

1. 2. 3. The September 9, 2014 Board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Kupar at 7:41 p.m. at the Community Center. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Clerk Johansen called the roll with Supervisor Kupar and Trustees Stutesman, Vandiver, and Miller present. Trustee Murphy was absent.

T. Stutesman moved the Board move agenda item 8.a. up to follow roll call. The motion was seconded by V. Vandiver. In a voice vote Supervisor Kupar and Trustees Stutesman, Vandiver, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Murphy was absent. The motion passed.

8. New Business – Presentation and Discussion for Action:

a. Review and Act Upon Eagle Scout Project proposed by Adam Finke: Eagle Scout candidate Adam Finke spoke on behalf of his Eagle Scout project stating he lives in St. Charles and his scout troop is out of Baker Memorial Church. For his project he proposes to restore the nature walk at Corron Farm by covering it with mulch in time to be used for Prairie Fest. He also proposes to make a kiosk that will provide information about Corron Farm and Campton Township open space. He proposes to restore the trail by covering it with mulch this weekend, and to build the kiosk within the next month. J. Kupar thanked scout Adam Finke and asked him to come back next month with a design and location for the kiosk. V. Vandiver moved the Board approve the trail and kiosk subject to the design and location of the kiosk being approved by open space staff. J. Miller seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kupar and Trustees Stutesman, Vandiver, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Murphy was absent. The motion passed.

4. Reports:

Highway Commissioner – Sam Gallucci: Highway Commissioner Gallucci stated brush pick-up begins Tuesday, October 14th north of Route 64, Monday, October 20th south of Route 64, and Monday, October 27th in Plato Township. There appears to be a major storm coming up tonight and tomorrow that could damage trees. If you have a tree down, call and get put on the list for pick-up. If the tree is on private property, Township employees cannot go in and get it, but if you pull the tree to the ditch, the Township can pick it up. Road and drainage projects were completed that consisted of digging out culvert ends, culvert openings, replacing culverts, catch basins and 3” to 4” drain tiles. Soil and seed was used to shape ditches for the installation of landscape matting and rip/rap. Shoulder gravel and landscape work was completed on Castle, Fox Bend, Cloverfield, Prairie Valley, Hidden Springs, and Dillonfield Drives; Pine Hills Road; Venetian Way; Denker Lane; Grady Court; and McDonald Road for the Village of Campton Hills in Plato Township; and Hazelwood Trail for the Village of Lily Lake. Dura Patching was completed on Whitney, Wooley, Welter, and Brundige Roads; Willowbrook, Weybridge, and Deer Run Drives; Deer Haven Trail; and Cross Creek Court. The road crew cleaned roadways and swept up excess stones from the Dura Patching in Campton Township and the Village of Campton Hills. Patches were asphalted on Mary, Woodland and Pine Hills Drives; Mary and Meadowlark Courts; Cloverfield Circle; and Anderson Road. Roadways were assessed for drainage problems and pot holes. Potholes were repaired with cold patch throughout Campton Township and the Village of Campton Hills; all stop lines, crosswalks, turn only arrows and road edge lines were restriped with white paint throughout the Township and Village; storm damage was cut and chipped throughout the Township and Village; all minor intersections were swept in the Township and Village; trash was picked up along numerous roadways 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 culverts were checked for permits throughout the Township and Village. Ongoing maintenance on Township vehicles and equipment was performed in house by Township staff.

Assessor – Alan D. Rottmann: On Vacation.

Solid Waste District – President Jack Berry: Solid Waste District President Berry stated the District is in the process of counting down to a contract with a waste hauler. They need a new contract by April of next year. They may go out to RFP (Request For Proposals). They are also looking at starting a new composting program.

