

1. 2. 3. The April 6, 2023 Board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Kuper at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Clerk Johansen called the roll with Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Varsho and Murphy present. Trustee Metzger was absent.

Trustee Varsho moved the Board strike agenda item 7. a. "Review and Act Upon Community Solar Proposal" from the agenda. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Varsho and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Metzger was absent. The motion passed.

4. Reports:

Highway Commissioner – Sam Gallucci: Commissioner Gallucci's report stated the Highway District snowplowed and salted roadways on 03/09 and 03/10/23 throughout Campton Township, the Village of Campton Hills, and Campton Hills in Plato Township. We completed a special brush pick up for the north and south sides of Route 64 due to the ice storm of 02/22/23 in Campton Township, the Village of Campton Hills, and Campton Hills in Plato Township which took approximately 4 weeks to complete. The Road District contracted with the Village of Lily Lake to cut and chip up storm damage due to the ice storm of 2/22/23. We attended a safety training session on Work Zone Safety and an Emergency Action Plan. The District repaired damaged mailboxes and posts throughout Campton Township and the Village of Campton Hills; all grates and storm drains were cleaned of debris throughout the Township and Village; roadways were assessed for drainage problems and potholes; potholes were repaired with cold patch throughout the Township and Village; we checked all stop signs in the Township and Village on a weekly basis and replaced damaged or missing ones; and the District checked for the issuance of culvert permits throughout the Township and Village. Ongoing maintenance on Township vehicles and equipment was performed in-house by Highway District staff.

Assessor – Alan D. Rottmann: Assessor Rottmann stated housing sales are strong and we are not seeing any values dropping. Property tax bills will be in the mail at the end of the month. Economic Interest Statements are due.

Solid Waste District – Larry Gallagher, President: Solid Waste President Gallagher gave the Annual Report of operations stating the District is up to a full complement of five Trustees with a 2022 ending account balance of \$17,544.90. The service provider, LRS, Inc. has a five-year agreement with the District lasting until March 31, 2025. For customer service there were 14 missed pickups in 2022, 6 customer compliments, and 9 customer complaints. The number of residential accounts in 2022 was 5,029. Campton Township is a named insured on District and LRS, Inc policies and the District has established a virtual phone number to be more accessible to Campton Township residents.

Financial Report – Rebekah Flakus, Finance Director: Finance Director Flakus stated the March 31, 2023 Financial Report is 100% of the fiscal year completed even though the numbers are not final until the audit has been completed.

Town Fund Administration:

- Credit Risk Management account #5740 due refund dividends from TOIRMA.
- Transfer \$20,000 to account #9100 as part of the due to/from reconciliation.

Road District Fund Maintenance:

- Court Fines account #4120 is showing a year-to-date balance of \$50.00. This was coded to this account incorrectly and was reclassified this month.

Open Space Fund Administration:

- Wetland Revenue was deposited this month in account #4100. This will be spread into different accounts for future use while earning interest.
- Account #5240, Bond issuance costs shows a negative of \$20,000.00. There was a coding error in this account and it was remedied this month.

Corron Farm Preservation Society update – Laurel Garza, President: Absent.

Operations Manager – Tom Serewicz: Operations Manager Serewicz stated:

At Anderson Park Wasco Boys Baseball built a shed in the same location as the other one, storm damaged branches were cut up and hauled away, potholes in the parking lot were repaired, and parking lot barricades and markers were taken down.

At Whitney Park storm damaged branches were cut up and hauled away, snow plow markers were removed, and the house was checked for heat.

At the Community Center ice control was applied, storm damaged branches were cut up and hauled away, turf was repaired, and lightbulbs replaced.

At Gray Willows storm damaged branches were cut up and hauled away, snow plow markers were removed, the tear down area was cleaned up, and buildings checked for heat.

At Harley Woods snow plow markers were removed.

At Corron Farm ice control was applied, storm damaged branches were cut up and hauled away, concrete floors and sidewalk were pored, garage doors for the big tool shed were ordered, snow plow markers were removed, and the wood shed area was reseeded.

At Town Hall heat was checked, and ice control applied.

