

**MINUTES OF THE  
MAY 2, 2017 REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE TOWN OF SUGAR GROVE  
KANE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Supervisor Rowe called the meeting to order at 6:11pm.

**ROLL CALL:** Trustees Lee Drendel, Laurene Geary, and Scott Hester, Trustee Mike Fagel was absent – deployed, Supervisor Tom Rowe, Clerk Phil Silagi, and Road Commissioner Greg Huggins.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Jerry Elliott, Dan Nagel, James Baker, Curt Karas, and Nelda Karas.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** none

**SUGAR GROVE WATER AUTHORITY REPORT:** Mr. Jerry Elliott announced that the Sugar Grove Water Authority has approved a proposal from the Illinois State Water Survey for a three year survey. Elliott then began a presentation that he gave two weeks ago at WCC for earth week. WCC has invited him back next year for an updated presentation and has offered to allow its geology students to participate in water monitoring as part of their course work. Last week he gave a presentation to the Northwest Water Planning Alliance who commented that Sugar Grove was one of the few groups executing the Goal 2040 program that was instituted by the Chicago Metropolitan Planning Commission. He explained that the water survey provides models of estimated ground water availability plus future supply based on projected population growth. This system improves the accuracy of estimates with hourly data from the test sites. There are 170 residential wells in Sugar Grove Township. Residential wells will be the first ones affected by desaturation and that is the situation currently occurring in Campton Township where wells are being drilled to 600 feet. Mr. Elliot's personal well is one currently being monitored with Well Intel equipment which provides data on static height, pumping minutes, draw down, and draw down recovery. This data is recorded and stored in the cloud. Well Intel, and the Illinois Water Survey are able to access this information in real time and use it in models for predicting future availability. Since Mr. Elliott's personal well is located within a mile of two City of Aurora wells, it is in a near perfect position to gauge any effects the deeper municipal wells might have on shallow residential wells. Mr. Elliott's well is also very near Blackberry Creek and as a result, the DNR and Illinois Water Survey would like to monitor the level of the creek on Prairie St. to document how creek levels affect well levels. EEI has been asked to design a monitoring device to be approved by the Kane County DOT. Elliott then talked about a number of planned monitoring sites dispersed throughout the Township that could be manually monitored monthly or quarterly to gather information on depth and chloride concentration. Elliott and Dan Nagel explained that the establishment of a groundwater monitoring network would cost about \$90,000 over three years. Currently the SG Water Authority has about \$78,000 in CD's and checking so they may need financial assistance for this project. Initially however, they are asking for a resolution in support of the groundwater monitoring network. This resolution at the local level will allow them to seek approval at the County level.

**APRIL 4, 2017 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:** Trustee Geary motioned, and Trustee Drendel seconded the motion to review and approve the April 4, 2017 meeting minutes. After review, Trustees Drendel, Geary, and Hester, and Supervisor Rowe voted aye. 0 nays. Motion carried.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:**

TOWNSHIP: Trustee Drendel motioned, seconded by Trustee Geary to review and approve the April Township accounts payable. During review, the Board discovered that the accounts payable report check numbers didn't match up to the actual checks and invoices. Supervisor Rowe noted that the actual check amounts were correct. After review and discussion, Trustees Drendel, Geary, and Hester, and Supervisor Rowe voted aye to approve the April Township Accounts Payable pending a revised and corrected accounts payable report. 0 nays. Motion carried. The balance in the Township checking account as of April 27, 2017 is \$333,767.04.

ROAD & BRIDGE: Trustee Geary motioned and Trustee Drendel seconded the motion to review and approve the April Road and Bridge accounts payable as presented. After review, Trustees Geary, Hester, and Drendel, and Supervisor Rowe voted aye. 0 nay. Motion carried. The balance in the Road & Bridge checking account as of April 27, 2017 is \$313,320.14.

**PAYROLL REPORT:** The Board once again, expressed frustration with the Assessor's failure to provide an explanation or justification for the existence of part-time hourly and part-time salaried positions.

