



**MINUTES TOWNSHIP BOARD
DEKALB, ILLINOIS
October 12, 2022**

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

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Hess at 6:01pm 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 Highway Commissioner Smith.
Clerk Tillotson led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.
The agenda was confirmed by unanimous consent.

Town Hall (Public Comments): None.

Presentations: None.

Reports:

Supervisor Hess: On September 17th, Supervisor Hess mentioned that the Township partnered with Elder Care Services to host an Electronics Recycling Event at the Elder Care Services building. The recycled electronics were given to PCs for People.

On October 1st, Supervisor Hess mentioned that DeKalb Township partnered with Sycamore Township for a Shred/Recycle Event at the Kishwaukee YMCA building.

On October 1st, there was a Cemetery Walk at Oakwood Cemetery.

Supervisor Hess gave an update on the Knox Box program the Township board approved: Twenty-Five Knox Boxes have been installed in the Township.

Nineteen individuals have signed up and been approved for library cards under the Township's intergovernmental agreement with the DeKalb Public Library.

Supervisor Hess discussed updates on the Township's audit report.

On October 18th, Supervisor Hess mentioned that there will be an Avoiding Utility Scams & Saving Energy in the Home Program at DeKalb Public Library.

Clerk Tillotson: The Clerk mentioned the This Is My Brave show.

Highway Commissioner Smith: The commissioner was invited to speak for the TOI, or Township Officials of Illinois.

Commissioner Smith discussed the city annexing roads.

One of Commissioner Smith's workers injured his finger on the job. Commissioner Smith discussed the importance of workplace safety.

Commissioner Smith declared the Wacker roller as surplus equipment under state statute 60 ILCS 13-50.

Assessor Dyer: Commissioner Smith read a statement Assessor Dyer prepared, which is as follows.

The assessments for DeKalb Township were published on October 6th. The deadline to appeal assessments is November 7th. The Township's equalization factor increased assessments 6.62% across the board for the entire Township. This, however, does not equate to an increase in tax dollar amount. This is all dependent on the levies from each taxing body in the jurisdiction. I look forward to seeing you all next month.

Trustee Bradlo: No report.

Trustee King: Trustee King mentioned a student in her office cut grass for the elderly in association with Thornton Township. A discussion ensued about the possibility of a program like this happening at DeKalb Township.

On October 27th, Trustee King mentioned that the author of the 1619 Project, Nikole Hannah-Jones, will be speaking at NIU.

Trustee Thurman: No report.

Trustee McNett: Trustee McNett discussed the police department's acquisition of a new dog, thanks to the help of DeKalb Township's grant.

Bill Paying: A motion to approve the September audit report in the amount of \$154,563.81 and October bills to pay in the amount of \$669,390.82 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 September budget report was made by Trustee McNett 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.

New Business:

- A. A motion for the Discussion and Approval of Resolution 2022-009(T) Awarding Annual Human Service Funding made in the amount \$146,000.00 was made by Trustee Bradlo and seconded by Trustee King. Trustee Thurman led the discussion regarding the sixteen agencies he and Supervisor Hess determined the money should go to. 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 Resolution 2022-010(T) Approving IGA with DeKalb Township Road District for Maintenance of Oakwood and Evergreen Cemeteries and Bush Reserve was made by Trustee McNett and seconded by Trustee Thurman. A discussion 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.

- C. A motion for the Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting of September 14, 2022 was made by Trustee Thurman and seconded by Trustee Bradlo. The board requested several words be deleted for grammatical reasons and passed the minutes with this amendment by unanimous consent.

Old Business: None.

Executive Session: A motion to discuss the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body as provided for in 5ILCS 120/2(c)(5) 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 and executive session began at 7:06pm.

The executive session ended and the public portion of the meeting resumed at 7:11pm.

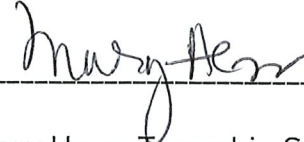
Other Business: The next Township Meeting will be Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at 6:00pm at the DeKalb Township Board Room.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Thurman and seconded by Trustee King. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote and the meeting ended at 7:12pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Andrew "Ondrew" Tillotson, Township Clerk



Mary Hess, Township Supervisor