At Lily Lake Blue Park ice control was applied, a new ring doorbell system was installed, and a new flag for the cemetery was provided.

At the Headwaters Conservation Area snow was plowed, storm damaged branches were cut up and hauled away, and bobcat work was done at Motz.

Poynor Park was opened March 21st, well and Dog Park sidewall gravel was hauled to the site, wash stone was added to the well and culvert splashes, a sidewalk was built from the parking lot to the dog pen with limestone screenings from Corron Farm.

Brown Road Meadows was closed for the season, and a Port-o-let was delivered.

Goldenstein has no report.

In General office staff was assisted and staff was assisted in prescribed burns, a new tire was installed on the landscaping trailer, Port-o-Lets were delivered to the parks, all dog stations were checked, the bobcat tires were repaired, all American flags are up, all garbage cans are out of winter storage, truck 51's brake light was repaired, snow plows were put away for the season, trucks were sanitized, and we met with Bob of the Open Space Foundation over projects and the bill for the Gray Willows demo project.

Natural Resources Monthly Report – Josh Nelson, Restoration Ecologist: Restoration Ecologist Nelson stated:

Projects Completed/Ongoing:

- Concluded brush clearing season with projects at Gray Willows Farm.
- Assisted operations staff as needed.
- Assorted equipment maintenance.
- Wrapped up projects related to end of fiscal year and Annual Meeting.
- Trail maintenance at Harley Woods.
- Continuing to manage community garden reservations.
- Completed grant applications for multiple projects.
- Trail improvement projects at Gray Willows Farm.
- Conducting spring prescribed burns. Successful burns so far at Corron Farm, Headwaters, and Gray Willows Farm.
- Finished planting native seed.

Meetings/Trainings/ Public Outreach:

- Carter Dell completed all necessary training for Prescribed Burn Manager certification.
- Max Anderson completed S-212 Wildland Fire Chain Saw training.

- Met with Kane County Wild Ones regarding planning of the spring plant sale at Gray Willows Farm.
- Attended Planning Commission meeting, presented results of the Parks and Open Space survey.

Volunteer Service:

- Working with multiple Scouts on Eagle Scout projects.
- Working with Kristi Bruns on assorted design projects.
- Volunteers have begun wildlife monitoring projects.
- Troop 13 conducted service project to help clean up the Gray Willows barn for the season.
- Volunteers assisting with prescribed burns.

Special Note:

Unfortunately, we say goodbye to Carter Dell this week, as he will be moving on to new adventures. Carter has been a tremendous asset to the program with his skills, knowledge, and dedication. Losing him is a huge loss to the program, but we wish him all the best with his future endeavors.

Planning Commission Report – Jesse Varsho, Chairman: Plan Commission Chairman Varsho stated:

- Plan Commission met a couple weeks ago. We looked at last year's Uses Survey to determine where to go from here.
- We want to open up the southern part of Gray Willows.
- We need to decide what to do with the Whitney School House. Do we need a consultant? E. Murphy stated we don't need a consultant because they cost more and recommend things we can't afford. J. Kuper stated we won't meet the standard of the National Register. We have to revisit categories to figure out what to do. J. Nelson stated we will use as much of the original materials as possible and then introduce new stuff.

Supervisor Report – John Kuper: Supervisor Kuper stated:

- During the last month I have had several conversations with the IDNR (Illinois Department of Natural Resources) over the status of our LAWCON Grant. The grant is currently being reviewed by the various departments of the IDNR. We were notified that the site must undergo a historical building survey and a site historical survey. Once this is done, we could expect funding sometime in late summer 2023. While the timeline is disappointing, it looks like we will still get

the grant. Based on this, we will have to submit a waiver to the State allowing the Township to use reserve funds to close on the Goldenstein property.

