

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of
Downers Grove Township Board of Trustees
4340 Prince Street, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515
January 19, 2023**

1. Call to Order

Supervisor Coultrap called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Coultrap invited everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum

Clerk Grimsby called the roll. Present were Supervisor Coultrap, Trustee Ockrim, Trustee Ricordati and Trustee Stoll. Absent: Trustee Ferguson.

Elected and Appointed Officials present were Allen Alongi, Township Attorney, and Township Clerk, Lorraine Grimsby.

Others present: Ms. Karol Sole

4. Downers Grove North High School Jeff Grant, Physiology & Biology.

Full presentation on Prairie Grass partnership can be viewed at: dgtownship.com/transparency

5. Public Comment

Supervisor Coultrap asked if there was anyone who had comments to make.

Public Comment can be viewed at: dgtownship.com/transparency.

With no further comments or discussion, Supervisor Coultrap ended the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

6. Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting from November 17, 2022, as Presented

Trustee Stoll made a Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting from December 15, 2022, as Presented. The Motion was seconded by Trustee Ockrim. There was no Trustee discussion.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Ockrim, "Aye", Trustee Stoll, "Aye", Trustee Ricordati, "Aye", Supervisor Coultrap, "Aye". Ayes-4. Nay-0. Absent-1. Motion carried.

7. Motion to Approve the Trustee Audit and Approval of Bills and Claims, as Presented

General Town Fund	12/01/2022 to 12/30/2022	\$ 54,311.86
General Road Fund	12/01/2022 to 12/30/2022	\$124,045.83

Trustee Ockrim made a Motion to Approve the Trustee Audit and Approval of Bills and Claims, as Presented, and the Motion was seconded by Trustee Ricordati. There was no Trustee discussion.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Ockrim, "Aye", Trustee Stoll, "Aye", Trustee Ricordati, "Aye", Supervisor Coultrap, "Aye". Ayes-4. Nay-0. Absent-1. Motion carried.

8. Motion to Approve Amended General Fund Budget and Appropriation Ordinance 22/23 as presented.

Trustee Stoll made a Motion to Approve Amended General Fund Budget and Appropriation Ordinance 22/23 as presented. The Motion was seconded by Trustee Ockrim.

Supervisor Coultrap stated that the General Fund Budget was Amended because the FISH Food Pantry received \$175,000.00 AAPA funds from the County of DuPage.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Ockrim, "Aye", Trustee Stoll, "Aye", Trustee Ricordati, "Aye", Supervisor Coultrap, "Aye". Ayes-4. Nay-0. Absent-1. Motion carried.

9. Supervisor's Report

Supervisor reported on the following:

- The January listing of events and Community Dining calendar are posted on our website.
- Lunch and Learn: Positive Aging: A Shift in Your Mindset, Thursday, January 26, 2023
- Safety Seminar, DuPage County Sheriff's Office, February 1, 2023, 12:30-1:30.
- Protecting Your Most Important Assets: February 2, 2023, 12:00 PM 0 2:00.
- Senior Survival Skills: Don't Wait for the Crisis! February 16, 2023, 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM.
- Senior Living Options, February 9, 2023, 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM.
- Senior Transitions: Should I Stay or Should I Go? July 19, 2023, 12:30 PM – 2:30 PM.
- Recycling Seminar, presented by SCARCE, decluttering or downsizing your home, March 23, 2023, 12:30 PM – 2:00 PM.
- AARP Smart Driving Class, February 23 and 24th, 2023, 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM.
- I Had No Idea! Seminar: presented by Connie Catalano, Life Transitions specialist, February 22, 2023, 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM.
- Book Club: February 15, 2023, 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM.
- Puzzle Mania: March 1, 2023, 12:30 – 3:00 PM.
- Games, Cards, Puzzles: Tuesdays: 9:30 – 11:00 AM and 2:30 – 4:00 PM.
- A Matter of Balance: Tuesdays, January 17 – March 7, 2023, 12:30 – 2:30 PM.
- Tell Your Story seminar: Share Your Story by Connie Catalano, Life Transitions Specialist, February 22, 2023, 12:30 – 2:00 PM.
- Windows Fundamental Computer Class: 7 weeks. Wednesdays, January 11 – February 22, 2023, 1:30 – 3:00 PM.
- Chromebook Workshop, January 18th and 19, 2023, 10:30 – 12:00 PM.
- Circle of Support: February 6, 2023, 12:00 – 1:00 PM.
- Valentine's Day Celebration: February 14, 2023, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- For classes and events at the Township Senior Center, please register at:

Register at: humanservices@dgtownship.com or 630-719-6670

10. Assessor's Report

No report.

11. Highway Commission Report

In the past month the Highway Department has been working on the following projects.:

- We spent many hours plowing and salting Twp roads at the end of December. Over the Christmas holiday I called the crew out four separate times and we have been out two other times to just salt roads since then.
- Our tree crew has been busy trimming trees as well as doing cut backs in the right-of-ways along certain roads. Currently we are cutting back our portion of the North I-55 Frontage rd between 79th St and Clarendon hills Rd.

- We also removed a hornets nest that was lodged in a large maple tree in Liberty Park.
- Our patch crew has been busy filling potholes with cold mix. The nice weather we have been having has allowed us to do quite a bit of patching this year.
- We had crews run their routes and pick up Christmas trees for recycling on rain days. This is something we have done every year since we started our brush pick up program back in the late eighties.
- We had our sign crew replace damaged intersection signs that were in need of replacement in several different subdivisions including Brookeridge, the Downers Grove Gardens, 89th St off of Madison St, Farmingdale South and Pleasantdale subdivision.
- Crews also spent a couple of days opening up clogged basins before we experienced rain events and replaced sod damaged by the snow plows during plowing. The rain and warm weather gave us a window of time to put in sod in damaged areas. We keep track of damaged areas and follow up with dirt and seed in the spring.

12. Old Business

There was no old business presented.

13. New Business

There was no new business presented.

14. Motion to Move to Executive Session

No Executive Session

15. Motion to Return to Open Session

16. Closed Session Report

There was no Closed Session report.

17. Motion to Adjourn

There being no further business to come before this Board, Supervisor Coultrap called for a Motion to Adjourn. Trustee Ockrim made a Motion to Adjourn. The Motion was seconded by Trustee Ricordati. The Motion was carried by voice vote. The Meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm.

The next Downers Grove Township Board Meeting will be held on February 23, 2023.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lorraine Grimsby, Township Clerk