

1. 2. 3. The March 8, 2022 Board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Kuper at the Community Center at 8:33 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Clerk Johansen called the roll with Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Varsho, Murphy, and Miller present.

4. Reports:

Highway Commissioner – Sam Gallucci: Commissioner Gallucci stated 14 of the 16 Kane County Townships used the Kane County bid for road salt, and we and one other township used the State of Illinois bid for road salt, resulting in Campton and the other township paying \$11.00 less a ton for salt than the other 14 Kane County townships. We saved a lot of Township money on road salt. We plowed and salted on 02/02, 02/17, 02/18, 02/19, 02/24, 02/25/2022. Our plows widened all streets and intersections throughout Campton Township, the Village of Campton Hills, and Campton Hills in Plato Township due to drifting snow. We prepared brine in tanks on trucks for treatment of roadways with brine. We applied sand on Garfield Road. We repaired damaged mailboxes and posts throughout Campton Township and the Village of Campton Hills; assessed roadways for drainage problems and potholes; repaired potholes with cold patch throughout the Township and Village; checked all stop signs in the Township and Village on a weekly basis and replaced damaged or missing ones; and we checked for the issuance of culvert permits throughout the Township and Village. All trucks were cleaned and washed after every snow event and ongoing maintenance on Township vehicles and equipment was performed in-house by Highway District staff.

Assessor – Alan D. Rottmann: Al was not available yet.

Solid Waste District – Larry Gallagher, President: Solid Waste President Gallagher stated the first in person meeting since July 20th will take place next week at the Lily Lake office 43W870 Empire Road. The District will see a small rate increase as follows: the 35 gallon cart \$0.52; 62 gallon \$0.62; 95 gallon \$0.72. The Solid Waste District phone number is 630 448-0070. The web site is: ctswdd.com They meet at 7:30 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month at Lily Lake, 43W870 Empire Road.

Financial Report – Cheryl Stutesman, Finance Director: Finance Director Stutesman gave a brief financial report. The Town and Road District budgets follow below.

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

Operations Manager – Tom Serewicz: Operations Manager Serewicz stated:

- **At Anderson Park** snow was plowed, storm culverts cleaned, parking lot barricades fixed, and the pipeline contractor was assisted.
- **At Whitney Park** snow was plowed, ice control applied to the sidewalk, and heat checked at the house.
- **At the Community Center** snow was plowed, ice control applied to the sidewalk, and we assisted in ordering the new floor.

- **At Corron Farm** snow was plowed, ice control was applied by the main house, the dairy barn was cleaned, a new park sign was installed, and the big tool shed was cleaned.

- **At Gray Willows** snow was plowed, ice control was applied to the main house sidewalk, the shop was cleaned, ice control was applied to the parking lot, and heat was checked in the main house.
- **At the Harley Woods, Torchy Property** snow was plowed, and two new park signs were installed.
- **At Town Hall** snow was plowed, ice control applied to sidewalks, and heat was checked in Town Hall.
- **Brown Road Meadows** closed for the season.
- **Lily Lake Blue Park** plowed snow in the parking lot, apply ice control to the sidewalks, take garbage out weekly.
- **Headwaters Conservation Area** snow was plowed, ice control applied to the dog park and around the port-o-let.
- **Poynor Park** plow snow at the entrance, closed for the season.
- **In General** trucks were sanitized daily, office staff was assisted, trucks were washed and cleaned, truck #51's bed was undercoated, snow plows were serviced, met with Supervisor about Corron Farm dairy barn work, met with Finance Director about budget, attended Planning Commission meeting.

Assessor – Alan D. Rottmann: Assessor Rottmann stated he is evaluating last year's sales. The Ponds of Stony Creek development has 1400 houses under roof.