- I have had several meetings with V3 Company regarding a Public – Private Partnership for the purchase of property and the development of wetlands. This is an exciting opportunity and we will be reviewing this in Executive Session.
- I have had several conversations with a local farming family with regards to the purchase of two parcels of land and a potential conservation easement on another parcel of land. We will be discussing this opportunity tonight also.
- I had the opportunity to inspect the new concrete floor and sidewalk at the Corron Farm machine shed. It looks great! We will be able to greater maximize this building for several venues.
- I also had the opportunity to inspect the demolition of the two former garages at Gray Willows Farm. This is another great job by our Township staff. This sets the stage to start opening this portion of the Farm for public use.

5. Approval of Minutes:

a. Special Board Meeting March 7, 2023: J. Varsho moved the Board approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of March 7, 2023. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kubar and Trustees Varsho and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Metzger was absent. The motion passed.

b. Board Meeting March 14, 2023: E. Murphy moved the Board approve the minutes of the Board Meeting of March 14, 2023. J. Varsho seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kubar and Trustees Varsho and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Metzger was absent. The motion passed.

6. Citizens' Comments (comments to be kept to a maximum of 3 minutes): None.

7. Old Business – Presentation and Discussion for Action: None.

8. New Business – Presentation and Discussion for Action:

a. Review and Act Upon Campton Township Budget and Appropriation Ordinance 23-1T: E. Murphy moved the Board approve the Campton Township General Town Fund Budget and Appropriation Ordinance NO. 23-1T. J. Varsho seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kubar and Trustees Varsho and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Metzger was absent. The Ordinance passed.

b. Review and Act Upon Campton Township Road District Budget and Appropriation Ordinance 23-1R: J. Varsho moved the Board approve the Campton Township Road and Bridge Fund Budget and Appropriation Ordinance NO. 23-1R. E. Murphy seconded the

motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kubar and Trustees Varsho and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Metzger was absent. The Ordinance passed.

c. Review and Act Upon Approval of Line-Item Amendments for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget: E. Murphy moved the Board approve the Campton Township Final Line Item Amendments to Original Budget from 4/1/2022 Through 3/31/2023. J. Varsho seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kubar and Trustees Varsho and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Metzger was absent. The motion passed.

d. Review and Act Upon Approval of Year End Fiscal Report March 31, 2023 for Annual Meeting: J. Varsho moved the Board approve the Campton Township Statement of Revenue and Expenditures from 4/1/2022 Through 3/31/ 2023 for reporting at the Annual Town Meeting. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kubar and Trustees Varsho and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Metzger was absent. The motion passed.

9. Claims and Demands Authorized for Payment:

a. Town Fund \$16,898.23: J. Varsho moved the Board approve the claims and demands on the Town fund in the amount of \$16,898.23. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kubar and Trustees Varsho and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Metzger was absent. The motion passed.

b. Road & Bridge Fund \$199,503.00: J. Varsho moved the Board amend the amount on line 9. b. for the Road and Bridge Fund to be \$129,475.74. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kubar and Trustees Varsho and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Metzger was absent. The motion passed. J. Varsho moved the Board approve the claims and demands on the Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of \$129,475.74. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kubar and Trustees Varsho and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Metzger was absent. The motion, as amended, passed.

c. Capital Improvement Fund: \$0

d. Open Space Fund \$19,601.29: J. Varsho moved the Board approve the claims and demands on the Open Space Fund in the amount of \$19,601.29. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kubar and Trustees Varsho and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Metzger was absent. The motion passed.

10. Executive Session – Review Executive Session Minutes of March 14, 2023; Land Acquisition; Personnel Issues; Legal Issues: J. Varsho moved the Board go into Executive Session to review land acquisition, personnel issues, and legal issues, and include Restoration Ecologist Nelson in the meeting. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kubar and Trustees Varsho and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Metzger was absent. The motion passed and Executive Session began at 8:33 p.m.

11. New Business Continued: Supervisor Kupa reconvened the regular session at 9:05 p.m.

aa. Review and Act Upon Whether to Approve Executive Session Minutes of March 14, 2023: J. Varsho moved the Board table the Executive Session minutes of March 14, 2023. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kupa and Trustees Varsho and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Metzger was absent. The motion passed.

12. Adjournment: J. Varsho moved the Board adjourn the meeting. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kupa and Trustees Varsho and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Metzger was absent. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Johansen

Clerk