

1. 2. 3. The June 13, 2017 Board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Kuper at 7:37 p.m. at the Community Center. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Clerk Johansen called the roll with Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller present. Trustee Stutesman was absent.

4. Reports:

Highway Commissioner – Sam Gallucci: Commissioner Gallucci's report stated brush pick-up was completed on the north and south sides of Route 64 throughout Campton Township and the Village of Campton Hills, and the Village of Campton Hills in Plato Township. The Road District contracted with the Village of Lily Lake to remove storm damaged trees on Hanson Road and to complete sign work. They contracted with the Village of Virgil to repair potholes on I.C. Trail; cut and chip up trees with Bowman Tree Service on Grande Monde Drive and Campton Hills Road; and cut and chip up trees throughout the Township due to storm damage. They completed repair of lawn damage with soil and seed; repaired culvert ends at Old LaFox Road and Long shadow Lane; removed excess soil for drainage issues on Privet Court, Arbor Creek and Wyngate Roads, Dairyherd and Splitrail Lanes. Dura Patching was completed on Swanberg Road, and rehab work done at the off-site storage building. All grates and storm drains were cleaned of debris throughout Campton Township and the Village of Campton Hills; all intersections in the Township and Village were swept; 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 they 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 he closed off the books for the year and is waiting for the equalization factor from the State. He is now meeting with taxpayers to discuss their assessments. The Tax Appeals Board meets soon.

Solid Waste District – President Jack Berry: Absent.

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

- Sikich audit team completed their field work in our office. Their draft financial statements were e-mailed to us June 5th. She has been creating the monthly budgets in Abila for the Revenue and Expenditure Report and preparing the monthly close, and financial statements for the Board packet. She plans to begin the review and write the MD&A next week. The proofed audit report and MD&A are due to the auditors on June 18th.
- On May 17th the first property tax distribution from Kane County was deposited in Township accounts. Property Tax receipts are included in the Statement of Revenue and Expenditures. The next distribution is scheduled for June 14th. The June 14 distribution will be the same day the wire payments are sent for the General Obligation Bond debt's June interest payment.
- The GO Bond 2010B Build America Bond rebate of \$22,907.25 was received on May 24th and is reflected in the Open Space revenue.
- During May, the PMA Maintenance account received coupon interest of \$5,312.50.
- The Statement of Revenues and Expenditures needs a budget revision for General Assistance Medical Insurance. The total Town and Open Space Funds are within budget, year to date. The timing of the Road Fund expenditures do not agree with the year to

date budget amounts but no budget overages are anticipated at this time. The Capital Improvements Fund has not had any expenditures to date this fiscal year.

Corron Farm Preservation Society Update – President Laural Garza: President Garza stated the next meeting of the Society is on Monday at Corron Farm. Jerry Turnquist with the Elgin History Museum is invited.

Operations Manager – Tom Serewicz: Operations Manager Serewicz stated:

- **At Anderson Park** trees were mulched; mowing and weed whacking was done; the parking lot and fence were herbicided; trees were pruned, cut down, and hauled away; turf builder was applied to grass; the ball fields were swept up of leaves and debris by a trac-vac; and a softball tournament was held.
- **At Burlington Park** turf builder was applied and grass was mowed.
- **At the Community Center** turf was mowed and weeds whacked; the fence area was herbicided, and turf was treated with weed and feed.
- **At Corron Farm** turf was mowed and weeds whacked; trees were mulched and trails mowed; the fence area and parking lot was herbicided; gravel was added to the driveway; and preparations were made for the wedding to take place.
- **At Gray Willows** turf was mowed and weeds whacked; trails were mowed; turf builder was applied to grass; and preparations were made for the wedding to take place there.
- **At the Headwaters Conservation Area** turf was mowed and weeds whacked; weed and feed was applied to turf; the fence area herbicided; trails were mowed; and the horse trail opened.
- **At the Harley Woods: Torchy Property** mowing and weed whacking was done and a fence repaired.
- **At the Community Gardens on Brown Road** mowing and weed whacking was done; turf builder was applied; the water tank holder was repaired; a port-o-let delivered; rock was added to the parking lot; and empty lots were roto tilled.
- **At Poynor Park** mowing and weed whacking was done; trees were mulched; the fence area and parking lot was herbicided; turf builder and weed and feed was applied; and trails were mowed.
- **At Town Hall** turf was mowed and weeds were whacked; weed and feed was applied.
- **IN GENERAL:** the Anderson Park well pump, PVC piping, and electrical was replaced; a farmer was contacted about corn stacks at the Headwaters; after hours automobile license plates were obtained at Poynor Park; we had a number of phone calls from bidders about replacing the Corron Farm dairy barn roof; TOIRMA took an insurance tour of Township property; we met with V3 about the Headwaters Conservation Area trail and wetland expansion.
- Supervisor Kuper got an offer to contribute to drilling a well at the Community Gardens from a church group. Operations Manager Serewicz will get quotes for a well.

