

MINUTES OF DOWNERS GROVE TOWNSHIP  
BOARD MEETING  
July 20, 2017

Regular meeting of the Supervisor and Board of Trustees of Downers Grove Township held on Thursday, July 20, 2017 at 4340 Prince Street, Downers Grove, Illinois.

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Supervisor Thoman.

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

Supervisor Thoman lead everyone in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call:

Board members present at roll call were Trustee Abby Ferguson, Trustee Dave Kalet, Trustee Karen Kelly and Supervisor Mark Thoman. A quorum was physically present.

Absent: None

Also present was Township Attorney Allen Alongi and Clerk Lorraine Grimsby.

4. Public Comment:

Burr Ridge residents, Elvia Solis and Margaret Gall asked for a 5 ton truck limit signs on Bluff St, Cass Ave and Madison St and spoke of concerns for increased truck traffic if the asphalt plant permit was approved and asked for Township support in opposing the plant. Supervisor Thoman stated that Downers Grove Township has already filed a Formal Objection with the County for the Asphalt plant as being within 600 feet of residential complexes and the carcinogenic gases could cause health problems to humans, animals and the environment.

Mr. John Curcio also opposes the asphalt plant and also asked for assistance with the You Got Junk building and property. The property has been cleaned up but the building has not been demolished. Mr. Curcio stated there is a potential buyer. Supervisor Thoman will follow up with the County on this issue.

5. Motion to Approve the Minutes of Board Meeting, June 15, 2017.

Trustee Ferguson made a motion to approve the June 15, 2017 minutes as presented, motion seconded by Trustee Kalet, all voted aye. Motion Carried.

6. Trustee Audit and Approval of Bills an Claims.

General Town Fund	06/21 to 07/18	\$ 30,841.54
General Road Fund	06/21 to 07/18	\$ 510,786.28
General Assistance	05/01 to 05/31	\$ 2,175.76

Trustee Kalet made a motion to approve the Bills and Claims, motion seconded by Trustee Kelly, all voted aye. Motion Carried.

7. Scott Duenser, Klein Hall CPA's presentation on Annual Audit. (available on website)

Scott Duenser, CPA- provided a recap of the Audit and stated the Audit will be filed with the State once they open up their website.

8. Motion to amend annual schedule of meetings to one meeting on the third Thursday of each month.

Supervisor Thoman made a motion to approve the amended annual meeting schedule to one meeting on the third Thursday of each month , motion was seconded by Trustee Kalet,

Discussion ensued by Trustees: find two meetings a month beneficial and informational presentations by employee's and elected officials should be encouraged.

Supervisor Thoman called for a vote. Vote: 3-1. Motion Failed.

9. Supervisor's Report.

1. Ash trees. The first round of General Fund removals is in place and second round in the works. We will continue to apprise Trustees and receive input on bids, despite project sizes coming in smaller groupings that fall below the threshold for required Trustee approval.
2. FISH Pantry. I met with the FISH Board of Directors and had a lively and productive discussion on several items that are hoped to leave us with a neater more efficient operation.
3. I met with Wheatland Township trustees to discuss our Refuse Program. They consider ours a model program, and were very complimentary of and impressed by the work of our volunteers.
4. TOI. All officials found the boot camp very productive and informative.

10. Old Business.

None at this time.

11. New Business.

None at this time.

12. Executive Session.

Trustee Kelly moved to go into Executive session regarding 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (3) to consider appointment of a person to fill a public office or vacancy in a public office where the body has appointing authority, motion seconded by Trustee Ferguson. Roll Call Vote: Trustee Ferguson- aye; Trustee Kalet-aye; Trustee Kelly-aye; and Supervisor Thoman-aye. Motion carried.

Return to Open Session:

Trustee Kelly moved to Return to Open Session, motion seconded by Trustee Kalet. Roll Call Vote: Trustee Ferguson- aye; Trustee Kalet-aye; Trustee Kelly-aye; and Supervisor Thoman-aye. Motion Carried.

Supervisor Thoman moved to appoint, Arthur P. Donner, to fill the vacancy for Downers Grove Township Trustee, motion seconded by Trustee Kelly, Roll Call Vote: Trustee Ferguson- aye; Trustee Kalet-aye; Trustee Kelly-aye; and Supervisor Thoman-aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Thoman thanked everyone for participating and stated it is important that concerned residents continue to serve their community.

Clerk Grimsby administered the Oath of Office to Arthur P. Donner for the position of Downers Grove Township Trustee.

13. Trustee Kalet moved to go into Executive session regarding 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees, motion seconded by Trustee Kelly. Roll Call Vote: Trustee Ferguson- aye; Trustee Kalet-aye; Trustee Kelly-aye; and Supervisor Thoman-aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Kalet moved to return to Open Session, seconded by Trustee Kelly. Roll Call Vote: Trustee Ferguson- aye; Trustee Kalet-aye; Trustee Kelly-aye; and Supervisor Thoman-aye. Motion carried.

14. Motion to Adjourn

Trustee Kelly motioned to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Kalet, all voted aye. Motion Carried.

The next regular Downers Grove Township Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, August 3, 2017.