

**MINUTES DOWNERS GROVE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC HEARING HIGHWAY BUDGET
MARCH 17, 2016**

The hearing on Highway Budget was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Township office, 4340 Prince Street, Downers Grove, Illinois by Supervisor Wurster. Board members attending were Trustees Abbate, Boltz, Grimsby, Supervisor Wurster, and Trustee Cuthbert by phone. Clerk Hois and Attorney Alongi were present.

Clerk Hois read the legal notice that had been published in the Downers Grove Suburban Life newspaper, February 12, 2016, south suburban February 17, 2016.

Public discussion followed. Questions raised regarding highway department personnel salaries and expenses, equipment costs, and increased health insurance rates were answered by Highway Commissioner Lawrence "Andy" Anderson.

After all questions were answered Trustee Grimsby made a motion to pass the highway budget for fiscal year 2016-17 as presented, which motion was seconded by Trustee Cuthbert. A roll call vote was taken. Board members Abbate, Boltz, Cuthbert, Grimsby, and Wurster all voted aye. Motion to approve passed 5 to 0.

Motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Boltz, seconded by Trustee Grimsby, all voting aye. Adjournment was made at 7:08 p.m.

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The hearing on the Township Budget was called to order at 7:15 pm by Supervisor Wurster at the Township office 4340 Prince Street, Downers Grove, Illinois. Board members in attendance were Trustees Abbate, Boltz, Grimsby, and Supervisor Wurster. Trustee Cuthbert could not be reached by phone after several attempts, due to an apparent cell issue. Also present were Attorney Alongi and Clerk Hois.

Clerk Hois read the legal notice that had been published in the Downers Grove Suburban Life newspaper on February 12, 2016, south suburban February 17, 2016.

Public discussion followed, with questions raised and answered regarding recent adjustments to the proposed 2016-17 budget, any new hires (no), salary increases, general assistance fund reimbursements, and legal and furniture line items. Trustee Boltz made a motion to add \$2,000 to the budget for meals on wheels under general assistance, seconded by Trustee Abbate, and all Board members voted aye, roll call.

Supervisor Wurster asked for a motion to waive the reading of the budget, which motion was made by Trustee Abbate, seconded by Trustee Grimsby, all voted aye.

Motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Boltz, seconded by Trustee Grimsby, and all voted aye. Adjournment was made at 7:27 p.m.

MINUTES OF DOWNERS GROVE TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
March 17, 2016

A meeting of the Town Board of Downers Grove Township was held March 17, 2016 at the Downers Grove Township, 4340 Prince Street, Downers Grove, Illinois.

1. *Call to Order:* Supervisor Wurster called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., and everyone present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. *Roll Call:* Town Clerk Hois called the roll. Board members in attendance were Trustee Abbate, Trustee Boltz, Trustee Grimsby and Supervisor Wurster. A quorum was physically present. Supervisor Wurster asked for a motion to allow Trustee Cuthbert to attend the meeting electronically, as he was out on business, which motion was made by Trustee Boltz, seconded by Trustee Grimsby, and all four Board members present voted aye in roll call vote. Clerk Hois dialed Trustee Cuthbert to join the meeting by speakerphone. Attorney Alongi was present.
3. *Public Comment:* Resident Karol Sole thanked the Township Highway Department for restoring the electronic recycling program, a valuable service to the community. She also offered to serve as parliamentarian at the Annual Town Meeting of Downers Grove Township to be held on April 12, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.
4. *Correspondence:* Clerk Hois reported that she had received three items of correspondence: (i) a notice from the City of Darien regarding address changes at 1502 and 1510 75th Street, Darien created by plat of subdivision, (ii) a request from Waste Management for unincorporated area resident addresses in connection with Groot's refuse collection program to commence April 1, 2016, and (iii) notice from County Clerk to pick up tax (levy) extension worksheets.
5. *Minutes:* Trustee Boltz made a motion to approve the Minutes of the February 18, 2016 Board Meeting, which motion was seconded by Trustee Grimsby, and the four Board members present voted aye. Trustee Cuthbert voted present.
6. *Invoices:* The Board of Trustees reviewed the invoices prior to the meeting:

General Town Fund	03/18	\$ 54,733.13
General Road Fund	03/16	\$ 50,321.44
General Assistance	02/01to 02/26	\$ 2,025.25

Trustee Abbate made a motion to approve the invoices, which motion was seconded by Trustee Grimsby, four members voted aye, Trustee Cuthbert voted present, and the motion carried.