Natural Resources Monthly Report – Josh Nelson, Ecological Restoration Technician: Ecological Restoration Technician Nelson stated:

Projects Completed/ Ongoing:

- Cameras are used at Gray Willows to study turtles.
- Volunteer monitors continue to monitor birds throughout parks.
- Time was spent assisting Operations staff as needed.
- Assisted in management of community gardens.
- Woody plant (Callery Pear, Buckthorn, Honeysuckle, etc.) control in Corron Farm wetland.
- Garlic Mustard mowing at Harley Woods.
- Planted entrance garden at Community Gardens, added plants to gardens at Anderson Park, Poynor Park, and Corron Farm.
- Weeded gardens.
- Began installation of disk golf course at Poynor Park.
- Open House at Town Hall.
- Thistle control at various sites.
- Reed Canary Grass control at various sites.
- Began first round of cutting around Oaks to protect and encourage growth.

- Mulched trees at Anderson Park.
- Pruned shrubs at office and Town Hall.
- Wheaton College conducted a stream study at Gray Willows Farm.
- Short mow of seeded area at Poynor Park.
- Began work on fixing up the Native Shrub Garden at Corron Farm (delayed due to nesting birds).

Trainings/ Meetings:

- Met with representatives from the St. Charles Arts Council to discuss opportunities within the Township.
- Met with V3 and Headwaters farmer to discuss restoration plans.
- Attended May FREP (Fox River Echo System Partnership) meeting – topic of discussion was mosquitos and prevention/control options.
- Met with Ferson Creek Elementary representatives to discuss Adopt-A-Park Program.
- Dog Days of Summer planning meeting – looking like an exciting year!
- Assisted Garfield Farm with a Prairie Walk, and discussed future possibilities of working together.

Upcoming:

- Summer weed control. (Thistle, Sweet Clover, Teasel, etc.)
- Re-sprout follow up in winter cleared areas.
- Finish Corron Farm Native Shrub Garden.
- Continuing wildlife studies.
- Scheduling work days for Eagle projects.
- Various open house dates for Town Hall and Corron Farm throughout summer.
- Possible Junior Naturalist program offered by Jen Milakovic (confirming dates).
- Possible guided bird walks put on by volunteers.
- Volunteer work days, dates to be determined. Looking to start a weekly Stewards group.
- Spring seed collection.
- Vegetation inventory throughout prairies.

Gray Willows Planning Committee – Trustee Miller: J. Miller stated there is nothing new. We are waiting to hear from V3 regarding the installation of wetlands at Gray Willows.

Websites Improvements Report – Trustee Stutesman: Absent.

Supervisor Report – John Kupa: Supervisor Kupa stated:

- I met with Donald Ortale who is the Executive Director of the National Association of Park Foundations (NAPF). They are the trusted national leader in providing knowledge, skills, and capacity to local park foundations, volunteers, and other citizens who work to enhance and strengthen park systems in their communities. The NAPF helps communities develop park foundations to help fund development projects and programs in communities such as Campton Township. The development of a park foundation in Campton Township is one strategy we should evaluate to help maintain long term funding of our open space areas. I have invited Mr. Ortale to speak to the Township Board about the benefits of a park foundation. Our target date is the Board meeting in September.
- I met with the President and Village Board of Lily Lake. We discussed the new security policy of the Village offices. This new policy was predicated by an incident with the Fire Department and the Villages assessment that there were too many keys issued to former Village officials. They were also concerned with the number of keys the Township issued to its staff and former officials.

I also discussed the Intergovernmental Agreement between Kane County, the Wasco Sanitary District, and Campton Township in regard to monitoring the potential communication of groundwater between near surface aquifers and the St. Peters Sandstone aquifer beneath the Township. The Lily Lake Village Board agreed this is an issue that their Village should monitor as it affects their residents. The Village would like to contribute to the ground water study. They are in the planning stage for their next budget and they will allocate funds to the study.

Campton Township's Kane County Board Representative Barbara Wojnicki stated Kane County approved the Water Study Agreement. It includes Kane County, the Wasco Sanitary District, and Campton Township.

- Supervisor Kuper continued stating Campton Township was copied on a letter from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) that was sent to V3 regarding the granting of a permit to allow for minor regrading and excavation work along the western portion of Tucker Run. The IDNR granted the permit under a Statewide No. 6, which automatically authorizes this type of minor non-obstructive floodway construction activities. I have a copy for your files.
- Lois Ekstrom made a generous donation of a safe that was once used by the Bergland family. George Bergland started a general store in Wasco in 1887. In the early 1900's the general store was replaced by the red brick two story building which is now the post office. One half of the building was used as a post office and the other half was used as a grocery store and meat market. In addition, the Berglands had several other businesses in Wasco including a lumber yard, coal, poultry, and animal feed stores, and a mill for grinding grain. When the Hummel family bought the business interests of the Berglands in 1947, this safe was located in the lumber yard office.

