space Fund in the amount of $5,864.82. On roll call vote: Trustee White, aye, Trustee O’Connor, aye, Trustee Falbe, aye, Trustee Nield, aye, Supervisor O’Connor, aye. There was no additional discussion. Motion carried.
Citizens’ Comments – None

TOWNSHIP REPORTS:

Assessor’s Report
Assessor Freese said the tax bills went out May 1st. Assessor Freese said residents 65 years of age or older are eligible for the Senior Homestead Exemption. In addition, they may be eligible for the Senior Freeze if income their annual is $55,000 or less.

Clerk’s Report
Clerk Hansen said there will soon be a Facebook page for the “Libertyville, My Kind of Township 5K”.

Highway Commissioner’s Report
Highway Commissioner Marty Neal said the Lake County Sheriff’s Office continues patrols on Casey Road and Rockland Road. The speeding has decreased as a result. The Road District has been working on some drainage issues in the Township.

There will be a Special Meeting Tuesday, May 23rd to review the Phase I Rockland Road engineering study. The meeting will include a question and answer segment.

Supervisor’s Report – None

Trustee’s Report – None

DOCUMENT OF PRESENTATION
a. Proclamation presented to Lawrence W. Falbe
b. Proclamation presented to Robin M. O’Connor
Supervisor O’Connor said tonight is the last meeting that Trustee Falbe and Trustee O’Connor are serving. Supervisor O’Connor read and presented each Trustee their Proclamation. Trustee Falbe thanked the Supervisor.

Trustee O’Connor thanked all the Township citizens for giving her the opportunity to serve 3 terms. She said she believes in term limits. She stated she has learned a lot from the position and has served with dedicated individuals who have always strived to do their best.

RESOLUTION 2017 – R – 6
APPOINTMENT OF AUGUST W. HOCK TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LIBERTYVILLE FIRE PROTECTION BOARD – DISCUSSION & VOTE
Supervisor O’Connor said the Township annually appoints a Trustee of the Libertyville Fire Protection Board based on the recommendation received from the Libertyville Fire Protection Board. The Board has recommended the reappointment of August Hock. August Hock was asked to provide comment to the Board. He explained two senior developments are under construction which will impact the Fire District. The Hilltop
Development will be annexed into the District. It is projected the Spectrum Development will create an additional 400 calls per year. He stated the Fire District is prepared for the increase and are working closely with Lake Forest and Green Oaks. In addition, new equipment has been purchased in Station 3.

A motion by Trustee Nield, seconded by Trustee Falbe to waive the reading and approve the appointment of August W. Hock to the Libertyville Fire Protection Board. There was no additional discussion. On roll call vote: Trustee White, aye, Trustee O’Connor, aye, Trustee Falbe, aye, Trustee Nield, aye, Supervisor O’Connor, aye. No additional discussion. Motion carried. Clerk Hansen administered the Oath to August W. Hock.

APPROVAL TO ENGAGE MANHARD CONSULTING FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATED TO THE MS4 PERMIT – DISCUSSION & VOTE:
Supervisor O’Connor said the MS4 Permit is an unfunded mandate. She explained the firm is engaged to assist the Township with the compliance of the permit.

A motion by Trustee Falbe, seconded by Trustee White to engage Manhard Consulting Professional Services related to the MS4 Permit. There was no additional discussion. On roll call vote: Trustee White, aye, Trustee O’Connor, aye, Trustee Falbe, aye, Trustee Nield, aye, Supervisor O’Connor, aye. Motion carried.

2017-18 BOARD BUDGET DISCUSSION: ROAD AND BRIDGE/TOWN
Supervisor O’Connor stated the Road and Bridge and Town budgets have not changed since the April 27th meeting. Copies of the Town and Road Budget were available for the public to review. Assessor Freese stated there was a typo on “printing and publishing”. The Supervisor said the adjustment will be made.

A MOTION TO CLOSE THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING AND OPEN THE BUDGET HEARING – VOTE
A motion by Trustee Falbe to close the regular board meeting and open the budget hearing, seconded by Trustee O’Connor, all in favor, aye. There was no additional discussion. Motion carried.

Supervisor O’Connor opened the floor for citizens’ comments on the Road & Bridge and Town Budgets. There were no citizens’ comments regarding either budget.

ROAD AND BRIDGE BUDGET – VOTE
A motion by Trustee Nield, seconded by Trustee White to approve the Road and Bridge Budget for fiscal year 2017-18 as presented. There was no additional discussion. On roll call vote: Trustee White, aye, Trustee O’Connor, aye, Trustee Falbe, aye, Trustee Nield aye, Supervisor O’Connor, aye. Motion carried.

A MOTION TO CLOSE THE BUDGET HEARING AND OPEN THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING – VOTE - Time 7:27 P.M.
A motion by Trustee Falbe to close the budget hearing and open the regular board meeting, seconded by Trustee Nield, all in favor, aye. Motion carried. Supervisor O’Connor asked if there was any further discussion on the Town Budget. None was offered.

TOWNSHIP BUDGET DISCUSSION - VOTE
A motion by Trustee Falbe, seconded by Trustee Nield to approve the Township Budget for fiscal year 2017-18 with corrections noted. There was no additional discussion. On roll call vote: Trustee White, aye, Trustee O’Connor, aye, Trustee Falbe, aye, Trustee Nield, aye, Supervisor O’Connor, aye. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS
Supervisor O’Connor attended the Illinois Nature Preserve Commission Meeting. Final dedication for the Donnelly Nature Preserve Buffer addition to the Liberty Prairie Nature Preserve was approved. Preliminary approval for the Donnelly Nature Preserve addition to Almond Marsh was also approved. It is anticipated final approval will occur in September.

Trustee Nield offered additional comments on the previous meeting’s discussion on the naming of Casey Road property. Trustee Nield wanted the new Board Members to consider, in the future, naming a portion of the Open Space “Farmer’s Prairie”, in deference to the farmers who have been stewards to much of the land. He suggested the Board to consider naming land after former Supervisors Ralph Swank and “F.T.” Mike Graham since they made considerable strides to preserve Open Space.

Trustee O’Connor said the Casey Road property is very unique and the land will outlast all of us. We must be mindful of the opportunities to name the pioneers before us, and honor the voices of the past.

Trustee White said there has been considerable collateral damage pre 1996. Cautioned the Board about naming property that may anger those that were harmed by the efforts.

NEW BUSINESS – None

ADJOURNMENT
A motion to adjourn by Trustee Falbe and a second by Trustee O’Connor. All in favor, aye. Motion carried.

Time: 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]
Anne Hansen, Township Clerk