**<u>1.2.3.</u>** The June 11, 2019 Board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Kupar at 7:33 p.m. at the Community Center. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Clerk Johansen called the roll with Supervisor Kupar and Trustees Stutesman, Galloway, and Murphy present. Trustee Miller was absent.

## 4. Reports:

*Highway Commissioner – Sam Gallucci:* Commissioner Gallucci stated they are trying to get caught up with drainage issues. Trees came down in the recent storms. Brush pick up was completed for the north and south sides of Route 64 throughout Campton Township, the Village of Campton Hills, and the Village of Campton Hills in Plato Township. All grates, storm drains, and culverts were cleaned of debris throughout Campton Township and the Village of Campton Hills; residential lawn areas that were damaged by snow plowing were restored throughout the Township and Village; any damaged mail boxes and posts were repaired throughout the Township and Village; roadways were assessed for drainage problems and potholes; potholes were repaired with cold patch throughout the Township and Village; all stop signs in the Township and Village were checked on a weekly basis, and damaged or missing ones replaced; and we checked for the issuance of culvert permits throughout the Township and Village. Directional signs for Campton Township parks on Old LaFox Road were replaced. Crewmen attended safety training on 04/25/2019 for using the wood chipper and chain saws. Ongoing maintenance of Township vehicles and equipment was performed in-house by Highway District staff.

Assessor – Alan D. Rottmann: Assessor Rottmann stated he will turn in the assessment books to the County tomorrow. Some problems came up from the mold remediation going on in the basement at the Community Center. The smoke detector was triggered, the internet, phones, and sump pump went out, but all this was fixed. Notices of reassessment go out the end of July or August.

#### Solid Waste District – Steven Cartwright, President: Absent.

Financial Report – Louise McKay, Finance Director: Finance Director McKay's report stated:

- The Sikich LLP audit team completed their field work in our office on May 15<sup>th</sup>. Her time up to that date was consumed by all the client prepared work papers, the IMRF pension requirements, the new Government Accounting Standard Board (GASB) 75 requirement and the normal accruals needed for the audit. Sikich emailed the draft audit report yesterday and the auditor's communication to the Township Board report. She will begin proofing the audit report and writing the Management Discussion & Analysis (MD&A) after she completes the final reports for May. The proofed audit report and the MD&A are due to the auditors on June 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Kane County's first property tax distribution was deposited in the Township's accounts on May 15, 2019. This distribution was less then last year's first distribution; the amounts for property tax revenue are a line item in the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures. The next distribution is scheduled for June 12<sup>th</sup>. Currently there is \$445,397.49 in the Open Space tax receipts account to pay the \$662,595.00 in General Obligation Bond June interest payments. Kane County's next distribution and the debt interest payments will both take place on Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>.
- Open Space received the \$10,000 Monarch Grant Partner Reimbursement from the

Conservation Foundation and it was deposited in the BMO Open Space money market. This was for prairie plantings beneficial for the Monarch Butterflies in conjunction with other organizations.

- During May, the PMA Maintenance account received coupon interest of \$5,312.50 on a US Treasury Note. The \$263,700 budgeted transfer from PMA money market to the Open Space BMO money market was not in May but on June 5<sup>th</sup>. The remaining \$200,000 for operations will be transferred later in the fiscal year.
- The Statement of Revenues and Expenditures is now set up with the current year's budget. The total budgets for the Town Fund, Road Fund, and Capital Improvements Fund are all within the year to date budget. The Capital Improvements Fund expended the first payment on the Community Center renovations. Open Space expenditures are over budget due to the budget of \$400,000 for the Corron Farm dairy barn restoration and the contract cost of \$62,000. The barn line item is \$10,000 over budget to date.

*Corron Farm Preservation Society Update – Laurel Garza, President:* President Garza stated at the annual meeting of the Preservation Society Jack Shouba got \$10,000 in pledges from Board members for the Challenge Grant. We will have the chilly cook-off and meat raffle in November. Her neighbor is a businessman from the DeKalb-Sycamore area. He approached her to ask for a water spigot at Corron Farm like the one we have at the Headwaters. He might put in a well there. She said she will bring it before the Board. J. Kupar said we can put in a well or connect it from an existing pipe. The old well is by the milk house. There is a cement pad there. Laurel continued stating she got an email from Tom Corron saying he has located a windmill at a cost of \$1.000.

