

# MINUTES TOWNSHIP BOARD DEKALB, ILLINOIS September 11, 2024

## 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; and Trustee Thurman: Present.

Also present was Assessor Dyer and Commissioner Smith.

Supervisor Hess led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The agenda was confirmed by unanimous consent.

Presentations: None.

Town Hall (Public Comments): None.

### Reports:

**Supervisor Hess:** Supervisor Hess went over DeKalb Township's Fall Newsletter.

She mentioned that DeKalb Township's Director of General Assistance, Cassandra Bachochin, and DeKalb Township's Case Manager, Erika Brown, went to Metro Township Association's General Assistance/Emergency Assistance Training, and that Cassandra later attended an event at University Village Apartments highlighting resources available to residents.

She brought up that DeKalb Township was awarded 10 \$25 gift cards from Goodwill that will go to Township Residents in need.

She gave an update on the state of the cemeteries: she mentioned working with Joan Protano to finalize their data entry for Oakwood Cemetery, that the road paving project was completed at Oakwood Cemetery, and that Stonehugger Cemetery Restoration, Inc. did their annual restoration at Evergreen and Oakwood cemetery.

She stated that appointments for the upcoming Transponder Recycle and Swap Event on Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup> from 1–7pm at the DeKalb Township building were all booked.

She brought up that on September 26<sup>th</sup>, DeKalb Township will be at Bard Food Mart and will have a table with information on DeKalb Township's services.

She stated that on Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, from 9–11am, the Township will have a Paper Shred event at the Kishwaukee YMCA.

She congratulated the NIU Football team on their win against Notre Dame.

**Clerk Tillotson:** Clerk Tillotson gave updates on the signature gathering, circulating, and filing of candidate petitions for the upcoming April 1, 2025 consolidated election. He brought up that he will be at the DeKalb Township building from Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> to Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup> to receive candidate petitions.

**Highway Commissioner Smith:** Commissioner Smith mentioned that Paul Mollet, the Mayfield Township Highway Commissioner, is retiring in October, after 55 years of service.

He discussed working on the equipment storage building and fixing the flag outside of the DeKalb Township building.

He stated that most of the Road District's summer projects are done and that he extended Nate Smith's contract working with the DeKalb Road District.

**Assessor Dyer**: Assessor Dyer mentioned that the Assessor's Office is finishing up their work so that it can sent to DeKalb County by September 16<sup>th</sup> for publication.

Trustee Thurman: No report.

Trustee McNett: No report.

**Trustee King**: Trustee King mentioned that students are back and congratulated the NIU football team on their win against Notre Dame.

Trustee Bradlo: No report.

**Bill Paying:** A motion to approve the August audit report in the amount of \$250,694.96 and September bills to pay in the amount of \$134,175.98 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.

A motion to receive, file, and approve the Treasurer's August 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: abcent. Ayes: 5; Nays: 0. The motion passed.



### Unfinished Business: None.

### **New Business:**

- A. A motion for the Approval of Funds for Continued Support of DeKalb County Economic Development Corporation (DCEDC) in the amount of \$3000.00 was made by Supervisor Hess and seconded by Trustee McNett. Supervisor Hess gave updates on the state of DCEDC. Clerk Tillotson took a roll call vote: Supervisor Hess: aye; Trustee McNett: aye; Trustee Thurman: aye; Trustee King: aye; Trustee Bradlo: absent. Ayes: 5; Nays: 0. The motion passed.
- B. A motion for a Discussion Regarding South Fourth Street Proposed Tax Increment Financing (TIF) plan was made by Trustee Thurman then seconded by Trustee McNett. A discussion ensued.
- C. A motion for the approval of Minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting of August 14, 2024 was made by Trustee Thurman and seconded by Trustee McNett. With two amendments, the minutes were passed by unanimous voice vote.

Old Business: None.

Executive Session: The executive session was tabled until next month.

**Other Business:** The next Committee on Youth meeting will be meeting on September 17th, 2024 at 5:00 pm at the DeKalb Township building.

The next Regular Board of Trustees Meeting will be October 9, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Thurman and seconded by Trustee Bradlo. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote and the meeting ended at 6:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew "Ondrew" Tillotson, Township Clerk

Mary Hess, Township Supervisor

