

MINUTES OF CORDOVA TOWNSHIP REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

February 21, 2011 – 7 p.m.

Cordova Township Office

Approved March 21, 2011

Supervisor, Jon Kavanaugh, called the regular monthly meeting of the Cordova Township Board of Trustees to order at 7 p.m. in the Cordova Township Office on February 21, 2011.

Present: Jon Kavanaugh, Supervisor, JoAnne Boone, Robert Coers, and Bonnie Hanna, Trustees.

Trustee Morris McLaughlin was absent.

Also present: Pam Bruner, Cordova Township Civic Center and Cemetery Manager, Sandy Gustafson, Clerk and Chris Filbert, Road Commissioner.

Supervisor Kavanaugh led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bonnie Hanna made a motion, seconded by Robert Coers, to approve the January 17, 2011, minutes of the Cordova Township regular monthly meeting. Ayes: Boone, Coers, Hanna and Kavanaugh. No's: none. Motion carried.

Communications:

- A. The Clerk reminded the Board of the upcoming TOI Education District programs. If you are interested in attending, please let her know.
- B. The Board had received requests for donations from both the Erie After-Prom and the Riverdale Prom Committees. Supervisor Kavanaugh made a motion, seconded by Robert Coers, to donate \$100 to both the Erie After-Prom and Riverdale Prom Committees. Ayes: Boone, Coers, Hanna and Kavanaugh. No's: none. Motion carried.
- C. The Board discussed the donation request from Ann's Helping Hands for their "Fun Day Event" in August. Jon Kavanaugh made a motion, seconded by Bonnie Hanna, to table that request until more information could be obtained. Ayes: Boone, Coers, Hanna and Kavanaugh. No's: none. Motion carried.
- D. The Board discussed participating in the recognition of the 70th anniversary of the TOI magazine, *Township Perspective*. Cordova Township and Cordova Road & Bridge District decided it would do this by sharing an ad to run in the 70th Anniversary edition of the *Township Perspective*. Supervisor Kavanaugh made a motion, seconded by JoAnne Boone, to share the cost of running a one-quarter page ad in the 70th Anniversary issue of the *Township Perspective*. The cost of the ad will be \$240 with Township paying \$120 and Road & Bridge also paying \$120. Ayes: Boone, Coers, Hanna and Kavanaugh. No's: none. Motion carried.

Citizens Wishing to Address the Board: None

Approval of Bills/Financial Reports:

The Road District statements of revenue and expenses for January, 2011, were reviewed. Jon Kavanaugh made a motion, seconded by JoAnne Boone, to approve the January, 2011, Road District bills. Ayes: Boone, Coers, Hanna and Kavanaugh. No's: none. Motion carried.

The Town Fund statements of revenue and expenses for January, 2011, were reviewed. Robert Coers made a motion, seconded by JoAnne Boone, to approve for payment the January, 2011, Town Fund bills. Ayes: Boone, Coers, Hanna and Kavanaugh. No's: none. Motion carried.

The General Assistance statements of revenue and expenses for January, 2011, were reviewed. JoAnne Boone made a motion, seconded by Bonnie Hanna, to approve the General Assistance bills for January, 2011, for payment. Ayes: Boone, Coers, Hanna and Kavanaugh. No's: none. Motion carried.

The Civic Center statements of revenue and expenses for January, 2011, were reviewed. Jon Kavanaugh, made a motion, seconded by Robert Coers, to approve for payment the Civic Center bills as presented for January, 2011. Ayes: Boone, Coers, Hanna and Kavanaugh. No's: none. Motion carried.

The Cordova Cemetery statements of revenue and expenses for January, 2011, were reviewed. Bonnie Hanna, made a motion, seconded by Robert Coers, to approve the Cemetery statements of revenue for January, 2011. Ayes: Boone, Coers, Hanna and Kavanaugh. No's: none. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Cemetery Report: Pam Bruner, Cemetery Manager, submitted a written report to the Board. There has been no interest in the Sexton position. Two bids for the Cemetery mowing contractor have been received and distributed to the Board. The decision must be made at the March meeting. Pam will provide the Board with a list of last year's maintenance costs to assist in their decision-making process. This material will be mailed out in next month's packet.

