

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING – TOWNSHIP OF CORDOVA  
April 16, 2013 – 7 p.m.  
Cordova Civic Center

Approved April 8, 2014

Sandra Gustafson, Cordova Township Clerk, called the Annual Town Meeting of Cordova Township to order at 7 p.m. in the Cordova Civic Center.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll Call of Township Officers was as follows:

Present: Sandra Gustafson, Cordova Township Clerk, Jon Kavanaugh, Supervisor, Morris McLaughlin, JoAnne Boone and Bonnie Hanna, Trustees.

Absent: Robert Coers, Trustee, Road Commissioner Filbert and Charles Tague, Assessor.

Also in attendance were: Pat Nicholson, Harlan Rogers, Delnor Nelson, Kenneth McCool and Pam Bruner, Civic Center and Cemetery Manager.

The Clerk asked for nominations for Moderator. Jon Kavanaugh made a motion that Pam Bruner act as moderator; Morris McLaughlin seconded it. Motion carried.

The Clerk administered the Oath of Office for Moderator to Pam Bruner.

The minutes of the April 10, 2012, Annual Town Meeting were read by Clerk Gustafson. Pat Nicholson made a motion, seconded by Bonnie Hanna to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried.

Moderator Bruner requested the Clerk to read the annual Highway Commissioner's report. Morris McLaughlin made a motion, seconded by JoAnne Boone, to accept the report as read. Motion carried.

The Clerk was instructed to read the Supervisor's Annual Treasurer's Report. Kenneth McCool made a motion, seconded by Pat Nicholson, to accept the report as read. Motion carried.

Resolution I was read by the Clerk. Morris McLaughlin made a motion, seconded by JoAnne Boone, to accept Resolution I to Put Cemeteries in a More Respectable Condition. Motion carried.

Resolution II was read by the Clerk. Pat Nicholson made a motion, seconded by Harlan Rogers, to accept Resolution II that provides for the Decoration and Maintenance of US Military Graves. Motion carried.

Jon Kavanaugh made a motion, seconded by Harlan Rogers to adopt Resolution III establishing the fiscal year for 2013-2014 beginning April 1, 2013 and ending March 31, 2014. Motion carried.

Pat Nicholson made a motion, seconded by Kenneth McCool to adopt Resolution IV to prepare the 2013-2014 budget and levy and file said budget with the Township Clerk to be made conveniently available for public inspection at least thirty (30) days prior to final adoption, and to levy such taxes as necessary to defray all expenses and liabilities of the town as authorized in the fiscal year commencing April 1, 2013, and concluding March 31, 2014. Motion carried.

Harlan Rogers made a motion, seconded by Morris McLaughlin, to adopt Resolution V for the Township Board of Trustees to hire a Certified Public Accountant to audit all accounts of all Town Funds of which the supervisor is treasurer, for the fiscal year commencing April 1, 2013 and continuing to and including March 31, 2014. Motion carried.

Morris McLaughlin made a motion, seconded by Kenneth McCool, to adopt Resolution VI to authorize the Township Trustees, if necessary and in such amounts as may be reasonably required, to make inter-fund transfers, in accordance with applicable laws, from one or more Town funds and other Town funds or to any fund raised by taxation to meet Town charges and expenses of said Town until the time of receiving revenues levied for the fiscal year. Motion carried.

Pat Nicholson made a motion, seconded by Jon Kavanaugh, to adopt Resolution VII to establish a sum of fifty dollars (\$50) to compensate the Moderator of the Annual Town Meeting. Motion carried.

JoAnne Boone made a motion, seconded by Morris McLaughlin, to adopt Resolution VIII as corrected to empower the electors of Cordova Township under IL Rev. Stat CH 193, para 39.21, to set the Town Meeting for 2014 on April 8, 2014, at 7 p.m., in the Cordova Civic Center. Motion carried.

Kenneth McCool made a motion, seconded by Jon Kavanaugh, to adopt Resolution IX authorizing the Township Board of Trustees to contract with for profit, not-for-profit, or non-sectarian organizations to provide funds for Senior citizen services or that the Township directly provide senior services as deemed necessary by the Township Board of Trustees and continue in full force and effect unless revoked, amended or modified by a subsequent vote of the electors at a duly called meeting of electors. Motion carried.

JoAnne Boone made a motion, seconded by Morris McLaughlin, to adopt Resolution X authorizing the Township Board of Trustees to contract with for profit, not-for-profit, or non-sectarian organizations to provide funds for Youth services or that the Township directly provide youth services as deemed necessary by the Township Board of Trustees and continue in full force and effect unless revoked, amended or modified by a subsequent vote of the electors at a duly called meeting of electors. This resolution is to be coordinated with the police department. Motion carried.

Bonnie Hanna made a motion, seconded by Harlan Rogers to adopt Resolution XI authorizing the Township Board of Trustees to provide for Mosquito Control and Abatement or to enter into contractual agreements with counties or with a public or private entity for purposes of mosquito control and mosquito abatement activities. Motion carried.

Citizens' Comments: Suggestion: Perhaps handouts could be projected on a screen or not read to the audience. Also, Kenneth McCool complimented the Township on being such a good representation of township government. Harlan Rogers commented that he had just attended his Cordova High School Reunion which was held at the Civic Center. He thought everything went well and was impressed with the Civic Center with one exception--the PA system had background noise and poor volume. Could it be upgraded before the next reunion in September? Pam Bruner, Civic Center Manager, responded that there is a new sound system at the Civic Center, and this was the first complaint she had heard. Her recommendation was to come in before any event and test and practice with the sound system. She would be glad to help out with the practice session.

As there was no further business to discuss, Bonnie Hanna made a motion, seconded by Pat Nicholson, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Sandra Gustafson  
Cordova Township Clerk

Pam Bruner  
Moderator