STATE OF ILLINOIS

CUNNINGHAM TOWNSHIP

Laurel Lunt Prussing, Chair

Phyllis D. Clark, Town Clerk

CUNNINGHAM TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MARCH 4, 2013

The Cunningham Township Board met in regular session Monday, March 4, 2013 in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building, 400 S. Vine Street, Urbana, Illinois.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT:

Chair: Laurel Lunt Prussing, Chair Trustees: Brandon Bowersox-Johnson Eric Jakobsson Robert E. Lewis Diane W. Marlin Dennis Roberts Charlie Smyth Heather Stevenson [7:08 p.m.] Town Clerk: Phyllis D. Clark Supervisor: Carol Elliott Assessor: Daniel Stebbins

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE: None

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: None

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

February 4, 2013 - Trustee Lewis made a motion to approve the minutes of meeting held February 4, 2013. Trustee Roberts seconded.

C. COMMITTEE TO VERIFY BILLS

The following items were presented in omnibus fashion:

- 1. Town Fund
- 2. General Assistance Fund

Supervisor Elliott presented the staff report.

Trustee Roberts made a motion to approve the Town Fund in the amount of 43,616.74 and the General Assistance Fund in the amount of \$62,668.18. Trustee Marlin seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

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D. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Supervisor Elliott informed the Board that she would have a draft tentative budget to present at the next meeting. She also informed them that next year clients will be able to start enrolling in Obamacare for Medicaid.

E. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion of Consolidated Social Service Funding Allocations

Supervisor Elliott informed the Board that she had this item placed on the agenda to follow-up on discussion by the City Council last week. She distributed a memo to the City Council requesting that they take into consideration the needs of General Assistance clients when allocating funds to be paid from the Township Budget. Supervisor Elliott clarified how the General Assistance Fund works, explaining that when someone is approved for General Assistance and able to work they are assigned to a work site. Currently, the Township is low on work sites and high on clients. Supervisor Elliott concluded by suggesting that in the future, when requesting for proposals, pay an agency to see clients to assess them on job readiness, and mental health and crisis issues some of them may be facing, and then provide counseling or referrals.

Trustee Smyth suggested providing this information to incoming (newly elected) City Council members.

This item did not warrant Board action.

H. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Cunningham Township Board, Chair Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Deborah J. Roberts Recording Secretary

Phyllis D. Clark Town Clerk

This meeting was taped. This meeting was broadcast on cable television.