



**DECENNIAL EFFICIENCY ACT COMMITTEE MEETING
DEKALB, ILLINOIS
May 23, 2023**

Call To Order and Roll Call:

The meeting was called to order at 6:02pm by Supervisor Hess at the Township offices located at 2323 South Fourth Street in DeKalb, Illinois.

Roll call was taken by Clerk Tillotson: Supervisor Hess: Present; Highway Commissioner Craig Smith: Present; Trustee King: Present; Trustee Bradlo: Absent; Trustee Thurman: Present; Township Resident Dr. Kurt Thurmaier: Present; Township Resident Mr. Ellingsworth Webb: Present; and Township Resident Mr. Zachary Gill: Present; and Trustee McNett arrived at 6:07pm.

Public Comment: None.

Introduction – Committee Members:

The Township and Road District members introduced themselves and described their position. Township Resident Zachary Gill stated that he is the City of DeKalb's Engineer, Township Resident Dr. Kurt Thurmaier stated that he is a professor and chair of Public Administration at NIU, and Township Resident Ellingsworth Webb state that he is a DeKalb County Board Member.

Introduction – Purpose of Efficiency Act and Requirements:

Supervisor Hess led a discussion about the Decennial Efficiency Act Joint Committee. She stated that the goal of this meeting is to study ways to increase efficiencies and strengthen accountability. She mentioned that by the committee's end, the Decennial Efficiency Act Committee will issue a report to the County Board.

The committee then began a discussion about the nature of Townships and the Decennial Efficiency Act committee. After clarifying the nature of the committee's tasks, they began a discussion about the future of this committee and how their future report to the County Board should be constructed.

Review of Sample Report: The committee reviewed and discussed the sample report.

Discussion of Methods for Collecting Information for Final Report:

The committee discussed their definition of efficiency by clarifying that efficiency should not sacrifice effectiveness. The committee also discussed how the Township's accountability and efficiency are intertwined with other municipal bodies, non-profits, and constituents. To

address efficiency, the committee came to the consensus that their report should include the Township's inventory and measurements of the Township's effectiveness. A timeline for creating the report and future meetings was discussed.

Survey of Residents in Attendance: Does not apply.

Other Business: The next Decennial Efficiency Act Committee meeting will be at Monday, November 20th at 6pm at the DeKalb Township Board Room.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Thurman and was seconded by Township Resident Mr. Ellingsworth Webb at 7:22pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew "Ondrew" Tillotson, Township Clerk

Mary Hess, Township Supervisor