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

Projects Completed/Ongoing:

1. Planted seed at Corron Farm, Gray Willows Farm, and Harley Woods.
2. Prepared flats for 2022 growing season.
3. Promoting/taking reservations for Community Gardens. All existing raised beds are reserved with a waitlist of about 6 people on the new beds being built. We had 100% retention on 2021 raised bed gardeners.
4. Assisted operations staff as needed.
5. Installed signs at Corron Farm and Harley Woods as part of grant projects.
6. Working on potential grant projects for upcoming year.
7. Continuing winter brush clearing projects at Harley Woods and Gray Willows Farm. Wrapping up brush clearing season as the ground softens.
8. Processed GIS (Geographic Information System) data from growing season. Looking at ways to increase efficiency and effectiveness of GIS data collection moving forward.
9. Continued work on Township brand guide.
10. Preparing 2022/23 budget.
11. Began work on planning 2022 All Wheel Show.
12. Kane County Wild Ones will be hosting their annual Native Plant Sale at Gray Willows Farm in May. This will be a great promotion for the Parks & Open Space Program.
13. Began spring prescribed burns.
14. Working with 9 other agencies led by the St. Charles Park District on the Kane County Spring 2022 Ephemerals iNaturalist Citizen Science project.
15. Pruned trees in turf areas.

Meetings/Trainings/Public Outreach:

1. Met with Anderson Human Society regarding potential partnerships. Currently working out plans for them to host their kids summer camp program at Gray Willows Farm.
2. Attended Planning Commission meeting.
3. Staffed promotional booth at Campton Hills Winter Wonders.
4. Attended Campton Township Open Space Foundation meeting.

Volunteer Service:

1. Cub Scout Pack 260 carried out a brush clearing work day at Gray Willows Farm.
2. Multiple Eagle Scout projects in progress, anticipating upcoming workdays.

	Hours	IRS Value	Staff Value
Total Volunteer Hours to Date	1168.50	\$31,783.20	\$14,022.00
Volunteer Steward Hours to Date	133.50	\$3,631.20	\$1,602.00

Planning Commission Report: Jesse Varsho stated that the last Planning Commission meeting was held February 23rd. Tom Serewicz presented an overview of previous equestrian use and associated issues at Corron Farm. Many of the issues discussed led the Township to eliminate equestrian use at Corron Farm. Jesse gave home work assignments to Plan Commissioners. Look at debits ? to see if trails can be open to horses or to other uses. The homework was to look at three Forest preserves to compare to our open space. We have one out of seven sites that we allow horse use. Lake County allows 17% of the area for horse use. Kane County allows 20% horse use. Any areas they had sensitive restoration they did not allow horse use. Our next meeting is the end of March, then a field trip to Corron Farm. We will walk trails to gain a better understanding of the condition of the existing trails, and, determine a path forward for potential equestrian use without incurring any damage to the restoration work we have undertaken at Corron Farm.

Supervisor Report – John Kupa: Supervisor Kupa stated:

- I spoke with Thomas Jeffris, President of the Jeffris Family Foundation and Royce Yeater, Regional Director of the Foundation regarding potential funding for the Whitney Schoolhouse restoration. In my last conversation with them last month they asked how the Illinois State Historic Preservation Office would rate the significance of placing the Whitney Schoolhouse on the National Register. There are three ratings, Local significance, Regional significance, and National significance. The Foundation only funds those projects that are rated either of Regional significance or National significance. Josh Nelson checked with the Illinois State Historic Preservation Office on how they would rate the Whitney Schoolhouse for inclusion on the National Register. Unfortunately, the State would only support a rating of Local significance. Based on this rating, the Jeffris Family Foundation will not be able to provide funding for the schoolhouse restoration.
- Township staff and the Board have been working on the budget for 2022-2023 over two months. Final review of the budget was completed yesterday. I would like to thank staff of all departments, including the Road District, Assessor’s Office, Open Space, Park Maintenance, and the Township Board for doing a great job on this.
- I had several conversations with V3 with regards to expansion of the Township’s Wetlands Bank program. V3 has an internal Board meeting later this month to decide what project(s) will be proposed to the Township. In all likelihood, they will propose the expansion of Headwaters East. This would provide approximately an additional 25 acres of credits.
- I have found two candidates for the Township Board, and one candidate for the Township Planning Commission for us to consider at our next meeting. I will send the candidate applications to you to review in the next week.