Civic Center Report: Pam Bruner, Civic Center Manager, submitted a written report to the Board. Iossi Construction will not be able to begin the restroom-remodeling project until the middle of March. Due to several large functions at the Civic Center in March and April, Pam recommended moving the construction back until after April 9 as these events would need more than just one bathroom. The construction will now take place between April 10 and May 15 since there are no major events to be held in that time frame.

Ice falling off the Civic Center roof hit the gas meter and tore off the regulator on February 12. A new regulator was installed on February 14. Ben Farrar Agency will now be handling the liquor liability insurance for the Civic Center.

Police Report and Village Finance Reports: The Village financial and police reports were received.

Road Commissioner's Report: Road Commissioner Filbert had submitted a written report to the Board. She did request that the Board members place calls regarding Senate Bill 1811 which states that any road district with less than 100 miles of road be closed immediately.

Community: JoAnne Boone reported that Cheryl Lennox would teach an acrylic painting class for free at the Library if the Township would pick up the cost of supplies. Jon Kavanaugh, made a motion, seconded by Bonnie Hanna, to approve the offering of an acrylic painting class at a cost not to exceed \$150 for art supplies. Ayes: Boone, Coers, Hanna and Kavanaugh. No's: none. Motion carried. This class will be offered to all ages and have an enrollment limit of 20 people. JoAnne Boone will purchase the supplies.

Youth Committee: No report.

Senior Committee: No report.

Cordova Township Park District: Supervisor Kavanaugh and Attorney Dean Sutton went to Rock Island County Clerk's Office on February 1 for the Cordova Park District Hearing. They checked that the park district list of voters matched the County's list, and it did. There were no objections made at the meeting and the process went very quickly. It is certainly hoped that all will go well this time. The same six board candidates are running again.

New Business:

Annual Town Meeting: This year's annual town meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12, at the Civic Center. Supervisor Kavanaugh encouraged all Board members to attend this meeting.

Office Expansion: Jon has met with Bruce Wood who is chairman of the Village Planning Commission. The Village is meeting with local groups to see if they are interested in being located in a municipal building. The Cordova Road and Bridge District is not interested as they are fine with what they currently have. One of the options that the Village is discussing would be a possible addition to the existing Civic Center. A municipal building would allow the sharing of common rooms and be a great convenience for citizens.

Next Newsletter: Road Commissioner Filbert will try to get Spring Cleanup arranged for the beginning of May. The dumpster will once again be located at the Civic Center. Chris will contact the Village to try to persuade them to bring their dumpsters to the Civic Center as well. The newsletter should go out by May 1.

Supervisor's Comments: Chris Filbert reminded the Township Board that a Rock Island County Board Meeting will be held at the Civic Center at 5:30 p.m. on March 15. It is certainly recommended that our Cordova Township Board members be in attendance if at all possible. Also, please spread the word about the presentation by Eddie Weiss which will be at the Civic Center from 7 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, March 2. Mr. Weiss is an expert on emergency preparedness. Exelon and Cordova Township are sponsoring this presentation and, it is for the entire family to attend.

Supervisor Kavanaugh also mentioned that he has been approached to consider waiving cleaning fees for the Cordova Firefighters Association when they use the Civic Center. This will be placed on next month's agenda to discuss.

Any other business to come before the Board that will be added on next month's agenda: Road & Bridge and Township Budgets; Cordova Firefighters Association

Adjournment:

Bonnie Hanna made a motion, seconded by Robert Coers, to adjourn this meeting. Ayes: Boone, Coers, Hanna and Kavanaugh. No's: none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Sandra Gustafson, Cordova Township Clerk