

MINUTES OF DOWNERS GROVE TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
May 4, 2017

A meeting of the Town Board of Downers Grove Township was held May 4, 2017 at the Downers Grove Township, 4340 Prince Street, Downers Grove, Illinois.

1. *Call to Order:* Supervisor Thoman 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 Trustees Abbate, Boltz, Cuthbert, Grimsby and Supervisor Thoman. A quorum was physically present. Attorney Alongi was present.
3. *Public Comment:* Karol Sole, Westmont, asked when and where the swearing in ceremony would be for newly elected Township officials. Supervisor Thoman said Saturday, May 13, 2017 and that he would have the Clerk post a notice about the swearing in ceremony on the website: www.dgtownship.com. Luke Wilgis, Lisle Township resident, spoke about the protests occurring at the Access Health Center, 1700 75th Street, asked elected officials to do something to help the people who are regularly being harassed as they enter the health clinic.
4. *MINUTES OF Board Meeting from March 16, 2017:* Trustee Abbate made a Motion to accept the March Meeting Minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Cuthbert, all voted aye, motion carried and the minutes were approved.
5. *TRUSTEE Ratification and Approval of Bills and Claims audited on April 20, 2017:* Trustee Abbate made a motion to ratify and approve Bills and Claims audited by the trustees on April 20, 2017, as April 20 meeting had been rescheduled to May 4, 2017, motion seconded by Trustee Cuthbert, all voted aye and motion carried.

General Town Fund	04/01 to 04/21	\$ 38,085.00
General Road Fund	04/19 to 04/19	\$ 32,195.17
General Assistance	03/01 to 03/31	\$ 3,242.64

6. *DIAL-A-RIDE Report:* Supervisor Thoman provided the dial-a-ride program update referencing the 2016 and 2017 year-to-date data provided, and noted that while the cost of a one-way ride went down, ridership has not gone up.
7. *Ralph Hinkle, Community Emergency Response Team ("CERT") Update:* Ralph Hinkle said Milton Township started CERT in 2003 and graduated its first volunteer class in 2004. This is the 5th year he has had the opportunity to report on CERT to Downers Grove Township. In 2012, funding from the State and Federal governments ended. Downers Grove Township joined CERT in 2013. To date 2,500 people have completed disaster response training. There are 1,205 active members. All Townships in DuPage County participate except for

Bloomington Township. Mr. Hinkle delivered Intergovernmental Agreement documents to the Clerk for execution by the Township and Township Road District, with each entity being asked to contribute the amount of \$1,875 to extend their involvement in the CERT program. Thoman invited public comment.

8. Approve Re-appointment of Richard Roderick as Trustee for Golfview Hills Fire Protection District. Trustee Boltz made a motion to approve the reappointment of Richard Roderick as Trustee for a 3-year term expiring May 1, 2020, motion seconded by Trustee Cuthbert, all voted aye, motion carried.
9. A representative from the DuPage Senior Citizens Council with Meals on Wheels information. Libini Borrás, Director, Nutrition Program DuPage Senior Citizens Council said its home delivery meals program is one of 10 programs for seniors in DuPage County. The program delivers hot meals to persons age 60 and older 5 days per week, the meals are nutritious and meet daily allowance requirements. It partners with senior residences and churches in the community. Volunteers are trained to observe and report, to ensure that seniors are O.K. Ralph King, Director of Home Maintenance, works to help keep seniors in their homes by installing or arranging for installation of medical equipment, grab bars, ramps. Most programs are donation based, and volunteers all have background checks.
10. Support for Downers Grove Township seniors who receive Meals on Wheels. Trustee Abbate made a motion to approve \$25,000 to DuPage Senior Citizens Council to be used over the next three years in support of meal program assistance to senior residents of Downers Grove Township. The motion was seconded by Trustee Cuthbert, all voted aye and the motion carried.
11. *Supervisor's Report:*
 - a. Supervisor Thoman thanked Trustee Abbate for her service as Downers Grove Township Trustee for the past two terms (8 years). He thanked Trustee Abbate for being senior Trustee, making motions.
 - b. Supervisor Thoman said he was returning a gavel marked "Concord Case PTA established November 2001" to its rightful owner.
 - c. Supervisor Thoman thanked Clerk Hois for her service as the Town Clerk from 2013-2017, and presented a plaque to her in appreciation.
12. *Old Business:* NONE.
13. *New Business:* Trustee Abbate thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve on the Township Board for the past 8 years Trustee Abbate thanked Clerk Hois for her professionalism, integrity, and hard work serving as Clerk for the Township.

14. *Executive Session:* Supervisor Thoman said going into executive session will not be necessary, as Greg Boltz is qualified to be Assessor and is the obvious choice to be appointed to serve the remainder of the late Theresa Cockrell's term.

15. *Return to Open Session.* NONE.

16. *Motion to Appoint.* Trustee Cuthbert made a motion to appoint Greg Boltz to the position of Township Assessor effective May 15, 2017 to serve the remainder of the current Assessor term to December 31, 2017, motion seconded by Trustee Grimsby. Roll call vote - Trustee Cuthbert: aye, Trustee Boltz: present, Trustee Abbate: abstain, Trustee Grimsby: aye, Supervisor Thoman: aye. The motion carried with 3 of 5 votes in favor of the appointment.

17. *Motion to Adjourn.* Trustee Abbate made a Motion to Adjourn, seconded by Trustee Cuthbert. All voted aye. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Hois
Town Clerk

The next regular Downers Grove Township Board Meeting will be held May 18, 2017, 7:30 p.m.