

EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

GRAFTON TOWNSHIP BOARD

Monday September 19, 2016

The Executive Session of the Grafton Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Kearns at 7:40 P.M.

Present: Supervisor Kearns, Trustees Holtorf, Wagner, Ziller, Zirk; Deputy Clerk Prince

Absent: Clerk Hurley

PURPOSE

To discuss pending litigation and personnel issues involving Township pursuant to 5ILCS 120 / 2(c)(11)

DISCUSSION

Trustee Wagner called Attorney Gottemoller and explains that Trustee Ziller has some questions for him:

1. Is the Road Commissioner allowed to make purchases over \$20,000 without going to bid, and without prior board approval?
2. Trustee Ziller also asked if the board can make a resolution to keep the Road Commissioner from purchasing new equipment without the board's prior approval.

Attorney Gottemoller advised the board that the time to get control of his spending would be when the township budget is being set. If the Road Commissioner has funds in his budget for equipment he can make purchases at his discretion. He also asked if the company that the equipment was purchased from was a company that does prior state bidding. The equipment that was purchased was a new wood chipper, and a new asphalt hotbox. Trustee Ziller wants to pass a resolution restricting the Road Commissioner's ability to make purchases without the board's prior approval. Attorney Gottemoller asked if this is on the agenda for tonight's meeting, it is not. He advised again that the way to control the spending is to adjust the budget line item next year.

Supervisor Kearns asks Attorney Gottemoller questions regarding revisiting elected officials salaries.

1. Is the board allowed to reopen salary discussions since we are still within the 180 days?

Attorney Gottemoller advised that as long as revisiting elected officials salaries was on the September meeting agenda, it could be revisited. He also said that they were still within the 180 day deadline, and the board can make changes.

The phone call to Attorney Gottemoller was ended at 7:46 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Trustee Wagner, and seconded by Trustee Zirk to adjourn the Executive Session at 7:48 P.M.

AYES: Trustees Wagner, Zirk, Ziller, Holtorf, Supervisor Kearns

NAYS: None

Motion Passed.

Submitted,

Candie Prince

Grafton Township Deputy Clerk