**PROFIT & LOSS REPORT:** Profit & Loss Reports were distributed for fiscal year 4/1/16-3/31/17.

**REPORTS:**

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Supervisor Rowe presented a written report of his activities during the last month and highlighted the following: The annual audit will take place next Monday and Tuesday with a preliminary draft expected at the end of June. There was no increase in premiums for TOIRMA risk management insurance. This will be our fourth year as a TOIRMA member and we will be eligible for an annual dividend after 5 years of membership. The spring edition of the SG Community Newsletter has been mailed out and the \$1,500 invoice for our portion of the publication will be paid next month. All Sugar Grove Township filings of the Statement of Economic Interest to Kane County have been made before the May 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.

ASSESSOR: No Report.

ROAD & BRIDGE: Commissioner Huggins requested Board approval for Supervisor Rowe to cut a check for a new replacement ¾ ton 4 WD pick-up truck that was budgeted. The cost of the Chevrolet truck on state bid is \$33,000. The Board had no objection to this request. Huggins invited Board members interested to attend the bid opening at KDOT for the asphalt overlay projects for this year which will include N.Mighel, Pembroke Ct., Densmore Rd. and the Creekview Subdivision.

CLERKS REPORT: Clerk Silagi presented the Board with results from the Consolidated General Election held on April 4<sup>th</sup>.

TRUSTEES REPORT: No reports.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Approval of Township Budget & Appropriation Ordinance #2017-1: Trustee Geary motioned, and Trustee Drendel seconded the motion to Adopt Sugar Grove Township Budget & Appropriation Ordinance #2017-1 an ordinance appropriating for all town purposes for Sugar Grove Township, Kane County, Illinois for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2017 and ending March 31, 2018. The Ordinance reflects total appropriations of \$658,391 from which the following appropriations were made: General Town Fund \$534,846, General Assistance \$12,283, and Mental Health \$111,262. Trustees Drendel, Geary, and Hester, and Supervisor Rowe vote aye. 0 nays. Motion carried.
2. First National Bank Signature Card Authorized Representative Forms: Supervisor Rowe informed the new Trustees that they will have to sign signature cards to authorize them to sign checks or documents on behalf of the Township with regard to business conducted with First National Bank. Signature cards will be available to sign at our next meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Consideration & Potential Approval of SG Community Golf Outing Sponsorship: Supervisor Rowe noted that last year we sponsored a hole for \$50.00. After discussion, the Board agreed to sponsor at the same level this year and to purchase a round of golf for a foursome. Trustee Geary motioned, seconded by Trustee Hester, to Sponsor One Hole of Golf for the SG Community Golf Outing in the amount of \$50.00 and to purchase a round of golf for a foursome. Trustees Drendel, Geary, and Hester, and Supervisor Rowe voted aye. 0 nays. Motion carried.
2. Consideration and Potential Approval of Sugar Grove Park District Kite Festival Sponsorship: Supervisor Rowe presented the Board with this sponsorship request and noted that we provided sponsorship at the \$250 level last year. Trustee Hester motioned, seconded by Trustee Drendel to sponsor the Sugar Grove Park District Kite Festival at the \$250 Level. Trustees Drendel, Geary, and Hester, and Supervisor Rowe voted aye. 0 nays. Motion carried.
3. Oath of Office for Newly Elected Township of Sugar Grove Officials: Trustee Geary who is also a notary public, administered the Oath of Office to Clerk Phil Silagi. Clerk Silagi then proceeded to administer the Oath of Office to the following newly elected or re-elected Sugar Grove Township Officials: Supervisor Tom Rowe, Road District Commissioner Greg Huggins, Sugar Grove Township Community Building Managers Shari Baum, and Jerry Murphy. and Trustees Lee Drendel, Laurene Geary, James Baker, and Jerry Elliott.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Trustee Hester motioned, Trustee Geary seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved adjourning the regular meeting at 7:24pm.