

STATE OF ILLINOIS

Laurel Lunt Prussing, Chair

CUNNINGHAM TOWNSHIP

Phyllis D. Clark, Town Clerk

**CUNNINGHAM TOWNSHIP BOARD
Tuesday, September 8, 2015**

The Cunningham Township Board met in Regular session Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building, 400 S. Vine Street, Urbana, Illinois.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT:

- Chair:** Laurel Lunt Prussing
- Trustees:** Aaron Ammons; Bill Brown; Eric Jakobsson; Michael P. Madigan; Diane Marlin; Dennis Roberts; Charles Smyth
- Town Clerk:** Phyllis Clark
- Supervisor:** Michelle Mayol
- Assessor:** Absent

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE:

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: Township Assessor Dan Stebbins

OTHERS PRESENT: Fred Grosser, Members of the Media

A. ROLL CALL

Chair Prussing called the meeting of the Cunningham Township Board to order at 7:01 p.m.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Trustee Aaron Ammons made a motion to approve minutes from August 3, 2015. Trustee Eric Jakobsson seconded. Township Supervisor Michelle Mayol made some corrections to the minutes under "petitions and communications". "The second paragraph should read" Trustee Jakobsson asked that the Assessor Dan Stebbins (who was not present) to prepare a county assessment briefing update. After corrections, motion carried by voice vote.

C. COMMITTEE TO VERIFY BILLS

The following items were presented in omnibus fashion:

1. Town Fund
2. General Assistance Fund

Trustee Dennis Roberts made a motion to approve the Town Fund in the amount of \$66,782.13 General Assistance Fund in the amount of \$16,294.66. Trustee Diane Marlin seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

D. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

There were none.

E. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

There was none.

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Resolution No. T-2015-09-003R:** Resolution Authorizing Request to Intervene in Formal Hearing with the Champaign County Board of Review

Assessor Dan Stebbins was not present for this item. Trustee Madigan suggested holding this item to the next meeting due to his absence. Discussion ensued.

Cunningham Town Board Attorney Fred Grosser addressed some of the questions from trustees. After debate there was a request for two separate motions in order to provide clarity. The first one was to approve Resolution No. T-2015-09-003R; The second was to request the presence of the Cunningham Township Assessor Dan Stebbins to attend the meetings.

Trustee Eric Jakobsson made a motion to approve Resolution No. T-2015-09-003R as presented. Trustee Charles Smyth seconded. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Ammons - Aye	Marlin - Aye
Brown - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Jakobsson - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Madigan - Nay	

Disposition: Resolution No. T-2015-09-003R was approved by roll call vote (6-Ayes; 1-Nay)

Trustee Eric Jakobsson made a motion to require the presence of the Assessor Dan Stebbins to attend the meetings. Trustee Charles Smyth seconded. Motion carried by roll vote.

Ammons - Aye	Marlin - Aye
Brown - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Jakobsson - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Madigan - Aye	

Disposition: Motion to require the attendance of Cunningham Township Assessor Dan Stebbins was approved by roll call vote (7-Ayes; 0-Nays)

2. **Resolution No. T-2015-09-004R:** Resolution Authorizing Certain Individuals to Sign Checks for Cunningham Township

Township Supervisor Michelle Mayol presented Resolution No. T-2015-09-004R with recommendation for approval. Discussion ensued.

After presentation Trustee Charles Smyth made a motion to approve Resolution No. T-2015-09-004R as presented. Trustee Eric Jakobsson seconded. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Ammons - Aye
Brown - Aye
Jakobsson - Aye
Madigan - Aye

Marlin - Aye
Roberts - Aye
Smyth - Aye

Disposition: Resolution No. T-2015-09-004R was approved by roll call vote (7-Ayes; 0-Nays)

3. Fiscal Year 2015 Audit/Financial Statement Presentation by John Knoblett from Kemper CPA Group L.L.P.

Mr. Knoblett completed the audit and found all records to be in order as previous years. He gave a brief report regarding the finances and the changes to the audit compare to previous years.

Mr. Knoblett explained that the only two reasons he found on record for the changes are: The Affordable Care Act and Re-evaluation on current client applications in order to be in compliance with the law requirements. Discussion ensued.

After presentation and debate Trustee Charles Smyth made a motion to approve the audit as presented. Trustee Diane Marlin seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

4. **Closed and Open Session to Consider**

Township Attorney Frederic M. Grosser stated that there is no need to go into closed session at this time. Mr. Grosser gave an update that all Appellate Court arguments have been scheduled to be heard on October 22, 2015, and that the Court will provide a written decision within 60 days after the October 22, 2015 hearing. Mr. Grosser also provided an overview of the issues being decided.

H. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Cunningham Town Board, Chair Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Wendy M. Hundley
Recording Secretary

Phyllis D. Clark
Town Clerk

This meeting was taped.

This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: October 5, 2015