Financial Report – Louise McKay: Finance Director McKay appeared by written report due to being on vacation. She stated:

- The Audited Financial Statements, the Annual Financial Report, and the Annual Treasurer's Report were filed with the Kane County Clerk this month. The Annual Treasurer's Report was published in the Kane County Chronicle on August 26th. This completes all the state statute filings required by September 30th.
- PMA purchased the following Certificates of Deposit for the Maintenance Account on August 1st.
 1. A \$246,247.95 GE Capital Retail Bank/GE Money Bank 3.3%, yield 3.24%, maturing 8-1-24.
 2. A \$82,322.18 GE Capital Bank 3%, yield 2.95% maturing 8-1-23.
- Town Fund expenditures in total are within budget for the month of August and year to date. Year to date Town Fund departments are: Administration \$6000.00 under budget; Assessor \$1000.00 over budget; Parks \$300.00 over budget. Over budget line items have offsetting under budget line items.
- Road & Bridge continues to have overages due to truck repairs. The contractual road resurfacing budget is recorded in August but the Campton Hills Road resurfacing project has not been completed and billed thus there is a \$173,000.00 under budget line item. It is possible that Road's total expenditures for the year could be approximately \$5,000.00 - \$10,000.00 over budget, depending on future equipment repairs.
- The Capital Improvements Fund is within budget.
- Open Space is almost within the overall budget. Rainy weather has taken its toll on equipment and several unanticipated expenditures have occurred.
- The final payment for the Gray Willows barn roof is included in the cash disbursements for this month.

Corron Farm Preservation Society Update – Vice Chair Judi Arman:

- **As a follow-up to Vice Chair Judi Arman's report last month on Laura Ingalls (married name Wilder) when she lived here as a child, Judi provided a map that located the Ingalls properties in Plato Township. Laura Ingalls Wilder wrote the Little House on the Prairie books as an adult. Her grandfather, James Ingalls property was in Section 35 Plato Township (41N) Kane County at 35 NWNE; 35 NENW which straddles Corron Road, most of it on the west side, but the cemetery with Ingalls family members is on the east side. South of James Ingalls was the Jasper Ingalls and the Joseph Ingalls properties in the same section. In Section 26 just north of Section 35 was Samuel Vorhen Ingalls, another family member. Clerk Johansen thanked Corron Farm Preservation Society Vice Chair Arman for her research on local history.**
- Vice Chair Arman continued, the Corron Farm Preservation Society is involved with Prairie Fest which is September 20th from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. There is a 50/50 raffle for the Preservation Society. There will be wagon rides.

Village of Campton Hills – President Patsy Smith: Village of Campton Hills President Smith stated:

- The Village has an opening on a joint committee with the Township.
- They had Fall Fest at the Congregational Church.
- The Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC) came out with a preliminary vote against the ComEd electrical transmission towers. The ruling is only preliminary. They are looking at putting them under ground, but the cost for that is huge.
- The Village has to match its Comprehensive Land Use Plan with Zoning now.
- She provided Clerk Johansen with the Village of Campton Hills Police Reports for the months of May, June, and July 2014.

Open Space Program Manager – Lisa Mertz: Open Space Program Manager Mertz reported:

- Preparations for the **eighth annual Prairie Fest** are well underway. She thanked Susan Bles for contributing the design for this year's poster. The hand painted poppy motif was done in honor of Mrs. Lucinda Corron. Secondly, she thanked Josh Nelson for rounding up 20 scout volunteers to cut 3 truckloads of weeds to improve the wagon tour route. Accolades will be given to others after the Prairie Fest event on September 20th.

- She and Operations Manager Serewicz have been working with **Eagle Scout candidate** Adam Finke to design and schedule improvements to the Corron Farm Woodland Trail. Adam has made extra effort to assist the Township by completing this portion of his project in time for Prairie Fest.
- The **Open Space Volunteer Program** has begun utilizing the on-line VolunteerMatch.org service. We will be actively promoting volunteer workdays and events on the Chicagoland Environmental Network website. Also, we now have membership in the DuPage Association of Volunteer Administration, and she will be meeting monthly with local volunteer coordinators to share insights on attracting, supporting, and retaining volunteers.
- At the **Gray Willows Scout Campsite** a successful campout took place this past weekend. The fire pit was used for the first time, and no Boy Scouts were transported away by mosquitoes.

