

# MINUTES TOWNSHIP BOARD DEKALB, ILLINOIS August 9, 2023

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

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Hess at 6:02pm 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.

Supervisor Hess added a Discussion of the Proposal from the NIU Center for Governmental Studies community needs assessment under New Business. With this modification, the agenda was confirmed by unanimous consent.

Town Hall (Public Comments): None

**Presentations:** None.

# Reports:

**Supervisor Hess:** Supervisor Hess discussed a meeting with other Township Supervisors on July 14<sup>th</sup>.

She stated that the Farmer's Market and Family Fun Fest were on July 20<sup>th</sup>, July 26<sup>th</sup> was the RAMP resource fair, and July 27<sup>th</sup> was the cemetery workshop at the Queen of Heaven Cemetery in Hillside, IL.

She mentioned that Human Service Applications were due on July 31st and that the Township received 17 submissions.

She discussed the Secretary of State's mobile unit that was at the Township building on August 2nd. She mentioned that the Secretary of State's mobile unit will be back at the Township building in January.

She discussed the two employment workshops that took place at University Village and DeKalb public library, respectively. Due to demand, she stated that more will come in September.

She brought up the donation of paper products Emmanuel Lutheran Church gave to the Township.

She congratulated Highway Commissioner Smith for becoming the presidentelect of the Township Highway Commissioners of Illinois.

Clerk Tillotson: No report.

**Highway Commissioner Smith:** Commissioner Smith discussed attending the Highway Commissioner Summer Seminar in Peoria. At that seminar, he was nominated and unanimously voted to be the next president of the Township Highway Commissioners of Illinois.

Commissioner Smith discussed plans for a new stone sign outside of the Township building.

He discussed the new electronic speed-tracking sign out on Annie Glidden Rd.

**Assessor Dyer**: Absent.

**Trustee Thurman**: Trustee Thurman discussed NIU installing a large new screen in Barsema Hall.

**Trustee McNett:** No report.

Trustee King: Trustee King discussed students returning to NIU.

Trustee Bradlo: No report.

**Bill Paying:** A motion to approve the July audit report in the amount of \$425,203.04 and August bills to pay in the amount of \$206,287.10 was made by Trustee Thurman and then seconded by Trustee Bradlo. 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.

A motion to receive, file, and approve the Treasurer's July budget report 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.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

A. Resolution 2023–007(T) Intergovernmental Agreement Between DeKalb Township and DeKalb Township Road District for Use of Property was moved to next month's meeting.

#### **New Business:**

- A. A motion for the Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting of July 12, 2023 was made by Trustee Bradlo and seconded by Trustee Thurman. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.
- B. A discussion of the Community Needs Assessment from the NIU Center for Governmental Studies ensued.

Old Business: None.

**Executive Session:** A motion to enter executive session to discuss Past Executive Session Meeting Minutes for Approval and/or Release under 5 ILCS120/2 (c)(21) was made by Supervisor Hess 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 board entered executive session at 6:58pm. General session resumed at 7:10pm.

**Other Business:** The next Township Meeting will be Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at 6:00pm at the DeKalb Township Board Room.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew "Ondrew" Tillotson, Township Clerk

Mary Hess, Township Supervisor

