

Minutes - Board of Town Trustees

STATE OF ILLINOIS,
WILL County
Town of New Lenox

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ss. SPECIAL MEETING

THE BOARD OF TOWN TRUSTEES met at the office of the Town Clerk at 1100 South Cedar Road on September 27, 2012.

PRESENT:	William McCollum	Supervisor
	Annette Boyd	Clerk
	Trustee Hickey	Trustee
	Martin Boban	Trustee
	Barbara Kaupas	Trustee
	Larry Wennlund	Trustee

The following official business was transacted:

I. CALL TO ORDER

The New Lenox Town Board of Trustees Special Meeting was called to order on September 27, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor McCollum.

II. ROLL CALL

Also present:

Bonnie Hernandez, Township Assessor
Attorney Cass Wennlund, Wennlund and Associates

III. BOARD ISSUES – ACTIONS

A. 2012-2013 Employee Medical Benefits Package Renewal

Supervisor McCollum reported that he, Trustee Hickey and Highway Commissioner McPartlin met on Tuesday to discuss the options available.

Trustee Hickey reported several employees at the Highway Department were not happy with the Humana option offered. The Township went back to Blue Cross Blue Shield and requested pricing options, where the deductible was increased in order to reduce the premium cost.

Trustee Hickey commented to split the Highway Department and the Township at this late date would be too difficult and may be an option to be investigated in the future.

A copy of the various plans was distributed to everyone to review, with comparisons of the current plans versus the proposals.

Trustee Hickey explained the various plans, and the varying rates of increase. Of most concern, the HSA renewal would have had an increase of 14.5%. Trustee Hickey commented that the insurance industry is pricing itself out of the Township's ability to pay for it. Trustee Hickey also noted that the Township's coverage should be compatible to the Highway Department's coverage.

The Board had a general discussion of how the new Affordable Care Act law, compliance and other factors impact the costs of insurance coverage offered to employees.

Trustee Hickey recommended that the Township go with Proposal A offered by Blue Cross Blue Shield.

Motion by Trustee Hickey, seconded by Trustee Kaupas, to adopt Plan A proposal from Blue Cross Blue Shield for the Employee Health plan. No further discussion; Trustee Hickey, Trustee Boban, Trustee Kaupas, Trustee Wennlund and Supervisor McCollum in favor; none opposed; motion carried.

B. Aggregation Program Agreement with Integrys Energy Services Inc.

Attorney Wennlund reported after the meeting with Mr. Nania, of Integrys Energy Services, and they made the proposed changes that the Township asked for. It is a "no dollar" contract. The costs associated with the election services is approximately \$2.00/household, one time.

Supervisor McCollum noted that the Village has a rate of 5.89 cents, and the Township may be able to offer a rate estimated to be approximately 4.86 cents at this time.

Attorney Wennlund commented that the Township won't be spending any money, and it's a onetime billing cycle for Integrys to recover the election costs.

Motion by Trustee Kaupas, seconded by Trustee Hickey, to accept the proposed Aggregation Program Agreement with Integrys Energy Services Inc. as presented. No further discussion; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

Supervisor McCollum informed the Board that he had requested data from ComEd and the Township will have a public meeting, one meeting 2 weeks after the Regular Board meeting, to explain everything to people and be available to answer questions.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Hickey, seconded by Trustee Kaupas, to adjourn the meeting at 7:23p.m. No further discussion; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried.

Respectively submitted,

Annette Boyd
Town Clerk