



MINUTES TOWNSHIP BOARD
DEKALB, ILLINOIS
February 14, 2024

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: Absent; Trustee McNett: Present; and Trustee Thurman: Present.

Also present was Commissioner Smith.

Trustee King 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 recognized the 16-year anniversary of the tragedy at NIU.

She reached out to Sycamore Township to give her condolences on behalf of DeKalb Township, as one of Sycamore Township's trustees, Russ Josh, passed away recently.

On January 17th, she was asked to chair a community migrant discussion.

On January 18th, she visited Rockford Township to learn about their general assistance program.

The Mobile Secretary of State event was cancelled due to the Secretary of State workers' van breaking down. She mentioned that Kim Barrios called everyone that signed up to let them know it was cancelled.

She mentioned that there was a joint review board meeting on January 26th. This would put the DeKalb Township building in a new TIF district.

She brought up that 1099s were issued to landlords that the Township paid rent over the year.

She discussed Bill Newkirk of Newkirk and associates helping her with QuickBooks for the upcoming audit.

Supervisor Hess mentioned that the Township is ready to move forward with the Oakwood Cemetery paving project.

She mentioned that there will be a car clinic at Kishwaukee college on April 19th.

She stated that on March 1st, there will be a citizen's utility clinic at DeKalb Public library.

She went over the monthly general assistance report.

A discussion ensued about DeKalb Township being part of a new TIF district ensued.

Clerk Tillotson: No report.

Highway Commissioner Smith: Commissioner Smith went over a guide he made to outline the projects, equipment purchases, and sales he currently planned out for this year at the Road District.

He mentioned that used equipment prices are high right now. He brought up the Road District purchasing salt and making sure regulatory signs are up to visibility standards.

He mentioned that his budget will be posted to the DeKalb Township website more than a month before the annual Township meeting.

He brought up that early voting begins at DeKalb Township as of March 1st.

Several Township board members asked questions and discussions ensued.

Assessor Dyer: Absent.

Trustee Thurman: No report.

Trustee McNett: No report.

Trustee King: Trustee King mentioned that February is Black History Month and that it is Valentine's Day.

Trustee Bradlo: Absent.

Bill Paying: A motion to approve the January audit report in the amount of \$188,262.28 and February bills to pay in the amount of \$75,961.66 was made by Trustee Thurman and seconded by Trustee King. A discussion ensued. Clerk Tillotson took a roll call

vote: Supervisor Hess: aye; Trustee McNett: aye; Trustee Thurman: aye; Trustee King: aye; Trustee Bradlo: absent. Ayes: 4; Nays: 0. The motion passed.

A motion to receive, file, and approve the Treasurer's January budget report was made by Trustee Thurman 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: absent. Ayes: 4; Nays: 0. The motion passed.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

- A. A motion for the approval of Ordinance 2024-002(T) to Approve Electrical Aggregation Program and Authorize 12-month was made by Trustee Thurman and seconded by Supervisor Hess. A discussion ensued. Clerk Tillotson took a roll call vote: Supervisor Hess: aye; Trustee McNett: aye; Trustee Thurman: aye; Trustee King: aye; Trustee Bradlo: absent. Ayes: 4; Nays: 0. The motion passed.
- B. A motion for the Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting of January 10, 2024 was made by Trustee McNett and seconded by Trustee McNett. Clerk Tillotson brought up two corrections. The minutes then passed by unanimous consent.

Old Business: None.

Executive Session: A motion to enter executive session to discuss litigation and to discuss the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public by ILCS 1/20-2(c)5 and 11 was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Thurman.

Executive Session started at 6:29pm on February 14, 2024.

Supervisor Hess called regular session to order again at 6:50pm. Roll call was taken by Clerk Tillotson: Supervisor Hess: Present; Trustee King: Present; Trustee Bradlo: Absent; Trustee McNett: Present; and Trustee Thurman: Present.

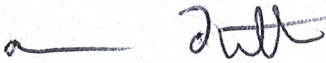
Other Business: The first Committee on Youth meeting will be meeting on February 20th.

The Decennial Efficiency Act Committee meeting will be on February 27th in the DeKalb Township board room at 6pm.

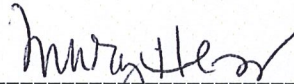
The next Township Meeting will be Wednesday, March 13, 2024 at 6:00pm at the DeKalb Police Department's 2nd Floor Community Room.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Thurman and seconded by Trustee McNett. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote and the meeting ended at 6:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Andrew "Ondrew" Tillotson, Township Clerk



Mary Hess, Township Supervisor

