



**MINUTES TOWNSHIP BOARD
DEKALB, ILLINOIS
November 8, 2023**

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 via Zoom Audio; and Trustee Thurman: Present.

Also present was Highway Commissioner Smith and Assessor Dyer.

Assessor Dyer led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion to allow Trustee McNett to participate remotely was made by Trustee Thurman then seconded by Trustee Bradlo. Clerk Tillotson took a roll call vote: Supervisor Hess: aye; Trustee McNett: abstain; Trustee Thurman: aye; Trustee King: aye; Trustee Bradlo: aye. Ayes: 4; Nays: 0. The motion passed with this correction.

Supervisor Hess made a motion to change the agenda so that reports take place at the end of the meeting. A unanimous voice vote confirmed this change.

With this change, the agenda was confirmed by unanimous consent.

Town Hall (Public Comments): None.

Presentations: None.

Reports:

Supervisor Hess: Supervisor Hess mentioned the paper shredding event.

She discussed progress in making maps of the Township's cemeteries to know what space is available for burial and who is buried where.

She discussed attending a conference about General Assistance.

She discussed the DeKalb County Mental health board revealing the results of their survey.

She brought up that the Township had a table at DeKalb Public Library to register people to vote and to give out information about the Township.

She discussed meeting someone with the City of DeKalb to learn about how the city is involved with services related to housing.

She stated that the Township is closed on Veteran's Day.

She brought up updates on the servers in the DeKalb Township building.

She discussed more updates on the state of the Township's cemeteries.

She mentioned the Township will be hosting a utility clinic in conjunction with Sue Rezin's office.

She brought up the upcoming Decennial Efficiency Act Meeting.

She discussed updates on forming a committee on youth.

Trustee King asked Supervisor Hess questions about various elements of her report and a discussion ensued.

She wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

Clerk Tillotson: No report.

Highway Commissioner Smith: Commissioner Smith mentioned that the Road District crew started leaf pickup this week.

He mentioned the Road District's purchase of two-way radios.

He discussed progress in finding a new camera security system for the Township building.

He brought up the Road District purchasing a trailer and progress in acquiring a new plow truck.

He gave an update on salt prices.

He gave updates on the Road District's levy. He stated that the levy for the next budget cycle, which will start in April, will not exceed a 2% increase of the money collected this year.

Assessor Dyer: Assessor Dyer stated that the Deadline to file with the DeKalb County Board was November 6.

He and the Assessor's office have been working on property assessment adjustments.

Trustee Thurman: No report.

Trustee McNett: No report.

Trustee King: She discussed the DeKalb County Mental Health Board event where they revealed the results of their mental health survey.

She mentioned considering offering documents in Arabic.

She brought up that Dr. Eddy Glaude, a Princeton professor, will be hosting a fireside chat at NIU.

Trustee Bradlo: No report.

al **Bill Paying:** A motion to approve the October audit report in the amount of \$316,397.80 and ~~October~~ ^{10 months} bills to pay in the amount of \$42,843.85 was made by Trustee Bradlo 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 ~~with this correction.~~ *al*

A motion to receive, file, and approve the Treasurer's October budget report was made by Trustee Thurman 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.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

- A. A motion for the Approval of the 2024 DeKalb Township Building Hours, Board Meeting, and Holiday Closing Calendar was by Trustee Thurman then seconded by Trustee Bradlo. A discussion ensued. It was then approved by a unanimous voice vote.
- B. A motion for the Approval of Resolution 2023-008(T) Awarding Annual Human Service Funding was made by Trustee Thurman then seconded by Trustee Bradlo. Supervisor Hess led a discussion. 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 October 11, 2023 was made by Trustee King and seconded by Supervisor Hess. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Old Business: None.

Executive Session: None.

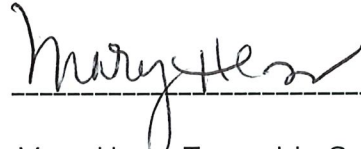
Other Business: The next Township Meeting will be Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at 6:00pm at the DeKalb Township Board Room. The efficiency act Committee meeting is on Monday, November 20th at 6pm.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Hess and seconded by Trustee Thurman. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote and the meeting ended at 6:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Andrew "Ondrew" Tillotson, Township Clerk



Mary Hess, Township Supervisor

