

LOCKPORT, ILLINOIS

JANUARY 9, 2017

TOWN CLERK'S RECORD BOOK

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The Lockport Township Board of Trustees met in the Central Square Board Room 318, 222 East Ninth Street, Lockport, Illinois on Monday January 9, 2017 at 7:12 PM with Supervisor Ron Alberico presided.

Present were Supervisor Ron Alberico, Trustees John Batusich, Barb Boyce, Mike Lewandowski and Dean Morelli, Assessor Debbi Mason, Clerk Denise Mushro Rumchak, Highway Commissioner John Cielenski, Attorney Gary Mueller, Deputy Clerk Jessica Strickland and Resident Grant Spooner filming the meeting. Also present were Barb Delaney, Ron Cornolo and Cecilia Disomma. Absent was Lance McCalla. The meeting agenda was posted at the Crest Hill & Lockport Libraries, the Joliet Herald News, at the Central Square Building, on the Township's website (Clerk's section) and on the Board Room door.

On a Motion of Morelli, seconded by Lewandowski to approve the minutes from the workshop meeting held on December 8, 2016 and the previous regular monthly meeting held on December 12, 2016.

MOTION CARRIED

Trustee Morelli asked Supervisor Alberico if the Township is caught up with paying the contactors in full for the renovation of the building. Supervisor Alberico stated there will be additional renovation bills to be approved next month. The Township still needs to pay the remaining 10% of monies for the main contractor once their work is complete.

Clerk Rumchak asked Supervisor Alberico if the line item for \$85,000.00 (Central Square Building Maintenance) that is appropriated for rent for the year, would be removed due to the Township moving into the new building. Supervisor Alberico stated yes and commented that Central Square is not affiliated with the Township anymore. He explained there is one more Central Square meeting to make sure all bills are paid in full from the Township and then the City of Lockport will be responsible for the maintenance. Supervisor Alberico mentioned the Township should receive a reimbursement from that line item.

On a Motion of Batusich, seconded by Boyce to approve the total bills and payroll in the amount of \$415,132.34. Roll call vote resulted in Alberico Aye, Batusich Aye, Boyce Aye, Lewandowski Aye, and Morelli Aye.

MOTION CARRIED

Assessor's Report- Assessor Mason had no report.

Clerk's Report- Clerk Rumchak announced December 19, 2016 was the last day of the filing period for the April 4, 2017 Consolidated Election. The Clerk's office remained open until 5:00 PM on this day.

Clerk Rumchak mentioned the last day to file an objection was extended by the State Board of Elections due to the holiday and no objections were filed with her office.

Clerk Rumchak stated that vote by mail applications are being accepted now for the election and the ballots will not be mailed out until February 23, 2017. If anyone is interested in requesting an application, please give the Clerk's office a call at 815-838-1031.

Clerk Rumchak announced that early voting will take place in her new office located on Farrell Road starting March 20, 2017 through April 3, 2017. The Clerk's office hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00 to 4:00 and Saturdays from 9:00 to Noon. On April 3, 2017, the Clerk's office will remain open until 5:00 PM.

The April 4, 2017 Consolidated Election includes the municipalities for Crest Hill, Lockport and Romeoville, townships, park districts, library districts and fire protection district.

Central Square Report- Supervisor Alberico stated the Central Square Report will remain on the agenda for the next meeting to discuss what bills need to be paid and the reimbursement amount from the dissolution. Supervisor Alberico mentioned that the City of Lockport is currently renovating the third floor of Central Square building.

Old Business- Supervisor Alberico proudly announced that Eastern University held their Student Teacher Conference today in the new Lockport Township community room. The conference included 55-60 student teachers in attendance. The Eastern University coordinator, Roger, thanked the Township for the use of the building. Supervisor Alberico expressed his sympathy for the recent passing of Al McCowan who had initially requested permission from the Board to utilize the community room for these conferences.

Supervisor Alberico announced Lockport Township Government moved into the new building the week of Christmas and New Year. The elevator is working and has received the proper tags from the state. He also reported the Township has received the certificate of occupancy the last week of December. The Lockport Township Government opened on January 3, 2017 to the public at the new location located on Farrell Road.

Supervisor Alberico mentioned the Food Pantry and Meals on Wheels have addressed the Board in regards to occupying the new building for their new location. Supervisor Alberico was advised by Attorney Mueller to wait to finalize any agreements between these companies until after the election. Supervisor Alberico expressed he would not feel comfortable signing a contract with these companies before the election without knowing if he still will hold the position of Supervisor. He also commented he will still proceed with setting up the preliminary with both companies.

Meeting and Correspondence- Supervisor Alberico received a thank you letter from CASA of Will County for the use of the Township's bus for their Christmas program.

Supervisor Alberico received a letter from a resident thanking the Board for the grocery gift card they received from the Township.

On a Motion of Batusich, seconded by Boyce to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 PM.

MOTION CARRIED

DENISE MUSHRO RUMCHAK, TOWN CLERK