- Tom Serewicz and I are still in the process of getting data together for our meeting with Mesic Vale. Tom took pictures of all the items covered in our punch list which have to be addressed by Mesic Vale. We anticipate that this meeting will occur in the next two weeks.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finally, this is Joe Miller's last meeting with us. Joe and his family are moving to Wisconsin at the end of March. His company finally offered him a deal he could not refuse. Joe has been a great asset to the Board and the Township on many, many fronts. I for one will miss his detailed analysis of issues and solutions to problems. On behalf of the Township, we wish you and your family the best of luck in Wisconsin. |
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5. Approval of Minutes:

a. Board Meeting February 8, 2022: J. Varsho moved the Board approve the minutes of the meeting of February 8, 2022. J. Miller seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Varsho, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. The motion passed.

6. Citizens' Comments: None.

7. Old Business – Presentation and Discussion for Action:

a. Review and Act Upon Whitney School House Proposal: J. Miller moved the Board table this agenda item. J. Varsho seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Varsho, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. The motion passed.

8. New Business – Presentation and Discussion for Action:

a. Review and Act Upon Approval to Replace Floor in Community Center: A. Rottmann stated he has money in his budget to pay this bill if Tom Serewicz and the operations crew remove the old tile. J. Varsho moved the Board approve paying the Great Western Flooring Co. quote # JE012619-003 in the amount of \$8,596.67. J. Miller seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Varsho, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. The motion passed.

b. Review and Act Upon Approval to Hold 2022 All Wheel Show on September 25, 2022: Restoration Ecologist Nelson stated to enhance our second All Wheel Show he wants to add a beer garden and tent. We can get approval from Kane County. Obscurity Brewing will provide the tent and license. This will be a fund raiser event at Poyner Park. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Varsho, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. The motion passed.

c. Review and Act Upon Approval of Agenda for the 2022 Annual Town Meeting: J. Varsho moved the Board approve the Agenda of the 2022 Annual Town Meeting. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Varsho, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. The motion passed.

d. Review and Act Upon Campton Township General Town Fund Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance #22-1T: E. Murphy moved the Board approve the Campton Township General Town Fund Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance. J. Miller seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Varsho, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. The Ordinance passed.

e. Review and Act Upon Campton Township Road and Bridge Fund Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance #22-1R: E. Murphy moved the Board approve the Campton Township Road and Bridge Fund Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance #22-1R. J. Varsho seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Varsho, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. The Ordinance passed.

9. Claims and Demands Authorized for Payment:

a. Town Fund \$4,335.05: J. Miller moved the Board approve the claims and demands on the Town Fund in the amount of \$4,335.05. J. Varsho seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Varsho, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. The motion passed.

b. Road & Bridge Fund \$94,022.98: J. Varsho moved the Board approve the claims and demands on the Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of \$94,022.98. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Varsho, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. The motion passed.

c. Capital Improvement Fund \$0

d. Open Space Fund \$14,081.88: J. Miller moved the Board approve the claims and demands on the Open Space Fund in the amount of \$14,081.88. J. Varsho seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Varsho, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. The motion passed.

10. Executive Session – Review Executive Session Minutes of February 8, 2022; Land Acquisition; Personnel Issues; Legal Issues: J. Miller moved the Board go into Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing the Executive Session minutes of February 8, 2022, land acquisition, personnel issues, legal issues, and include Restoration Ecologist Nelson in Executive Session. J. Varsho seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Varsho, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. The motion passed and Executive Session began.

11. New Business Continued: Supervisor Kuper reconvened the regular session at 9:30 p.m.

aa. Review and Act Upon Whether to Approve Executive Session Minutes of February 8, 2022: J. Varsho moved the Board approve the Executive Session minutes of February 8, 2022. J. Miller seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Varsho, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. The motion passed.

12. Adjournment: Joseph Miller (his last meeting with us) moved this meeting be adjourned. E. Murphy seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Varsho, Murphy, and Miller voted aye. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Johansen

Clerk