

MINUTES - BOARD of TOWN TRUSTEES

STATE of ILLINOIS

TYPE OF MEETING HELD: Regular

LASALLE COUNTY,

SS.

TIME MEETING BEGAN: 5:00pm

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TOWN of BRUCE

TIME MEETING ENDED: 5:24pm

The December 11, 2019 meeting of the Bruce Township Board of Trustees opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Highway Commissioner John M. Barton was in attendance. Trustee Scott Orban and Assessor Mary Sullivan were absent from the meeting. The meeting was conducted by Mr. Henry Araujo as chairman and recorded by Clerk Marsha Johnston.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING'S MINUTES:

The first order of business was to read and approve the minutes from the November 13, 2019 Regular Meeting.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Christensen

2nd BY: Trustee Baumrucker

That the minutes of the November 13, 2019 Regular Meeting be approved. No further discussion was required.

Aye's: 4

Nay's: 0

Motion: Carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

TREASURER'S REPORT/APPROVAL OF BILLS

A summary of the bills was distributed for review.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Baumrucker

2nd BY: Trustee Christensen

That the bills be allowed and paid for TOWNSHIP

No further discussion was required. Clerk Johnston took the roll call vote:

Trustee Randy Baumrucker: aye

Trustee Jerry Christensen: aye

Trustee Bob Harrison: aye

Trustee Scott Orban:

Supervisor Henry Araujo: aye

Aye's: 4

Nay's: 0

Motion: Carried

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Harrison

2nd BY: Trustee Christensen

That the bills be allowed and paid for GENERAL ASSISTANCE

No further discussion was required. Clerk Johnston took the roll call vote:

Trustee Randy Baumrucker: aye

Trustee Jerry Christensen: aye

Trustee Bob Harrison: aye

Trustee Scott Orban:

Supervisor Henry Araujo: aye

Aye's: 4

Nay's: 0

Motion: Carried

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MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Baumrucker
That the bills be allowed and paid for ROAD and BRIDGE

2nd BY: Trustee Harrison

No further discussion was required. Clerk Johnston took the roll call vote:

Trustee Randy Baumrucker: aye

Trustee Jerry Christensen: aye

Trustee Bob Harrison: aye

Trustee Scott Orban:

Supervisor Henry Araujo: aye

Aye's: 4

Nay's: 0

Motion: Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SUPERVISOR'S:

The township received a Thank You card from the St Vincent de Paul for letting them use the township hall. They have a seminar where they can help people learn how to manage their money.

The township also received a letter from Streater Unlimited asking for a donation. Discussion was held and at this time the township would not be able to make a donation. Trustee Christensen asked if a miscellaneous line item could be added in the future budgets. A certain amount could be added and after the amount is used for donations, no more would be given. Another suggestion from Trustee Christensen would be to use rental income from the hall since it is not taxpayers' money.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S:

Commissioner Barton stated he is waiting for the shed to be built. It should take 2 days to built the shed. The township has had one delivery of salt just after Halloween and not much has been used yet. Mr. Barton also uses leftover pea gravel and cinders mixed in with the salt for some areas. His crew has been busy getting maintenance done on the trucks for the upcoming winter season. When weather permits, tree trimming is done around the township.

ASSESSOR'S:

Assessor Sullivan was attending an annual meeting for LaSalle County assessors which they are obligated to attend in Ottawa at the Governmental Complex. She will report to the trustees at the January meeting. Clerk Johnston read her report about the doings of the assessor's office. Their office is a drop off point for toy collection for "Christmas 4 Kids" program. Gifts will be given to children listed with DCFS, ADV, and YSB. The toys will be picked up on December 20, 2019. Any new toy or gift item (or gift card) is accepted and should be unwrapped. The children receiving the gifts are newborn to age 17. We share this information regularly on our Facebook page and the public has been very supportive.

TRUSTEE'S:

None

OTHER:

There were no other reports presented.

REPORTS BY SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

HEALTH BOARD:

None

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OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Clerk Johnston has the new 2020 "Loss Control Policy" policy that needs to be signed by the trustees, supervisor, assessor, clerk, and road commissioner. It will then be sent to the LaSalle County Clerk and also will be sent to our auditors.

Clerk Johnston also stated that she has sent the names, addresses, and phone numbers of the elected officials and non-elected personnel who worked for Bruce Township in 2019 to the LaSalle County Clerk for the Statement of Economic Interest.

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Harrison 2nd BY: Supervisor Araujo
That the meeting be adjourned.

Aye's: 4 Nay's: 0 Motion: Carried

