

# UP FRONT



Newsletter from John A. Cunningham, Kane County Clerk

## ELECTRONIC ECONOMIC INTEREST STATEMENT FILING

### A SUCCESS!

In 2012, the Kane County Clerk's Office partnered with the Kane County Information Technologies department, to implement our own online filing system for the Statement of Economic Interests. In January 2013, the system was implemented and the units filed their list of filers online in the new system. In March 2013 the filers were notified via email to file their statement online by the May 1 deadline. The filing year was a success, with the majority filing online, and about 350 paper filers notified via regular mail.

In the 2014 filing year, the units again filed their lists via the online system. This year there were just over 100 paper statements that had to be sent first class mail, the rest of the filers were all notified via email and were able to file their statements online. As we bring the 2014 filing year to a close, a total of 2,854 notifications were sent out and feedback has been very positive.

While filing online is a convenience for many, Kane County Clerk, John Cunningham ensures that paper statements will be available for those that do not have access to a computer, or if you simply want that paper statement in hand, the County Clerk's Office has forms available in our office, or are accessible through the Kane County Clerk's election website: [www.kanecountyelections.org](http://www.kanecountyelections.org) A public portal is available for the viewing of Statements of Economic Interests. Once the 2014 filing year closes, those documents will also be viewable through this service. You can access the public portal at [www.kanecountyclerk.org](http://www.kanecountyclerk.org) click on Economic Interest Statement and you will be directed to the online site. As always, we appreciate your feedback.

## **What does a Taxing District in Kane County have to file with the Kane County Clerk's office.**

After a district budget passes, an original certified copy must be filed with the Kane County Clerk's office within 30 days of passage. It must be accompanied with a Certificate of Budget and a Certificate of Estimated Revenues.

The annual audit and financial report must be filed at the Kane County Clerk's office.

If your district requires a Treasurer's report be filed, it must be filed prior to the Kane County Treasurer's first distribution. If it is not filed funds could be withheld from distribution.

On or before the last Tuesday of December each year, districts must file an original certified copy of their tax levies. Accompanying the levy must be a Certificate of Levy and Truth in Taxation Certificate; both certified by the municipality's seal or notarized.

All new bonds must be filed with the Clerk's office on or before March 1<sup>st</sup> of the calendar year during which the taxes will be collected. Abatements to bonds must be filed on or before March 10<sup>th</sup> of the calendar year during which the taxes will be collected.

## **What taxing districts need to file when Annexing a parcel, Disconnecting a parcel, Organizing a taxing district and/or Dissolving a taxing district**

Once an ordinance is passed to annex or disconnect a parcel or to organize or dissolve a unit of government, there are two procedures to be done. First, the ordinance must be recorded with the Kane County Recorder. Second, an original ordinance has to be filed with the Kane County Clerk's office. Accompanying the ordinance must be two legible maps. An example of the legal description, locator map and labelled map showing the affected taxing district is on the following page. It is very important that the legal description is correct.

By law, the ordinance organizing a TIF district does not have to be recorded, but the Clerk's office asks that districts record the ordinances because the recorder's office is where every parcel change begins.

### **SENIOR CITIZEN EXEMPTION**

If you or your spouse turned 65 in 2013 and you did not get the Senior Citizen exemption on your real estate bill, contact the Supervisor of Assessments office at 630/208-3818.



**Legal description**

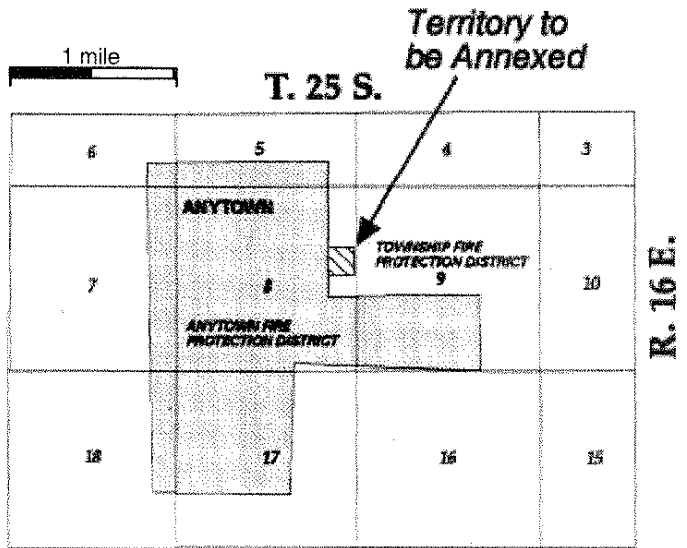
Whereas, there has been filed with the village council of the village of Anytown, Illinois, a written petition of Sunnyside Subdivision under oath, requesting annexation to said village and detachment from the Township Fire Protection District, of the following described property, to-wit:

Part of the southeast quarter of the north-east quarter of Section 8, Township 25 south, Range 16 east of the Third Principal Meridian, Some County, Illinois, more particularly described as follows:

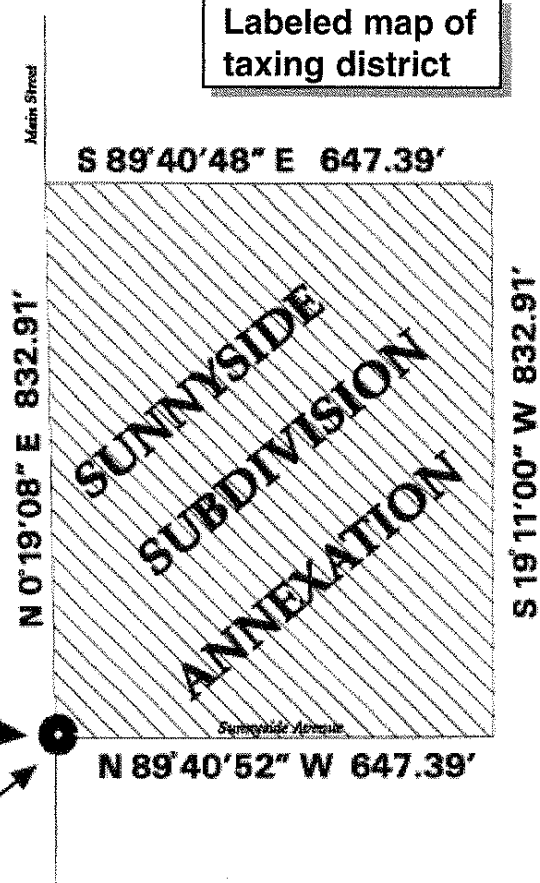
Commencing at the northeast corner of the northeast quarter of Section 8, Township 25 south, Range 16 east of the Third Principal Meridian, thence southerly along the east line of Section 8 for a distance of 2481.60 feet; thence westerly along south line of the northern half of Section 8 for a distance of 792.50 feet, to the point of beginning located at the southwest corner of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 8, Township 25 south, Range 16 east of the Third Principal Meridian; thence along a line N 0°19'08" E a distance of 832.91 feet; thence along a line S 89°40'48" E a distance of 647.39 feet; thence along a line S 19°11'00" W a distance of 832.91 feet; thence along a line N 89°40'52" W a distance of 647.39 feet back to the point of beginning for a total of 12.37 acres all being in Some County, Illinois.



**Locator map**



**Labeled map of taxing district**



**P.O.B.**

southwest corner of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 8, Township 25 S, Range 16 E

# ELECTION CENTRAL

GENERAL ELECTION - NOVEMBER 4, 2014

## News From the 2014 General Primary:

The Kane County Clerk's Elections Department continues to work towards the November Gubernatorial Election. The March 2014 Primary was successful from an operational perspective. It generated 17% voter turnout. The March election was the focus of a significant recount effort involving the race for the Republican nomination for 16<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Judge. In that race, D.J. Tegeler won by 7 votes over Marmarie Kostelny. The close race prompted Kostelny to request a recount of 25% of the precincts including 16 precincts from Kane County and 2 precincts from the Aurora Election Commission. After recounting approximately 5,800 ballots, the results and Election Day count was confirmed. The entire recount process was a weeklong effort involving election judges, candidates, staff, and management. The process of counting early votes, absentee votes, and Election Day votes was commended by attendees for being open and transparent.

## BE PREPARED! REGISTER TO VOTE

A person can register to vote by mail or in person. You must provide 2 acceptable forms of ID when registering. Registering by mail requires the completion of the mail in registration form provided on the Kane County Clerk's web page and two acceptable forms of ID.

Information on Acceptable forms of ID's (Public Act 83-0258) can be found on our website, [www.kanecountyelections.org](http://www.kanecountyelections.org)

To be eligible to vote you must be a US citizen, **18 years old** by the next election, and have resided in the precinct for **30 days** prior to the next election.

Voters who have changed their name since registering to vote must re-register to vote. **Grace Period** registration is for persons who missed the deadline to register to vote. During Grace Period registration you may register to vote at the Kane County Clerk's office from the 27th day through the 3rd day prior to the election. If you register to vote during grace period and want to vote in the upcoming election, you **MUST** vote at the time of registration.

## 2014 GENERAL ELECTION

TUE, NOV 4, 2014

## LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE

TUE, OCT 7, 2014

## GRACE PERIOD REGISTRATION

WED, OCT 8, 2014 -  
SAT, NOV 1, 2014

## ABSENTEE VOTING PERIOD

THU, SEP 25, 2014 -  
MON, NOV 3, 2014

## EARLY VOTING PERIOD

MON, OCT 20, 2014 -  
SAT, NOV 1, 2014

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE  
NOVEMBER 4TH ELECTION,  
PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE,  
[WWW.KANECOUNTYELECTIONS.ORG](http://WWW.KANECOUNTYELECTIONS.ORG)

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