7. *Presentation by Emily Glasberg of Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management:* Supervisor Wurster said the Township's contract with Clarke Environmental is a three year contract which has already been approved by the Board, and he

welcomed Emily Glasberg to provide an update and any concerns related to the upcoming mosquito season. Emily said Clarke Environmental specializes in mosquito abatement services and coordinates its services to provide a wider range of coverage. The bulk of its program is larvae control, including the search for standing water at 74 different sites within the Township boundaries. Clarke conducts two targeted inspections to find breeding, and treat for it, and two other inspections for culex mosquitos. For the year 2016, the price will be held at the 2015 level: \$9,570. In 2015 we had the wettest June on record. There were 7 cases of West Nile virus affecting humans in Illinois in the year 2014. The species that is the primary vector of the Zika virus is not in Illinois, but the Asian Tiger mosquito is in Illinois. The goal is to eliminate standing water by cleaning gutters, emptying bird baths, etc. Emily is available to answer more technical questions at any time. Supervisor Wurster thanked Emily for her presentation.

8. *Approve Agenda for Annual Town Meeting on April 12, 2016:* Trustee Boltz made a motion to approve the Annual Town Meeting Agenda as presented in the proposed legal notice and agenda, which motion was seconded by Trustee Grimsby, and all five Board members voted aye in favor of the agenda.
9. *Approve Budget and Appropriation Ordinances for the Township for Fiscal Year March 2016 – February 28, 2017:* Supervisor Wurster called for further discussion on the Township budget. Trustee Abbate made a motion to approve the Township budget as revised to add \$2,000 for meals on wheels as agreed at the 7:15 p.m. public hearing, which motion was seconded by Trustee Grimsby. Clerk Hois conducted the roll call vote: Trustee Abbate: aye, Trustee Boltz: aye, Trustee Cuthbert: aye, Trustee Grimsby: aye, Supervisor Wurster: aye, the budget was approved by 5-0 vote.
10. *Discuss Improvements and Maintenance for Cemeteries:* Trustee Grimsby said she had visited the Oak Hill and Oak Crest Cemeteries. The Township had arranged with Mike's Tree Service to have trees taken out at Oak Hill Cemetery. Trustee Grimsby found big chunks of wood and limbs leaning up against tombstones that had not been removed after the trees had been cut down. Discussion followed regarding the location of the fence in relation to the cemetery property boundary line. Trustee Grimsby asked if we should locate the property line to avoid incurring tree removal costs on neighboring property. She and Board members present reviewed the survey with Attorney Alongi, who recommended obtaining quotes for the cost to locate the South and West property line. Trustee Grimsby said she had been at the cemetery earlier that day, and most of the wood had been picked up by a landscaper for the tree service.
11. *Approve Township Loss Control Policy as suggested by Township Officials of Illinois Risk Management Association ("TOIRMA"):* Clerk Hois explained that the Township Loss Control Policy is in place as previously approved by the Board, and needs to be updated to include Trustee Boltz, who became a member of the

Board last June. Trustee Boltz made a motion to approve the Township Loss Control Policy, seconded by Trustee Grimsby, and all five members voted aye.

12. *Supervisor's Report:* Supervisor Wurster announced that the Downers Grove Township's Open House will be held on May 21, 2016, details to follow.

13. *Old Business:* NONE.

14. *New Business:*

Trustee Abbate said she went to a meeting on the I-55 extension, first phase, there is no funding for this project. A sound wall is being considered for all residents that live along I-55 (north and south) between I-294 and I-355. Two noise forum sessions are being planned to address this issue. According to IDOT, they need at least a 33% response rate from all eligible residents and 50% or more of those respondents must say yes to the fence for it to be built. The noise forums will be held on April 6, 2016, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Burr Ridge Middle School, and on April 7, 2016 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Jefferson Junior High.

Trustee Boltz said he has been to homeowner association meetings at Timberlake, Golfview Hills and others and said people are so excited about the refuse contract with Groot. They also say they like the road work Andy is doing.

Finally, Supervisor Wurster said the Township had received dividend check from TOIRMA in amount of \$16,878, \$10,126.80 of which goes to the Road District.

15. *Executive Session:* NONE.

16. *Adjournment:* There being no further business, Trustee Abbate made a motion to adjourn, motion seconded by Trustee Grimsby, all voted aye, and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Hois
Town Clerk