Operations Manager – Tom Serewicz: Operations Manager Serewicz stated:

- At Anderson Park mowing and weed whacking was done; a fallen tree was cut up; a "Do Not Retrieve Balls" sign was installed on the west fence line; ball fields were Trak Vaced; the playground and trails were herbicided; the playground mulched; and he met with the tennis/basketball court resurfacing contractor.
- At Burlington Park mowing and weed whacking was done.
- At the Community Center mowing and weed whacking was done; the mold removal project was started; storm damaged tree branches were hauled away; and a tournament was held on the ball fields.
- At Corron Farm mowing and weed whacking was done; trails were mowed, trees were mulched; trees were pruned on the north trail; gravel Areas were herbicided; a fallen oak tree was cleared off the trail; dairy barn repairs and cattle fence work is going on; and a "Care Taker Residence" sign was installed.
- At Gray Willows mowing and weed whacking was done; gravel areas were herbicided; trails and the campground were mowed; and a new emergency gate was installed at the campground.
- At the Headwaters Conservation Area mowing and weed whacking was done; the playground was herbicided; the playground and trees were mulched; and trails were cut in.
- At the Harley Woods: Torchy Property mowing and weed whacking was done.
- At Brown Road Meadows mowing and weed whacking was done; and a second water tank holder was built.
- At Poynor Park mowing and weed whacking was done; trails were mowed; the kiosk door was repaired; the playground was mulched, and herbicided; and trees were mulched.
- At Town Hall mowing and weed whacking was done.
- **In General** summer help is onboard; the Wasco Diamond tournament was held at Anderson Park; safety equipment was ordered and a safety meeting held; office staff was assisted; and there are 4 cows at Corron Farm.

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

- <u>Projects Completed/Ongoing:</u>
  - 1. We are beginning our summer turtle surveys. The kestrel's nest was lost in the storm.
  - 2. We assisted operations staff as needed.
  - 3. We continued work at Corron Farm in collaboration with the Preservation Society on the Clean Energy Community Foundation grant. We planted native trees

throughout the site. We are preparing for prairie plug planting and aggressively controlling reed canary grass.

4. V3 continues work on the Gray Willows and Headwaters wetland restoration. The Gray Willows Wetland Mitigation Bank involves the design, permitting, construction, native planting and ecological management of 95 acres of Open Space owned by Campton Township. V3 Companies is performing the work. Earthwork was completed last fall. Woodland enhancement clearing occurred last winter. Native wetland plantings are occurring in May and June 2019. Wetland mitigation credits are utilized to replace the acreage and function of unavoidable impacts to low quality wetlands authorized by either the US Army Corps of Engineers or Kane County. Funding for the project is provided by the sale of wetland mitigation credits. The mitigation bank will provide up to 52.4 acres of wetland mitigation credits. The credits will be derived from:

# 32 acres of wetland creation 16 acres of wetland enhancement 4 acres of stream restoration 27 acres of woodland savanna enhancement 17 acres of prairie restoration

- 5. Planting and spring herbiciding continues at Gray Willows.
- 6. We assisted as needed with the Whitney Schoolhouse preparations.
- 7. The community gardens are running well. This is our biggest year yet.
- 8. A significant amount of time was spent targeting wild chervil at Gray Willows and Corron Farm. Additionally, we targeted reed canary grass, dames rocket, garlic mustard, and other assorted weeds.
- 9. We cleaned up the gardens.
- 10. We began marking and mapping oak saplings.
- 11. We short mowed the new prairie at Gray Willows.
- 12. We led a kindergarten field trip at Gray Willows. There were 100 participants from Ferson Creek school.

## • Trainings/Meetings:

- 1. We followed up with Morton Arboretum oak researchers to discuss Township projects.
- 2. We attended a Fermilab land management meeting.
- 3. There were multiple meetings to discuss grant opportunities.
- 4. Met with Matt Zerby of Wasco Nursery to discuss partnership opportunities.
- 5. Met with Ferson Creek representatives to discuss Gray Willows fundraiser opportunities.
- 6. Met with Holly Hudson of CMAP to discuss Mill Creek Watershed project plans.
- 7. Met with representatives from St. Pats School to discuss project collaboration and service opportunities.
- 8. Tim Felinski attended Northern Illinois Native Seed Network meeting.
- Volunteer Service:

|                                 | Hours | IRS Value | Staff Value |  |
|---------------------------------|-------|-----------|-------------|--|
| Total Volunteer Hours to Date   | 233.5 | 5636.69   | \$2335      |  |
| Volunteer Steward Hours to Date | 57.5  | 1388.05   | \$575       |  |

- 1. Troop 13 held weed pull day at Gray Willows Farm, Pack 110 planted trees at Corron Farm.
- 2. Education Steward, Nancy Krasinski, helped lead Kindergarten field trip.
- 3. Propagation Stewards continue growing project, beginning to see success.
- Upcoming:
  - 1. Continued summer weed control.
  - 2. Assisting with Whitney Schoolhouse project.
  - 3. Multiple field trips/site tours scheduled.
  - 4. Further development of volunteer programs.
  - 5. Preparations for fall/winter plantings.

Website Improvements Report – Trustee Stutesman: Trustee Stutesman stated there was nothing new to report except that a citizen said he got good info. on our Facebook site.

*Planning Commission Report – Jesse Varsho:* Absent. J. Kupar stated the Plan Commission will have a meeting tomorrow night.

