



MINUTES TOWNSHIP BOARD
DEKALB, ILLINOIS
May 8, 2024

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

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Hess at 6:11pm in the DeKalb Township Board Room. Roll call was taken by Clerk Tillotson: Supervisor Hess: Present; Trustee King: Present; Trustee Bradlo: Absent; Trustee McNett: Absent; and Trustee Thurman: Present.

Also present was Highway Commissioner Smith and Assessor Dyer

Highway Commissioner Smith led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Hess made a change to the agenda, correcting an amount from \$25,000 to \$12,000 for item b under New Business.

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

Town Hall (Public Comments): None.

A motion to open the hearing was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Thurman. A unanimous voice vote opened the DeKalb Township and Road District for budget hearing.

Supervisor Hess and Commissioner Smith gave updates on their respective budgets.

A motion Approve Ordinance 2024-003(T) DeKalb Township Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Beginning April 1, 2024 and ending March 31, 2025 was made by Trustee Thurman and seconded by Trustee King. Clerk Tillotson took a roll call vote: Supervisor Hess: aye; Trustee McNett: absent; Trustee Thurman: aye; Trustee King: aye; Trustee Bradlo: absent. Ayes: 3; Nays: 0. The motion passed.

A motion to Approve Ordinance 2024-001(R) DeKalb Township Road District Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Beginning April 1, 2024 and ending March 31, 2025 was made by Supervisor Hess and seconded by Trustee Thurman. Clerk Tillotson took a roll call vote: Supervisor Hess: aye; Trustee McNett: absent; Trustee Thurman: aye; Trustee King: aye; Trustee Bradlo: absent. Ayes: 3; Nays: 0. The motion passed.

A motion to close the hearing was made by Trustee Thurman and seconded by Supervisor Hess. The hearing was then closed with a unanimous voice vote at 6:18pm.

Presentations: None.

Reports:

Supervisor Hess: Supervisor Hess discussed a Malta Township Trustee, Jamie Willrett's, recent passing. She mentioned that she sent her sympathies to Malta Township on behalf of DeKalb Township.

She brought up the Senior Car Clinic that took place at Kishwaukee College, where there were able to serve 49 cars.

She mentioned NIU cares day, where 8 NIU students helped in cleaning up Oakwood Cemetery.

She mentioned Commissioner Smith's new employee, Taylor, starting her job.

She described a general assistance hearing at DeKalb County, which upheld the Township's decision to not grant assistance.

She discussed her attendance at Township lobby day in Springfield, IL on April 17th.

She explained that an auditor will be reaching out to Township officials soon.

She discussed the Shred and Recycle event being conducted with Sycamore Township at the Kishwaukee YMCA from 9-11am on May 18th.

She mentioned that Executive assistant Kimberly Barrios discovered the organization Shoe Sensation, that donates sneakers to the Lions Club, and added them to the Shred and Recycle Event.

Clerk Tillotson: No report.

Highway Commissioner Smith: Commissioner Smith discussed his new employee, Taylor.

He mentioned that the Road District purchased a new skid loader.

He mentioned Taylor beginning her work with the Road District.

He mentioned the Road District setting aside money for a new storage unit.

He mentioned a Road District employee turning 65 and moving over to Medicare insurance.

Assessor Dyer: Assessor Dyer stated that Property tax bills went out last Thursday and are due on June 6th and September 6th. He mentioned that there was a slight increase in the Township's property tax from last year.

Trustee Thurman: No report.

Trustee McNett: Absent.

Trustee King: She mentioned that NIU students are leaving.

Trustee Bradlo: Absent.

Bill Paying: A motion to approve the April audit report in the amount of \$219,598.38 and May bills to pay in the amount of \$72,658.85 was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Thurman. Clerk Tillotson took a roll call vote: Supervisor Hess: aye; Trustee McNett: absent; Trustee Thurman: aye; Trustee King: aye; Trustee Bradlo: absent. Ayes: 3; Nays: 0. The motion passed.

A motion to receive, file, and approve the Treasurer's April budget report was made by Trustee Thurman and seconded by Trustee King. Clerk Tillotson took a roll call vote: Supervisor Hess: aye; Trustee McNett: absent; Trustee Thurman: aye; Trustee King: aye; Trustee Bradlo: absent. Ayes: 3; Nays: 0. The motion passed.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

- A. A motion for the Discussion and Approval of Resolution 2024-003(T) Authorizing the Award of a Contract to Schroder Asphalt Services, Inc. in the amount of \$118,714.10 as the Lowest Competitive bidder for Roadway Improvements at Oakwood Cemetery was made by Trustee Thurman and seconded by Supervisor Hess. Clerk Tillotson took a roll call vote: Supervisor Hess: aye; Trustee McNett: absent; Trustee Thurman: aye; Trustee King: aye; Trustee Bradlo: absent. Ayes: 3; Nays: 0. The motion passed.
- B. A motion for the Discussion and Approval of Authorization for Supervisor to approve and execute Agreement for Professional Services with Fehr Graham in the amount of \$12,000 for Roadway Improvements at Oakwood Cemetery 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: absent; Trustee Thurman: aye; Trustee King: aye; Trustee Bradlo: absent. Ayes: 3; Nays: 0. The motion passed.
- C. A motion for the Discussion and Approval of Authorization for Supervisor to Approve a One-Year Agreement with Keith and Associates for Professional Associates 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: absent; Trustee Thurman: aye; Trustee King: aye; Trustee Bradlo: absent. Ayes: 3; Nays: 0. The motion passed.

- D. A motion for the Discussion and Approval of Expenditure in the Amount of \$6,000 for Community Outreach Services/Public Safety Initiative serving DeKalb Township by means of the DeKalb County Crimestoppers was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Thurman. Clerk Tillotson took a roll call vote: Supervisor Hess: aye; Trustee McNett: absent; Trustee Thurman: aye; Trustee King: aye; Trustee Bradlo: absent. Ayes: 3; Nays: 0. The motion passed.
- E. Supervisor Hess gave a Proclamation, Recognizing May 2024 as Motorcycle Awareness Month.
- F. A motion for the Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting of April 9, 2024 was made by Trustee Thurman and seconded by Supervisor Hess. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Old Business: None.

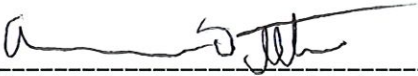
Executive Session: None.

Other Business: The next Committee on Youth meeting will be meeting on May 21st, 2024 at 5:00 pm at DeKalb Public Library.

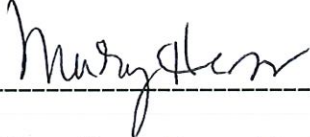
The next Regular Board of Trustees Meeting will be ^{June 12}~~May 8~~, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Thurman and seconded by Supervisor Hess. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote and the meeting ended at 6:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Andrew "Ondrew" Tillotson, Township Clerk



Mary Hess, Township Supervisor