The George Bergland Safe Story

The following information was compiled by Christine Johnson Brauer from a written history provided by George Bergland, grandson of George Claus Bergland, and the Fred Hummel family:

George Claus Bergland was born in Sweden and lived in that country for his first 26 years. In 1869, he immigrated to America where he worked at farming as a hired helper.

In 1876 George married Anna Louisa Swanson whose family were early settlers in the area. They settled in Wasco and built a handsome Victorian home.

In 1887, George began a general store in a small wooden building. It is said the building was moved from a nearby location to the present site of the general store/post office today. When the Minnesota and Northwestern Railroad (Great Western) came through Campton Township, the store made perfect sense. The first freight trains coming through Wasco carried supplies for the general store.

In the early 1900's the wooden structure was replaced with the much larger two story brick structure that stands today. With the advent of the automobile, two gas pumps were set on either side of the corner at the front of the building. The second floor of the building was divided into two rental units. The store building included a post office for which George Bergland was named the first post master on September 1, 1887. One half of the ground floor was used as a grocery/meat market. The other half was used as the post office and hardware store. The Bergland family retail interests were managed under the title of BERGLAND AND COMPANY. North of the store was a lumber yard. It was a series of buildings providing lumber and wood products, various kinds of coal (bituminous and anthracite), and animal and poultry feed – as well as feed meal from grinding feed products for local farmers. East of the lumber yard, along the Great Western Railroad tracks, were stock yard buildings to hold animals shipped by rail.

There were two safes once owned by the Bergland family. The smaller safe is now in the possession of Campton Township. It is believed that safe may have been first used in the wooden store structure. When the Hummel family bought the business from the Bergland family around 1947, the safe was then located at the lumber yard. The safe was important as there were no banks to keep money secure.

Mr. Hummel gave the safe to Harold Ekstrom. Harold worked for the Berglands and the Hummels. Harold later became post master. In 2017, his wife Lois decided to donate the safe to Campton Township for safe keeping.

5. Approval of Minutes:

a. Board Meeting May 9, 2017: J. Miller moved the Board approve the minutes of the meeting of May 9, 2017. S. Galloway seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Stutesman was absent. The motion passed.

6. Citizens' Comments: Ken Shepro, attorney for the Fox River and Countryside Fire/Rescue District gave the District's thanks for Campton Township's support for the recent referendum. He stated this referendum did not pass but it made significant progress over the first one. The first referendum was 19% yes while the second was 40% yes. With the help of many people, the District went from 1000 vote deficit in Campton Township the first time, to 169 vote deficit the second time. This is significant progress. The District will probably run another referendum next March. There were two fires in South Elgin at the same time recently, so the Valley View station took one, and the Campton Township station took the other. We will try to get the community more involved. We welcome your comments. If you want to visit either station for a tour you are all welcome. There will be a pancake breakfast for residents put together by Scouts at the Campton Hills station at 40W364 Routh 64, Wasco. This will be on Sunday morning June 25th.

7. Old Business – Presentation and Discussion for Action:

a. Review and Act Upon Fox Valley Wildlife use of HCA area of Motz: Andrea of Fox Valley Wildlife spoke to IDOT (Illinois Department of Transportation) and was advised they don't need to do any road improvements by their proposed facility on Route 38. Kane County Board Representative Barbara Wojnicki advised that she get this in writing to be safe. J. Miller moved the Board table this agenda item. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Stutesman was absent. The motion passed.

b. Discuss and Act Upon Planning Commission Appointment: J. Miller moved the Board table this agenda item. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Stutesman was absent. The motion passed.

c. Review and Act Upon Revised Presentation and Proposal by St. Charles Arts Council for use of part of GW Main House for Temporary Exhibit: Peggy Sue Seehafer and Elizabeth Bellaver presented on behalf of the St. Charles Arts Council to use the main house at Gray Willows for pop up art shows, events and programs from August 2017 through December 2018. Pop up galleries are temporary. They come and go. They have one at Pheasant Run now. Their organization has approved providing track lighting for shows at Gray Willows and they will clean and paint there to provide an attractive setting. Rental of finished spaces for meetings, weddings and events could result in shared revenue that would help both organizations. And you will have art on the walls when you have meetings there. J. Miller stated does this meet your needs for parking? Answer was we can use shuttles. Our openings are usually on Friday nights. Receptions are commonly 150 to 200 people. J. Kuper stated we have a planning process for Gray Willows that includes public participation. Trustee Miller is leading the development of the site for activities and venues. E. Murphy stated the question is parking and liability. J. Miller stated the Gray Willows planning subcommittee is looking at July for a meeting to discuss things like this. He invited Arts Council representatives to come and participate in the July meeting. E. Murphy moved the Board table this agenda item. S. Galloway seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Stutesman was absent. The motion passed.

d. Review and Act Upon Approval for Contracted Ecological Management Services at Headwaters: J. Miller moved the Board table this agenda item. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Stutesman was absent. The motion passed.

