

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the
New Lenox Township Board
1100 S. Cedar Rd., New Lenox IL, 60451
Thursday June 14, 2018**

I. Call to Order

Supervisor Hickey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Supervisor Hickey asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Roll Call

Clerk Smith called the roll present were: Trustee Boban, Trustee Kaupas, Trustee Wennlund, and Supervisor Hickey.

Trustee Hilton joined the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Elected and appointed officials present: Attorney Wennlund and Highway Commissioner Sly

III. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Trustee Wennlund; seconded by Trustee Kaupas to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of May 10, 2018 as presented; no further discussion; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried.

IV. Special Guest/Public Comments

Supervisor Hickey asked if there were any comments from the public; Residents Wanda Jones and Kathy Hassel from the Guy Sell Senior Building shared with the board, they are very concerned with the pond at the senior building specifically the cattails. They have concerns about it being a breeding ground for mosquitos. Supervisor Hickey stated he is aware of their concerns and is currently working on it. Discussion ensued. The guest also inquired about an aerator for the water; Supervisor Hickey said that should be in place.

Trustee Hilton entered the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

V. Board Issues

a. Approval of Wheel Chair Van

Supervisor Hickey stated the bid opening was held on Friday June 08, 2018 at 7:45 a.m.

Three bids were received. With the lowest bid being \$35,585 from Mobility Works. The other bids were from Midwest Transit at \$38,500 and Southern Bus & Mobility \$39,289.

A motion was made by Trustee Wennlund and seconded by Trustee Hilton to accept the low bidder Mobility Works in the amount of \$35,585 for the purchase of the Wheel Chair Van; on a roll call vote; Trustee Boban aye, Trustee Kaupas aye, Trustee Wennlund aye, Trustee Hilton aye and Supervisor Hickey aye, all in favor; none opposed; motion carried.

b. Approval of Office Remodel and Repairs

Supervisor Hickey put this item on the agenda in hopes of having bids in; he has received none; he is anxiously waiting for the bids to come in; he will bring it back or call for a special meeting to approve bids if they come in soon or wait till July's meeting depending on when

he receives them. He realizes it's not that big of a job for contractors and it's the busy season. Supervisor Hickey would like to see this project started.

c. Township Prevailing Wage Ordinance #2018-03

Clerk Smith prepared the Ordinance and attached the current wages available from the Illinois Department of Labor.

A motion was made by Trustee Boban and seconded by Trustee Wennlund to adopt the 2018-03 Prevailing Wage Ordinance; on a roll call vote; Trustee Boban aye, Trustee Kaupas aye, Trustee Wennlund aye, Trustee Hilton aye and Supervisor Hickey aye, all in favor; none opposed; motion carried.

VI. Report from Township Officials

A. Supervisor

1. Supervisor Hickey

a) Had a visit today from the people with Alden from the senior housing across the street. They are going to be opening the 1st of July, their office is going to be opening next week. Supervisor Hickey said he was under the impression that it was going to be predominantly low income, from the conversation he learned that was not true. Currently only 3 are at low rate, 8 are at transition rate and the rest are \$1 under what we charge at the Guy Sell Building. He also stated that the size of their Apartments are significantly smaller compared to our Apartments. He will be reviewing our wait list and update it after they are operational.

b) He was contacted again by the Energy Aggregation people. They would like to see the Township participate again. He said would bring it to the board; to see if there is any interest in participating again. Discussion ensued: general direction was not to go forward with it.

c) Guy Sell Sign needs repair, Supervisor Hickey stated he received a price of \$1500 to use the same post, \$3200 for a new sign. He was hoping to find someone who needed community service. This is more than what he expected so he believes it would be best to do it in house.

d) A few months back, Supervisor Hickey and Highway Commissioner Sly spoke with Project Green an Energy Replacement Lighting Company, this group is also working with the Historical Society on The Old Methodist Church. Project Green assessed our lighting. The lighting in the board room has recently been updated, but not in the existing offices. The ones we replaced in the board room were forty years old fluorescent fixtures. The ones at the Senior Building are more current, but not the latest thing. Senior housing building we can buy the better tubes and have maintenance put them in. The outside fixtures on the Township Building, and poles, plus the ones in the hallways at the Senior Building that are on all night, he believes there would be long term savings to replace those with cost saving efficient updated ones. Originally the price was quoted at \$18,000 fee for changing the stuff at the senior housing, now the new quote for the common area at the senior building and the outside lighting at township is at \$17,282 Project Green would get the rebate money, so basically labor and cost of fixture they would be getting back in rebates. Discussion ensued. Trustee Boban agreed to meet with Supervisor Hickey to further consider the lighting. Supervisor Hickey will bring this back to the board.

e) Informational purpose, the mall Van had air conditioning work done to the unit, the bill was \$1200 now it's back in the shop again. This may be an item that we might need to consider for next year is to replace this Van as its getting old.

B. Trustee Reports

1. Trustee Boban
 - a) Trustee Boban reported; On May 5th, Recycle Day the actual count for tires ended up being 114, we are paying to have them removed. Next year will be an 8:00 a.m. start time. Our guys did a great job.
 - b) Electronics Collection is holding steady with approximately 100 cars using it.
 - c) Mosquito Abatement Update, Trustee Boban spoke with the Village larvicide has been applied to all the retention ponds in the Township, first spraying took place last week. The next spraying is scheduled for the last week in June.
 - d) Trustee Boban is continuing to add items to the informational guidelines outline. "safe work practices for Township employees".
2. Trustee Kaupas no report.
3. Trustee Wennlund reported the cemeteries look beautiful, they are so well maintained he has no complaints at all. He drives by them daily and is very satisfied with how they look. Trustee Wennlund received no complaints on anyone not getting the Newsletter.
4. Trustee Hilton reported that we had almost 800 rides this month and still growing. She also stated that Debbie asked her to convey her gratitude and thanks to the board for their new van they really need it and are very anxious to get it and that it will be pretty much go straight into service as soon as they get it. Trustee Hilton also thanked Walley who helped with the shred event, he was invaluable. The Township was a great partner with the event it was very successful over 100 cars in just two hours.

C. Clerk Smith no report

D. Highway Commissioner reported there was blowout at Old Hickory and they fixed that today. He also reported they replaced a second garage door, the old one was pretty much water logged.

E. Assessor report Supervisor Hickey stated that Assessor Hernandez couldn't make the meeting but wanted to portray to the board that her Chief Deputy Pam Parde will be retiring next Friday. Trustee Wennlund said she has been a figure here at the Township for a long time, has done a great job and will be missed. The board wished her well in retirement.

VII. Report from Attorney Nothing to report

VII. Approval of Bills

A motion was made by Trustee Wennlund, seconded by Trustee Kaupas, to accept and pay all bills and late bills as presented. on a roll call vote; Trustee Boban aye, Trustee Kaupas aye, Trustee

Wennlund aye, Trustee Hilton aye and Supervisor Hickey aye, all in favor; none opposed; motion carried.

VIII. Other Business

No other business was brought forward.

X. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before this Board, Supervisor Hickey asked for a motion to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Wennlund, seconded by Trustee Kaupas. All in favor; none opposed; motion carried. Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Clerk Sue L. Smith