

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of  
Downers Grove Township Board of Trustees  
4340 Prince Street, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515  
January 20, 2022**

**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 Ferguson, Trustee Ricordati, Trustee Ockrim and Trustee Stoll.

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

Others present: Ms. Sole.

**4. Public Comment**

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

Public comments available online at: [dgtownship.com](http://dgtownship.com)

With no further comments, Supervisor Coultrap ended the Public Comment portion of the Meeting.

**5. Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting from December 16, 2021, as Presented**

Trustee Ferguson made a Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting from December 16, 2021, as Presented. The Motion was seconded by Trustee Stoll. There was no Trustee discussion.

Roll Call vote: Trustee Ricordati, "Aye", Trustee Stoll, "Aye", Trustee Ferguson, "Aye", Trustee Ockrim, "Aye" and Supervisor Coultrap, "Aye". Ayes-5, Nay-0. Motion Carried.

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

General Town Fund	12/01/2021 to 12/31/2021	\$ 32,406.37
General Road Fund	12/01/2021 to 12/31/2021	\$106,956.49

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

Roll Call vote: Trustee Ferguson, "Aye", Trustee Ricordati, "Aye", Trustee Stoll, "Aye" Trustee Ockrim "Aye", and Supervisor Coultrap, "Aye". Ayes-5, Nay-0. Motion Carried.

**7. & 8. General Fund Budget and Highway Department Budget discussion.**

Supervisor Coultrap stated that the Legal Notice for Budget and Appropriations has been sent to the newspaper. The Budgets and Appropriations for the Town General Fund and Highway Department will be available online and hung in the office beginning Monday, January 24, 2022. The Public Hearing for

the Highway Department will be held on Thursday, February 24, 2022 at 6:30 PM. Public Hearing for the Town General Fund will be held on Thursday, February 24, 2022 at 6:45 PM. The General Board of Trustee Meeting will begin following the Public Hearings.

**9. Supervisor's Report**

a. Supervisor Coultrap reported that the outdate General Assistance Policy has been updated to be more inline with other Townships. Effective January 1, 2022, the Downers Township General Assistance will increase its income guidelines and payments levels in order to serve more residents of the Township.

b. Supervisor Coultrap explained the differences between General Assistance, Emergency Assistance and LIHEAP programs and guidelines.

c. Supervisor Coultrap provided a brief update on the cleanup project at Oak Hill and Oak Crest Cemetery.

**10. Assessor's Report**

There was no Assessor's Report.

**11. Highway Commission Report**

In the last month the Highway Department has been working on the following projects. We have been out plowing and/or salting several times over the last month. Our most difficult storm started out as freezing mist then dropped in temperature for several days. We removed the ice with salt but had to keep a close eye on problem spots where thawing occurred during the daylight hours and refreezing occurred later in the day.

Crews have been out with cold mix to patch potholes created from the freeze thaw cycles.

Crews picked up Christmas trees placed in the right of ways by residents for recycling. Trees are chipped at our shop and offered to residents as free mulch.

Crews trimmed several areas where brush created issues by blocking signs, and they handled several downed trees from the high winds we had.

Sign replacements happened in different subdivisions of the Township to replace worn out signs, and signs damaged during the high winds we endured over the last few weeks.

During the coldest days of the last month, crews pulled maintenance on the vehicles and cleaned out the bays at the shop.

Crews picked up garbage dumped on Jeans Rd and on 97th St.

**12. Old Business**

There was no old business presented.

**13. New Business**

There was no new business presented.

14. No Executive Session

15. No Executive Session

17. **Closed Session Report**

No report.

**18. 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 Ferguson.

The Motion was carried by voice vote. The Meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm.

**NOTE: 4 th Thursday, February 24, 2022**

Highway Budget Public Hearings will be held Thursday, February 24th, 2022 at 6:30 PM

General Fund Budget Public Hearings will be held Thursday, February 24th, 2022 at 6:45 PM

Downers Grove Township Board Meetings will be held on Thursday, February 24, 2022 at 7:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lorraine Grimsby, Township Clerk