

MINUTES TOWNSHIP BOARD DEKALB, ILLINOIS April 12, 2022

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

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

Also present was Assessor Rich Dyer and Commissioner Craig Smith.

Trustee McNett led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The agenda was confirmed by unanimous consent.

Town Hall (Public Comments): None.

Presentations: None.

Hearing Regarding the DeKalb Township Road District and DeKalb Township Budget and Appropriation Ordinances: A Motion to Open the Hearing was made by Trustee Thurman and seconded by Trustee Bradlo. The hearing was then opened by unanimous consent.

Commissioner Smith discussed the Township's Road District Budget and Appropriation Ordinances and Supervisor Hess discussed the Town Budget and Appropriation Ordinances. Assessor Dyer discussed his impact on the Town Budget and Appropriation Ordinances.

With no one from the public present for the hearing to comment, the board proceeded to ask questions and discussed the Budgets and Appropriation Ordinances.

A motion to approve Ordinance 2022-002R DeKalb Township Road District Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Beginning April 1, 2022 and ending March 31, 2023 was made by Trustee McNett and seconded by Trustee Thurman.

Supervisor Hess made a motion to amend the budget which Trustee Bradlo seconded. Clerk Tillotson took a roll call vote: Supervisor Hess: aye; Trustee Thurman: aye; Trustee King: aye; Trustee Bradlo: aye; and Trustee McNett: aye. Ayes: 5; Nays: 0. The amendment passed.

A motion to Approve Ordinance 2022-003T DeKalb Township Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Beginning April 1, 2022 and ending March 31, 2023 as

amended was made by Trustee Bradlo and seconded by Trustee Thurman. Clerk Tillotson took a roll call vote: Supervisor Hess: aye; Trustee Thurman: aye; Trustee King: aye; Trustee Bradlo: aye; and Trustee McNett: aye. Ayes: 5; Nays: 0. The motion passed.

A Motion to Close the Hearing and Adjourn to Regular Board Meeting was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Thurman. The hearing then ended by unanimous consent.

Reports:

Supervisor Hess:

- 1. Newly revised GA/EA information cards available in English and Spanish.
- 2. Employment Services: Danita Sims, Executive Director of Passion Pursuit Inc. has been providing on-site employment services one day a week under a 3-month trial period agreement. Evaluation to be completed in June.
- 3. Statement of Economic Interest please return by April 27th.
 - a. April issue of TOI Perspectives magazine see pages 40 & 41 for detailed information
 - b. TOI is offering a Webinar on this subject on Thursday, April 14th @ 12 PM
- 4. Library update 13 Township residents have signed up for a card through the IGA benefit
- 5. Oakwood Cemetery paving project update
- 6. TOIRMA Dividend issued
- 7. 3/3 & 4 Alliance of Illinois Cemeterians Conference
- 8. 3/15 TOI Workshop in Naperville
- 9. 3/18 GATI Training in Bloomington
- 10. 4/6 TOI Lobby Day in Springfield
- 11. Upcoming Events
 - a. April 20 "Jumpstart Your Career" Employment Event
 - b. May 14 Shred & Recycle Event (seeking volunteers)
 - c. June 3 Lions Vision Screening
 - d. June 17 Mobile Secretary of State
- 12. FOIA No report.

Clerk Tillotson: No report.

Highway Commissioner Smith: Commissioner Smith stated that he and Mary had a successful Lobby Day and got to talk to many politicians. Commissioner Smith discussed updates in how sewage from surrounding towns is soon to be handled by DeKalb.

Assessor Dyer: Assessor Dyer stated that Eric, his field representative, is one step closer to getting his designation. He brought up that tax bills will be out late April or early May.

Trustee Thurman: Trustee Thurman discussed his participation in the 100 Black Men of DeKalb County event. He stated that he and his daughter were going to participate in an entrepreneurial program over the summer for students between the 3rd and 8th grade.

Trustee McNett: No report.

Trustee King: Orientation at NIU will be face to face by next month and the semester will be ending soon. She expressed her concerns with COVID. She brought up Ketanji Brown Jackson's appointment to the Supreme Court and the fact that it is Women's History Month.

Trustee Bradlo: No report.

Bill Paying: A motion to approve the March audit report in the amount of \$491,204.88 and April bills to pay in the amount of \$112,634.03 was made by Trustee McNett and seconded by Trustee Thurman. 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 March budget report was made by Trustee McNett and seconded by Trustee Bradlo. 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.

New Business:

- A. Supervisor Hess discussed a Proclamation Recognizing May 2022 as Motorcycle Awareness Month.
- B. A motion to Approve the Authorization for the Supervisor to Approve and Execute a Three-Year Agreement for Professional Auditing Services with Newkirk and Associates, Inc. was made by Trustee McNett and then seconded by Trustee Thurman. Supervisor Hess mentioned that this item was brought back from the previous agenda after being tabled and that Newkirk and Associates requested a 3-year contract. 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 to Approve Funds for Continued Support of DeKalb County Economic Development Corporation was made by Trustee King and seconded by Supervisor Hess. 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.

D. A motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting of March 9, 2022 was made by Supervisor Hess then seconded by Trustee Bradlo. It was then passed by unanimous consent.

Old Business: None.

Executive Session: None.

Other Business: The next Township Meeting will be Wednesday, May 11, 2022 at 6:00pm at the DeKalb Township Board Room.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Thurman. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote and the meeting ended at 6:41pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew "Ondrew" Tillotson, Township Clerk

Mary Hess, Township Supervisor

