

# MINUTES TOWNSHIP BOARD DEKALB, ILLINOIS February 9, 2022

## Call To Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Approval of Agenda:

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Hess at 6:00pm at the DeKalb Township Board Room. Roll call was taken by Clerk Tillotson: Supervisor Hess: Present; Trustee Bradlo: Present; Trustee Thurman: Present; Trustee McNett: Present; Trustee King: Present.

Also present were Highway Commissioner Smith and Assessor Dyer.

Caleb Diefenderfer led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

The agenda was confirmed by unanimous consent.

Town Hall (Public Comments): None.

Presentations: Eagle Scout Project at Oakwood Cemetery – Caleb Diefenderfer. Caleb, from Boy Scout Troop 4 in DeKalb, stated that he created a bench and did landscaping for the Township's Oakwood Cemetery. He gave a presentation about the project and thanked the Township for the opportunity that helped him become an Eagle Scout.

### Reports:

## **Supervisor Hess:**

- 1. Website has been updated to include Board documents going back to 2018.
- 2. Google Analytics has been added to website.
- 3. Attorney General OMA Training for newly elected officials.
- 4. Audit quotes are coming in.

# FOIA HOURS REPORT 1/12/2022 - 02/07/2022

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Requester	Company	Company   Date Received	Description	Responded On	Total Documents	Hours Minutes	utes
Mark Charvat		1/11/22 2:02 AM	Board Packet 12-2021 and 1/2022	1/11/22 4:30 PM	2 PDFs	-	0
Adebayo Kuye			Multifamily 2-4 units and Apts 5+ units Address,		2 Spreadsheets	2	45
		1/7/22 2:15 PM		1/11/22 3:07 PM	•		
			Owner Name, and Address				

Total staff hours expended for all FOIA requests during this period: 3 Hours 45 Minutes

Clerk Tillotson: No report.

Highway Commissioner Smith: He stated the air compressor sold for over \$7,000 and the sealer sold for \$500-600. He stated that he will have the Road District Budget available 30 days prior to the Township's annual meeting in April.

Assessor Dyer: No report.

Trustee Thurman: No report.

Trustee King: Trustee King mentioned that it is Black History Month and discussed a free Masterclass for Black History Month that she found very

informative and recommended others watch.

Trustee Bradlo: No report.
Trustee McNett: No report.

### Bill Paying:

A motion to approve the January audit report in the amount of \$146,324.55 and February bills to pay in the amount of \$152,916.63 was made by Trustee Thurman and seconded by Trustee McNett. A discussion on the significance of certain items in the budget ensued. Clerk Tillotson took a roll call vote: Supervisor Hess: aye; Trustee McNett: aye; Trustee Thurman: aye; Trustee King: aye; Trustee Bradlo: aye. Ayes: 5; Nays: 0. The motion passed.

A motion to receive, file, and approve the Treasurer's December budget report was made by Trustee Thurman and seconded by Trustee Bradlo. A discussion on the significance of certain items in the budget ensued. Clerk Tillotson took a roll call vote: Supervisor Hess: aye; Trustee McNett: aye; Trustee Thurman: aye; Trustee King: aye; Trustee Bradlo: aye. Ayes: 5; Nays: 0. The motion passed.

Unfinished Business: None.

### **New Business:**

- A. Discussion and Approval of Expenditure in the Amount of \$15,000 to Salvation Army for Food Insecurity Needs: Rick Garcia from the Salvation Army described how the money would be used to address food insecurity. He answered several of the Township's questions and a discussion about the Salvation Army's work in DeKalb ensued. Trustee Thurman made a motion to approve this expenditure which Trustee King seconded. Clerk Tillotson took a roll call vote: Supervisor Hess: aye; Trustee McNett: aye; Trustee Thurman: aye; Trustee King: aye; Trustee Bradlo: aye. Ayes: 5; Nays: 0. The motion passed.
- B. A motion for the Discussion and Approval of Authorization for Supervisor to Approve and Execute Agreement for Professional Services with Fehr Graham in the amount of \$19,400 for Roadway Improvements at Oakwood Cemetery was made by Trustee McNett and seconded by Supervisor Hess. Supervisor Hess

and Commissioner Smith discussed the various improvements that would be made using this money. Clerk Tillotson took a roll call vote: Supervisor Hess: aye; Trustee McNett: aye; Trustee Thurman: aye; Trustee King: aye; Trustee Bradlo: aye. Ayes: 5; Nays: 0. The motion passed.

C. A motion for the Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees meeting of January 12, 2022 was made by Supervisor Hess and seconded by Trustee King. The notes were passed by unanimous consent.

Executive Session: None.

Other Business: The next Township Meeting will be Wednesday March 9, 2022, 6:00pm at the DeKalb Township Board Room.  $\sim$ 

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee McNett and seconded by Trustee Bradlo. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote and the meeting ended at 7:16pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew "Ondrew" Tillotson, Township Clerk

Mary Hess, Township Supervisor

