

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of
Downers Grove Township Board of Trustees
4340 Prince Street, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515
April 20, 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 Ricordati Trustee Ockrim, Trustee Ferguson and Trustee Stoll.

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

Others present: Ms. Karol Sole and Ms. Mary Lemanski.

4. 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.

5. Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting from March 16, 2023, as Presented

Trustee Ferguson made a Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting from March 16, 2023 as Presented. The Motion was seconded by Trustee Ricordati. There was no Trustee discussion.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Ferguson, "Aye", Trustee Ricordati, "Aye", Supervisor Coultrap, "Aye". Ayes-3. Nay-0. Abstain-2. Motion carried.

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

General Town Fund	3/01/2023 to 3/31/2023	\$ 45,974.55
General Road Fund	3/01/2023 to 3/31/2023	\$ 65,882.26

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

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

7. Motion to Approve Resolution 2023-042023-1, Resolution Reappointment of Richard Roderick as Trustee for Golview Hills Fire Protection District.

Trustee Ockrim made a Motion to Approve Resolution 2023-042023-1, Resolution Reappointment of Richard Roderick as Trustee for Golfview Hills Fire Protection District, and the Motion was seconded by Trustee Stoll. There was no Trustee discussion.

Attorney Alongi stated that Mr. Roderick has served on the Golfview Hills Fire Protection District since 2006.

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

8. Supervisor's Report

Supervisor Coultrap announced:

- Shredding Event: In conjunction with the Village of Downers Grove, there will be a Shredding Event on Saturday, April 22, 2023 from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM at the Downers Grove maintenance garage.
- Flag Day Celebration on Saturday, June 10, 2023, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM. Please join us to honor the many veterans laid to rest in our township cemeteries. There will be a performance by the American Legion Orchestra and light refreshments will be provided. Hosted by Downers Grove Township and American Legion Post #391 of Lombard. Oak Crest & Oak Hill Cemeteries on Howard St and Glenview Ave. During the military ceremony there will be a 21-gun salute. For classes and events at the Township Senior Center, please register at:

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

15. Assessor's Report

No report.

16. Highway Commission Report

- The crew has been busy removing snowplows and spreaders from most of the trucks and storing them for the spring and summer months.
- Usually, we use April 15th as a target date for removal but due to this year's strange weather patterns we decided to keep a couple trucks ready for use just in case. Monday's dusting and temperature drop showed this to be a good idea when we had to salt our five bridge decks which had become slick and snowy.
- We have been taking advantage of the nice weather prior to the dusting by removing stump grindings from trees cut down on our right of ways.
- Our contractor grounded these over the winter, and we were waiting for warmer weather to arrive and the dirt fields to open before we cored them out. A few of these were the last remaining stumps left over from trees damaged in 2021's tornado.
- Dirt and seed were used to fill the holes and matting was laid down to help soil stay moist for seed germination to occur.
- The crew also started doing restoration from snowplow damage left from this past winter as well as repairing areas disturbed from sidewalk and curb replacements last year.
- Our concrete contractor finished late last fall due to strikes and concrete shortages, so restorations were put off until this spring.
- They crew used our new track hoe we purchased last fall to cut back a bike path we have along 101st St between Lemont Rd. And Woodward Ave. The hoe has a shredder-chipper attachment which allows it to cut trees higher up and quicker than ground crews can.
- Currently we are a little more than halfway done with the path and will follow up with mowing to cut down surrounding grass and debris from the shredding.
- Crews were out patching potholes again; we expect this to slow down once we are through with the freeze thaw cycles and temperatures start to warm and stay constant.
- We had a couple trees come down during the wind storms a few weeks ago. Crews were busy removing them and picking up storm damage from the high winds.

- Crews have also been working on trimming trees off our work orders. Many of these work orders backed up during the Emerald Ash Borer infestation a few years ago but I feel we are making headway and close to being caught up.

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 Ferguson made a Motion to Adjourn. The Motion was seconded by Trustee Ricordati. The Motion was carried by voice vote. The Meeting adjourned at 7:12 pm.

The next Downers Grove Township Board Meeting will be held on May 18, 2023.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lorraine Grimsby, Township Clerk