

MINUTES TOWNSHIP BOARD DEKALB, ILLINOIS December 13, 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.

Trustee Thurman led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The agenda was confirmed by unanimous consent.

Town Hall (Public Comments): None.

Presentations: None.

Reports:

Supervisor Hess: Supervisor Hess attended a TOI conference on November 12th.

She mentioned hosting a utility clinic in collaboration with Sue Rezin's office on November 13th.

On November 15th, she and the Road District crew worked at Oakwood cemetery to clean some of the overgrowth.

On November 20th, the Decennial Committee Meeting took place. The next Decennial meeting will be on Tuesday, January 16th at 6pm.

She gave updates for the committee on youth.

On December 4th, she discussed talking with others about a cemetery advisory committee.

On December 6th, she participated in the Afton Township focus group.

Supervisor Hess discussed promoting Casey Bachochin to the Director of General Assistance.

Clerk Tillotson: No report.

Highway Commissioner Smith: Commissioner Smith gave updates on the Road District's work.

According to IL law 60 ILCS1/30-50, he declared three vehicles as Surplus equipment: a 2011 Ford F450 1 ton dump truck, a 1989 Eager Beaver Trailer, and a 2017 Mack Dump truck. He noted that the city will be buying the Mack Dump Truck.

Assessor Dyer: Assessor Dyer discussed that the Assessor's department is going through with board hearings.

He mentioned that he attended the annual Assessor's meeting.

Trustee Thurman: No report.

Trustee McNett: No report.

Trustee King: Trustee King mentioned that it is finals week and NIU students will be leaving.

She announced that she is no longer on the Human Rights Commission.

Trustee Bradlo: No report.

Bill Paying: A motion to approve the November audit report in the amount of \$331,301.02 and December bills to pay in the amount of \$97,463.09 was made by Trustee Thurman and seconded by Trustee McNett. The board asked questions and 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.

A motion to receive, file, and approve the Treasurer's November budget report was made by Trustee King 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 discussion ensued before a motion for the Approval of Ordinance 2023–002(R) DeKalb Township Road District Tax Levy was made by Trustee McNett and second 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.

- B. A discussion ensued before a motion for the Approval of Ordinance 2023-002(T) DeKalb Township District Tax Levy was made by Trustee Bradlo and seconded by Trustee McNett. 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 Review of Amendment to 2023–24 DeKalb Township Budget and Appropriation Ordinance occurred.
- D. A Motion for the Resolution to amend DeKalb Township & Road District Personnel Policy and Procedures to Update Paid Time Off Policy was made by Trustee Bradlo 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.
- E. A motion for the Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting of November 8, 2023 was made by Trustee Bradlo and seconded by Trustee Thurman. Clerk Tillotson made a correction. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Old Business: None.

Executive Session: None.

Other Business: The next Township Meeting will be Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at 6:00pm at the DeKalb Township Board Room.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee McNett and seconded by Supervisor Hess. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote and the meeting ended at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew "Ondrew" Tillotson, Township Clerk

Mary Hess, Township Supervisor

