

## Special Meeting of the DeKalb Township Board Thursday, January 21, 2021 at 6:00 PM 2323 South Fourth Street DeKalb, Illinois 60115

Due to the Governor's order restricting gatherings of people, and in an effort to minimize the potential spread of COVID-19, the Township reserves the right to reconvene the meeting if all attendees cannot be safely distanced. The Township encourages anyone who wishes to address the Township Board to submit a written statement to be read aloud at the meeting. Please submit such a written statement to Township Supervisor Nancy Teboda by email to nteboda@dekalbtownship.org or otherwise by mail or hand delivery to the address above.

- I. Call to Order Roll Call
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Public Comments
- IV. New Business
  - A. Motion to accept the resignation of Geralynne Kunde as Township Clerk
  - B. Motion to accept the resignation of Kevin Flavin as Township Trustee
  - C. Motion to approve the Warrant appointing Kevin Flavin as Township Clerk
- V. Adjournment

## January 13th, 2021

To:

The DeKalb Township Board Supervisor Teboda, Trustee Flavin, **Trustee Hess Trustee King** Trustee McNett,

**Highway Commissioner Smith** 

Assessor Dyer

On Monday, January 4th, 2021 I verified that the Statement of Economic Interest Receipt was omitted from the petition packet filed by Mr. Jim Luebke, to run for the position of Township Supervisor. On Wednesday, January 8th, 2021 I decided to go ahead and certify Mr. Luebke for the April 6th, 2021 Consolidated Election, in lieu of the missing paperwork and based on information I have previously obtained from the Illinois State Board of Elections and that Mr. Luebke did file his Statement of Economic Interest, as Candidate, with the DeKalb County Clerk's Office on December 16th, 2020. On the same day Supervisor Teboda and I conducted a telephone conversation, related to other matters, and I informed her of my decision regarding Mr. Luebke.

On Friday, January 8th, 2021 I was informed that the Barb City United Party was looking into filing a lawsuit against me, and subsequently against the Township, if I certified Mr. Luebke for the April 6th Election. This forced me to contact Brad Stewart, Attorney for the Township, to discover what options may be available to me. After a couple of conversations Mr. Stewart informed me that indeed, according to case law, a missing Statement of Economic Interest, from a petition packet, is reason to deem a petition invalid. Mr. Stewart advised me to invalidate the petition packet and not certify Mr. Luebke for the ballot.

Sometimes the law forces us to make decisions that we, nor the public agree with; this happens to be one of those occurrences for me. I feel this decision should be left to the voters of DeKalb Township and not solely with the clerk or individuals threatening a lawsuit. With recent social media posts related to the Township and board and with the current political climate that has unfolded across our country, I do not feel comfortable subjecting myself, or my family to public scrutiny and vilification. I, also, do not want the look of further impropriety to be held over DeKalb Township and its elected officials. For these reasons, I am therefore, tendering my resignation as DeKalb Township Clerk and Clerk of the DeKalb Township Road District effective immediately today January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

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Date: January 21, 2021

Subject: Resignation

I Kevin D. Flavin willfully resign my position as DeKalb Township Trustee effective January 21, 2020.

Kevin D. Flavin

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## **DeKalb Township Board**

## WARRANT APPOINTING TOWNSHIP CLERK

WHEREAS, DeKalb Township had a vacancy in the position of Township Clerk due to resignation, which resignation the Township Board accepted on January 21, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has identified one of its Trustees, Kevin Flavin, as the person whom it wishes to appoint to fill the vacancy of Township Clerk; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 50 ILCS 105/2a, no Township Trustee may also hold another Township office without resigning from the position of Trustee; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has accepted the resignation of Trustee Kevin Flavin in anticipation of proceeding with this Warrant of Appointment; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 60 ILCS 1/60-5, the appointment to fill a vacancy of an elected office shall be made by a Warrant documenting that such actions were taken.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THIS WARRANT OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DEKALB, COUNTY OF DEKALB, ILLINOIS:

Kevin Flavin is hereby appointed to fill the vacancy in the position of Township Clerk for the remaining term, as stated in the preamble.

Nays

ADOPTED THIS 21st day of January, 2021

| Trustee [VACANT] Trustee Mary Hess Trustee Lisa King Trustee Chad McNett Supervisor Nancy Teboda |                       |    |       |                |  |
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| By:  |                       | At | test: | á              |  |
| Nancy Teboda, Supervisor   | cy Teboda, Supervisor |    |       | Township Clerk |  |

Aves



Abstain

Absent

I, Kevin Flavin do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Illinois and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Township clerk according to the best of my ability.

Kevin Flavin, Trustee CLERK

Erika Brown, Notary

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Date: 1/21/2021