

**GRAFTON TOWNSHIP
SPECIAL MEETING
May 26, 2009
7:30 pm**

1. Call Special Meeting to Order

Supervisor Moore called the meeting to order at 7:34 pm and reminded the Trustees that they were limited to what was placed on the agenda. Supervisor Moore inquired as to any public comments. Supervisor Moore asked the Trustees if Public Comments could be taken in order to give Trustee Murphy time to arrive. Those present agree. There were no public comments.

2. Roll Call

Clerk Frigo conducted a roll call. Present were as follows: Supervisor Moore, Trustees LaPorta, McMahan and Zirk, Clerk Frigo. The record shall reflect that Trustee Murphy arrived at 7:36 pm.

3. Executive Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1) with respect to the appointment of legal counsel for the Township (if necessary).

Supervisor Moore inquired to the Trustees as to the discussions and appointment of legal counsel either in open or closed session.

Closed: Trustees McMahan and Murphy.

Open: Supervisor Moore, Trustees Zirk and LaPorta.

There was no Executive Session with regard to the aforementioned.

4. Appointment and vote on general corporate counsel for the Township

The following attorneys addressed Supervisor Moore and the Board of Trustees:

Ryan Farrell of Zukowski, Rogers, Flood & McArdle. Mr. Farrell submitted his proposal to all. Trustee Zirk inquired about his representation with respect to Lake in the Hills and Lakewood. Mr. Farrell affirmed. Trustee LaPorta inquired about the sale of land with respect to Grafton Township and possible conflict with pending litigation.

Mr. Farrell gave a brief summary of his and the firm's background and experience in representing Townships.

Robert J. Wagner, Attorney at Law. Mr. Wagner tendered his resume' to all. He explained his background and qualifications.

James P. Kelly of Matuszewich, Kelly & McKeever. Mr. Kelly tendered his proposal. He explained his and the firm's background and qualifications.

Supervisor Moore asked the Trustees for public comment. Trustee Zirk objected to any public participation not on the agenda.

The record shall reflect that Supervisor Moore tendered a "list of duties of Trustees" to each Trustee and read from the aforementioned document.

Supervisor Moore made a motion to appoint Flood, Zukowski & Rogers as general corporate counsel for the Township based on experience, reputation, broad experience, high opinion and trusted recommendations. She also stated that this Township needs to take different direction and it is time for change.

A discussion was held concerning the motion to retain Flood, Zukowski & Rogers.

Supervisor Moore	Yes
Trustee McMahon	No
Trustee LaPorta	No
Trustee Zirk	No
Trustee Murphy	Abstain

Motion failed.

Supervisor Moore asked for public comments seeing the urgent nature of a public member wishing to speak. She asked the Trustees if they would allow the person to speak. Trustee Zirk stated that public comments are not contained on the agenda.

A discussion was held concerning Jim Kelly's qualifications.

Trustee LaPorta made a motion to hire James Kelly to continue representing the Township in current litigation.

Motion made: Trustee LaPorta
Second to motion: Trustee Zirk

Roll vote:

Trustee McMahon	Yes
Trustee Zirk	Yes
Trustee Murphy	Yes
Trustee LaPorta	Yes
Supervisor Moore	Abstain and stated illegal action, by law only the Township Supervisor can appt. Twnshp. Atty.

Motion passed.

Supervisor Moore moved to adjourn the meeting.

Motion made: Supervisor Moore
Second to motion: Trustee Murphy
All ayes-unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Dina M. Frigo
Township Clerk