Supervisor Report – John Kupar: Supervisor Kupar stated:

- He attended the Corron Farm Preservation Society Board meeting in June. The Society has the following events scheduled for the rest of the year and into late winter:
  - Prairie Fest September 21, 2019
  - Meat Raffle November 10, 2019
  - Holiday Gathering January 18, 2020 from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
  - Maple Syrup Fest March 2020
- We continue to spend a considerable amount of time with Township staff, attorneys, and with Board members to evaluate a potential land acquisition on a bargain sale basis. An update on this opportunity will be presented in Executive Session tonight.
- He participated in several meetings with staff and our consultant for the restoration of the Whitney Schoolhouse. The celebration of the restoration has been rescheduled for July 20, 2019.
- He had several meetings with staff, Landmarks Illinois, and our grant writer, Laura Ross, to identify and peruse several grant opportunities. We will apply for at least three grant programs over the next few months.

#### 5. Approval of Minutes:

*a. Board Meeting May 14, 2019:* T. Stutesman moved the Board approve the minutes of the meeting of May 14, 2019. S. Galloway seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kupar and Trustees Stutesman, Galloway, and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Miller was absent. The motion passed.

*b. Special Board Meeting May 17, 2019:* E. Murphy moved the Board approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of May 17, 2019. S. Galloway seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kupar and Trustees Stutesman, Galloway, and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Miller was absent. The motion passed.

<u>6. Citizens' Comments:</u> Kane County Sheriff's Deputy T. Hoffman, Badge 129, stated there were issues at Poynor Park where people were riding on the grass. Kane County Board Representative Barbara Wojnicki stated the Forest Preserve closed on the 55 acre Hawkins property. 1.36 acres was separated from Hawkins and sold to Craig Hansen.

### 7. Old Business - Presentation and Discussion for Action: None.

### 8. New Business – Presentation and Discussion for Action:

a. Review and Act Upon Cyclocross Event At Anderson Park, November 2-3, 2019 (event is Sunday, 11/3): Eric Heuser spoke on behalf of Chicago CycloCross thanking Campton Township and saying they hope to continue their partnership with the Township for many years. They will name Campton Township as additional insured on their insurance policy, and pay \$400 to the Township for two extra portable restrooms, and deposit \$500 with the Township to assure the use of Township properties is as agreed. The deposit will be returned if the use of Township properties is as agreed. T. Stutesman moved the Board approve the 2019 Chicago CycloCross event at Campton Township on November 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019. S. Galloway seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kupar and Trustees Stutesman, Galloway, and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Miller was absent. The motion passed.

b. Review and Act Upon Transition of Legal Counsel to "Kinnally, Flaherty, Krentz, Loran, Hodge, and Masur PC" Due to Retirement of Current Counsel: E. Murphy stated the lawyers' rates are standard. T. Stutesman moved the Board approve hiring the law firm of Kinnally, Flaherty, Krentz, Loran, Hodge, & Masur PC as the attorneys for Campton Township. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kupar and Trustees Stutesman, Galloway, and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Miller was absent. The motion passed.

## 9. Claims and Demands Authorized for Payment:

*a. Town Fund:* T. Stutesman moved the Board approve the claims and demands on the Town Fund in the amount of \$11,032.02. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kupar and Trustees Stutesman, Galloway, and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Miller was absent. The motion passed.

*b.* Road & Bridge Fund \$36,054.23: T. Stutesman moved the Board approve the claims and demands on the Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of \$36,054.23. S. Galloway seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kupar and Trustees Stutesman, Galloway, and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Miller was absent. The motion passed.

*c. Capital Improvement Fund \$9,410.58:* E. Murphy moved the Board approve the claims and demands on the Capital Improvement Fund in the amount of \$9,410.58. S. Galloway seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kupar and Trustees Stutesman, Galloway, and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Miller was absent. The motion passed

*d. Open Space Fund* \$85,708.01: S. Galloway moved the Board approve the claims and demands on the Open Space Fund in the amount of \$85,708.01. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kupar and Trustees Stutesman, Galloway, and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Miller was absent. The motion passed.

10. Executive Session – Review Executive Session Minutes of February 12, 2019 and May 14, 2019; Land Acquisition: T. Stutesman moved the Board go into Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing the Executive Session minutes of February 12, 2019, and May 14, 2019, and for land acquisition, and to include Barbara Wojnicki and Josh Nelson. S. Galloway seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kupar and Trustees Stutesman, Galloway, and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Miller was absent. The motion passed and Executive Session began at 8:24 p.m.

11. New Business Continued: Supervisor Kupar reconvened the regular session.

aa. Review and Act Upon Approve Executive Session Minutes of February 12, 2019: T. Stutesman moved the Board approve the Executive Session minutes of February 12, 2019. S. Galloway seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kupar and Trustees Stutesman, Galloway, and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Miller was absent. The motion passed.

*bb. Review and Act Upon Approve Executive Session Minutes of May 14, 2019:* T. Stutesman moved the Board approve the Executive Session minutes of May 14, 2019 as amended by J. Kupar. S. Galloway seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kupar and Trustees Stutesman, Galloway, and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Miller was absent. The motion passed.

**<u>12. Adjournment:</u>** S. Galloway moved the meeting be adjourned. T. Stutesman seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kupar and Trustees Stutesman, Galloway, and Murphy voted aye. Trustee Miller was absent. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Johansen Clerk