Operations Manager – Tom Serewicz: Operations Manager Serewicz reported:

- **At Gray Willows** trails were cut and mowed, and bushes trimmed. Plywood was replaced on the horse barn porch. A new flat metal roof was installed on the porch of the antique rental house. A new roof was begun on the caretaker's house and a lightning rod will be installed on the horse barn by Neal Anderson at no cost to the Township. He will bring the lift back to do this.
- **At the Headwaters Conservation Area** mowing and weed whacking was done, weeds were herbicided, wood chips were added to the dog run, and the alarm was repaired and recoded.
- **At Harley Woods** the kiosk was repaired.
- **At Anderson Park** mowing and weed whacking was done, trees were mulched, and weeds were herbicided.
- **At Corron Farm** mowing, weed whacking, hedge pruning, and herbiciding was done. Contractors were called to repair a water line, and to remove bees. The barn roof tarping was completed, as was Prairie Fest preparation. The Eagle Scout wood chip trail was begun.
- **At Poynor Park** trails were mowed, bushes trimmed, and weeds herbicided. Parking lot places were striped.
- **In general**, the new dump truck is in service, office furniture was donated (thanks to John Kubar), a safety book meeting was had for chapter one, and a contractor was hired for ragweed control at Corron Farm.
- There is nothing to report on Town Hall or Burlington Park.

Educational Opportunities at Campton Properties – Trustee Vandiver: Trustee Vandiver:

- offered the Board honey which was accepted with appreciation. She stated it is from a bee keeper she knows on Crane Road that we could invite to bring his bees to Corron or Gray Willows Farms.
- She suggested the Board consider community gardening plots on Township open space to promote community involvement and revenue.
- She proposed contacting science teachers to invite kids to Town Hall for them to learn local government. Trustee Joe Miller volunteered teach aquatic biology to scouts.

Joint Environmental Resource Management Committee – Rob Linke, John Kubar: No quorum, so no meeting this month.

Supervisor's Report – John Kubar: Supervisor Kubar stated:

- Open Space Program Manager Mertz and himself met with Tom Slowinski and Patrick Kennedy of the V3 Companies. Tom is Vice President of the Wetlands Practice and Patrick is Executive Vice President of the firm. V3 would like to do some additional investigation on the Phase II portion of the Headwaters Conservation Area (HCA) wetlands bank.
 1. They are not getting the appropriate water to maximize the amount of wetlands credits on this portion of the wetlands bank.
 2. They are proposing to take additional soil borings and conduct a tile survey on the Phase II portion.
 3. Once this is done, V3 is proposing to undertake \$322K in construction to break the tiles and try to get additional water to the Phase II area.
 4. This would result in the creation of an additional 14.2 wet lands credits and the potential of creating more.
- The Supervisor expressed to them that the Board is not happy with the revenues generated by the wetlands bank to date.
 1. While we are grateful we have high quality wetlands at HCA, one of the primary goals of the wetlands bank was to secure revenues to fund our open space program.

2. Trustee and CPA Murphy, and the Supervisor will do an in-depth review of the current contract.
 3. The current contract was negotiated more than 8 years ago. The Township is looking to increase its share of the wetlands proceeds.
 4. The current contract will expire in the next two years.
 5. We will meet sometime over the next two weeks to discuss potential revenue sharing options.
- We received the latest Blackberry Creek Mitigation Bank Quarterly report (second Quarter 2014). We sold 1.2 credits this period. Based on this sale we have a total remaining of 36.64 credits. Which, includes approximately 22 certified acres and 14 uncertified acres.
 - We toured the Gray Willows farm with V3. They are interested in providing the Township with a proposal to develop a wetlands bank to include stream credits and certified wetlands credits.
 - Finally, IDOT (Illinois Department of Transportation) notified the Township that they will be resurfacing Route 64 from the county line to Route 47. The project will start the later part of September.
 - And we received an invitation to the Kane County Farm Bureau's 8th Harvest Picnic on Wednesday, September 17th from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Volpp Farm on Peplow Road, in Hampshire.

5. Approval of Minutes:

- a. *Board Meeting August 12, 2014:* T. Stutesman moved the Board approve the minutes of the meeting of August 12, 2014. V. Vandiver seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Stutesman, Vandiver, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Murphy was absent. The motion passed.
- b. *Special Board Meeting July 21, 2014:* T. Stutesman moved the Board approve the minutes of the Special Board meeting of July 21, 2014. V. Vandiver seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper, Trustees Stutesman and Vandiver voted aye. Trustee Miller abstained. Trustee Murphy was absent. The motion passed.

