

# MINUTES TOWNSHIP BOARD DEKALB, ILLINOIS February 10, 2021

Due to the Governor's order restricting gathering of people and in an effort to restrict the spread of COVID-19, the Township has scheduled this board meeting using Zoom.

For computer or telephonic participation, electors and town elected officials and the public were encouraged to participate via a teleconference meeting using Zoom which was posted on the DeKalb Township website and on the agenda which was posted more than 48 hours prior to this meeting.

# The link provided was:

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The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by Supervisor Teboda on the Zoom platform. Roll call was taken by Clerk Flavin: Supervisor Teboda-Present, Highway Commissioner Smith-Absent, Assessor Dyer-Absent, Trustee Hess-Present, Trustee King-Present, Trustee McNett-Present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

### **Town Hall (Public Comments):**

No public attendees or comments.

#### **Presentations**

None.

### Reports:

#### Supervisor Teboda:

Many activities were tabled this month due to Supervisor Teboda being off the radar with family issues.

Supervisor Teboda presented a letter to the board increasing her compensation due to the additional demands of her time. She also stated she still is not taking the full compensation



or any of the benefits as she agreed to in August 2020. For the record, it is hereby documented that even though her salary is being increased, she is still saving the township about \$60,000 a year.

We are moving forward with resolution of all the issues we have had with Blue Cross Blue Shield Insurance.

We had a technology meeting mid-January regarding upgrades to phone system and technology upgrades to Board Room to continue with hybrid meetings for the public. Supervisor Teboda is hopeful the board room will be set up with new technology for March's meeting. We are also exploring changing internet providers to MetroNet which will be less expensive and hopefully more reliable than Comcast that we currently have.

We all know the outcome of the hearing on 1-28-2021.

On February 2, 2021, Supervisor Teboda met with Jodie Peterson to review past fiscal year budgets and streamlining the budgets for 2022 and onward. Other elected officials are also working on their budgets, and Supervisor Teboda hopes they will all be ready to present at the March 10, 2021 meeting. If the budgets are not ready by the March 10, 2021 meeting, a Special Town Meeting would be required to discuss and approve the budget.

We have 1 current FOIA request and our FOIA officer, Karen Gumino, will be on vacation. So, for any requests that come in during the time she is gone, we will have to respond within 5 days and Township Attorney Brad Stewart has been involved in getting things in order for her absence. Karen is currently waiting for documents for the current request and will respond to the requester on February 18, 2021 when she returns which is within the 5 days plus 5-day extension since there are 2 township holidays during the time she is gone.

The JRB letter will be submitted for the second quarter once it is put on letterhead.

At the March 2021 board meeting, there will be a proposed resolution to continue our support of 211 at the \$1000 level as we have done in the past.

The Resource Bank presentation has been postponed until the April 2021 Board Meeting to line up with the expected transition of officers from the election.

Our credit card company put a lock on our account because the December payment was not received, but this has been resolved.

Supervisor Teboda shared a thank you letter from U.S. Census bureau.



**Trustee King:** Trustee King apologized for missing the JRB meeting due to other work commitments. NIU will be closed 2/11/2021 and 3/12/2021 for administrative days.

**Clerk Flavin:** Clerk Flavin thanked Supervisor Teboda, Karen Gumino, and Brad Stewart for all the work with the hearing. The ballot has been approved with the Barb City Party on the ballot, and there is also a line for write-in candidates for Supervisor.

Highway Commissioner Smith: Absent.

Assessor Dyer: Absent.

Trustee McNett: Nothing to report.

**Trustee Hess:** This weekend Trustee Hess contacted 211 to see how DeKalb Township is listed with area agencies, and we are listed under rent/housing with 2 other organizations on 211. Otherwise, nothing to report.

# **Bill Paying:**

A motion to approve the January Audit Report and February Bills to Pay was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Hess. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Teboda: Aye; Trustee King: Aye; Trustee McNett: Aye; and Trustee Hess: Aye. Motion passed.

A motion to receive, file, and approve the January Treasurer's Budget Report was made by Supervisor Teboda and seconded by Trustee McNett. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Hess: Aye; Trustee King: Aye; Trustee McNett: Aye; Supervisor Teboda: Aye. Motion passed.

Unfinished Business: None.

#### **New Business:**

- A. A motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from January 13, 2021 was made by Trustee McNett and seconded by Trustee Hess. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee King: Aye; Trustee McNett: Aye; Supervisor Teboda: Aye; Trustee Hess: Aye; Minutes are approved.
- B. A motion to approve the special meeting minutes from January 21, 2021 was made by Trustee King and seconded by Supervisor Teboda. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee McNett: Aye; Supervisor Teboda: Aye; Trustee Hess: Aye; Trustee King: Aye. Minutes are approved.

Old Business: None

**Other Business:** Next meeting Wednesday March 10, 2021 at 6:00 PM. Supervisor Teboda anticipates doing a hybrid meeting again.



**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee McNett. Roll call vote: Supervisor Teboda: Aye; Trustee Hess: Aye; Trustee King: Aye; Trustee McNett: Aye; Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:38 pm

Respectfully submitted, Kevin Flavin, Township Clerk

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Nancy Teboda, Township Supervisor