8. New Business – Presentation and Discussion for Action:

a. Review and Act Upon Campton Township Establishing of Prevailing Wage 2017 Ordinance 17-2T: J. Miller moved the Board approve the Campton Township 2017 Prevailing Wage Ordinance NO. 17-2T. S. Galloway seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Stutesman was absent. The Ordinance passed.

b. Review and Act Upon Campton Township Road District Establishing of Prevailing Wage 2017 Ordinance 17-2R: E. Murphy moved the Board approve the Campton Township 2017 Road and Bridge District Prevailing Wage Ordinance NO. 17-2R. J. Miller seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Stutesman was absent. The Ordinance passed.

c. Discuss and Act Upon Update from V3 on Gray Willows MBI: Pat Kennedy and Tom Slowinski of V3 presented regarding the wetland mitigation bank project stating they have approval for Phase II at Blackberry Creek (Headwaters) 26.32 remaining credits. At Gray Willows we have 15.7 credits for sale.

We can sell up to 30% of Gray Willows credits in three sections. These are 42 acres, 20 acres, and 32 acres, for a total of 94 acres that reestablish wetlands. We can use the 25,000 to 30,000 yards of spoils from Gray Willows to flatten the ball fields at Poynor Park. J. Miller moved the Board approve the update. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Stutesman was absent. The motion passed.

d. Review and Act Upon Homeschooled Family Picnic at Corron Farm, Wednesday August 30, 2017: J. Miller moved the Board approve the Liberty Liberal Arts Academy home school picnic to take place at Corron Farm on August 30th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Stutesman was absent. The motion passed.

e. Review and Act Upon Cyclocross Event at Anderson Park, Sunday October 28-29, 2017 (event is 10/29): J. Miller moved the Board approve the Cyclocross race preparations, and the race, to take place October 28th and 29th at Anderson Park. S. Galloway seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Stutesman was absent. The motion passed.

f. Review and Act Upon Update for Prairie Fest: E. Murphy moved this agenda item be tabled. J. Miller seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Stutesman was absent. The motion passed.

g. Review and Act Upon Award for Corron Farm Barn Bid: Clerk Johansen stated the bid document needs a Cashier's Check and a Certificate of Insurance to be complete. E. Murphy stated it need not be a Cashier's Check but an equivalent guarantee at the bank that the funds are available. T. Serewicz stated he would follow up to complete the bid. J. Miller moved the Board table this agenda item. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Stutesman was absent. The motion passed.

9. Claims and Demands Authorized for Payment: E. Murphy moved the Board amend the amounts of claims and demands to be:

a. Town Fund \$10,949.18

c. Open Space Fund \$14,094.72 + \$739.33

d. Road & Bridge Fund \$33,864.47

S. Galloway seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Stutesman was absent. The motion passed.

a. Town Fund \$10,949.18: J. Miller moved the Board approve the claims and demands on the Town Fund in the amount of \$10,949.18. S. Galloway seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Stutesman was absent. The motion passed.

b. Capital Improvement Fund \$-0-

c. Open Space Fund \$14,094.72 + \$739.33: E. Murphy moved the Board approve the claims and demands on the Open Space Fund in the amount of \$14,094.72 + \$739.33 = \$14,834.05. J. Miller seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Stutesman was absent. The motion passed.

d. Road and Bridge Fund \$33,864.47: S. Galloway moved the Board approve the claims and demands on the Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of \$33,864.47. J. Miller seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Stutesman was absent. The motion passed.

10. Executive Session – Personnel; Land Acquisition; Review Executive Session Minutes of May 9, 2017: E. Murphy moved the Board go into Executive Session to discuss land acquisition. S. Galloway seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Stutesman was absent. The motion passed and Executive Session began at 9:42 p.m.

11. New Business Continued: Supervisor Kuper resumed the regular session at 10:18 p.m.

aa. Review and Act Upon Approve Executive Session Minutes of May 9, 2017: No action.

12. Adjournment: J. Miller moved the Board adjourn the meeting. S. Galloway seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Galloway, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Stutesman was absent. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 10:19 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Johansen

Clerk