6. Citizens' Comments:

- Village of Campton Hills President Smith asked if the Township has a park site that would be appropriate for children's playground equipment, swing sets, for example. The Airline Piolet Society of the Village of Maple Park wants to donate this equipment. Supervisor Kuper said to contact him.
- Volunteer Jack Shouba stated nature oriented playgrounds that are different from traditional playgrounds are available. Kids can make a log house, for example. We could do this at Gray Willows. This is in a power point presentation. Supervisor Kuper stated it can also be designed for children of all different abilities. Open Space Manager Mertz, Trustee Vandiver, and Supervisor Kuper asked Jack to e-mail the power point to them.
- Clerk Johansen stated:
 1. Township Officials of Kane County is having their thirty-fourth annual dinner meeting for elected officials and invitees Wednesday, October 22, 2014, at Lincoln Inn Banquets in Batavia with social hour at 6:00 p.m. and dinner at 7:00 p.m. The dinner honors Township Assessors. Kane County Coroner Rob Russell will present on the State of the Kane County Coroner's Office. All Board members are invited and I hope to see you all there.
 2. Township Officials of Illinois (TOI) recently sent Board members in all Townships a legislative survey asking what public policy issues are important to townships. Please fill this out and send it in so that issues important to townships can become part of the TOI legislative agenda.

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

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b. *Review and Act Upon Boy Scout Rocket Launch @ Poynor Park on October 4 or 5:* Trustee Vandiver stated the 5th is the rain date. The Boy Scouts Pack #165 will carry its own liability insurance and will name Campton Township as additional insured. They will provide waivers of liability from all participants. T. Stutesman moved the Board approve Boy Scouts of America Pack #165 rocket launch at Poyor Park for October 4th or 5th. V. Vandiver seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Stutesman, Vandiver, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Murphy was absent. The motion passed.

c. Review and Act Upon Pumpkin Pedal Event at Community Center on October 5: T. Stutesman moved the Board assign approval to the Supervisor subject to his discretion. V. Vandiver seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Stutesman, Vandiver, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Murphy was absent. The motion passed.

9. Claims and Demands Authorized for Payment:

a. Town Fund - \$6,218.60: T. Stutesman moved the Board approve the claims and demands on the Town Fund in the amount of \$6,218.60. V. Vandiver seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Stutesman, Vandiver, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Murphy was absent. The motion passed.

b. Capital Improvements - \$-0-

c. Open Space Fund - \$28,960.12: T. Stutesman moved the Board approve the claims and demands on the Open Space Fund in the amount of \$28,960.12. V. Vandiver seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Stutesman, Vandiver, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Murphy was absent. The motion passed.

d. Road and Bridge Fund - \$58,664.72 – T. Stutesman moved the Board approve the claims and demands on the Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of \$58,664.72. V. Vandiver seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Stutesman, Vandiver, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Murphy was absent. The motion passed.

10. Executive Session – Review Executive Session Minutes of Feb. 11, 2014; May 7, 2014; June 10, 2014; and July 8, 2014: T. Stutesman moved the Board go into Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing Executive Session minutes of Feb. 11, 2014; May 7, 2014; June 10, 2014; and July 8, 2014. J. Miller seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Stutesman, Vandiver, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Murphy was absent. The motion passed and Executive Session began at 9:35 p.m.

11. New Business Cont. – Supervisor Kuper reconvened the regular session at 9:45 p.m.

d. Review and Act Upon Executive Session Minutes of Feb. 11, 2014; May 7, 2014; June 10, 2014; and July 8, 2014: J. Kuper moved the Board approve the Executive Session minutes of Feb. 11, 2014; May 7, 2014; June 10, 2014; and July 8, 2014. V. Vandiver seconded the motion. In a roll call vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Stutesman and Vandiver voted aye. Trustee Miller abstained. Trustee Murphy was absent. The motion passed.

12. Adjournment: V. Vandiver moved the Board adjourn the meeting. J. Miller seconded the motion. In a voice vote Supervisor Kuper and Trustees Stutesman, Vandiver, and Miller voted aye. Trustee Murphy was absent. The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Johansen

Clerk

