

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the
Downers Grove Township Board of Trustees
4340 Prince Street, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515
May 20, 2021**

1. Call to Order

Supervisor Coultrap called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

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 in person were Supervisor Coultrap, Trustee Ockrim, Trustee Ricordati and Trustee Stoll. Present via Zoom were Trustee Ferguson.

Elected and Appointed Officials present in person were Allen Alongi, Township Attorney, Clerk Lorraine Grimsby and Assessor Greg Boltz.

Others present via Zoom were Kelli Dunn, Mary Lemanski, Karol Sole and John.

4. Motion to Conduct the May Board of Trustee Meeting Electronically

A Motion was made by Trustee Ockrim to conduct the May Board of Trustee Meeting Electronically, Trustee Ricordati seconded the Motion.

Roll Call vote: Trustee Ockrim "Aye", Trustee Ricordati "Aye", Trustee Ferguson "Aye", Trustee Stoll "Aye", and Supervisor Coultrap "Aye". Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 0. Motion carried.

5. Public Comment

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

Kelli Dunn, Willowbrook resident, asked the Board to please clean and repair along Clarendon Hills Rd, South of 91st Street. Ms. Dunn stated that some brush has been cleared. Ms. Dunn also stated that there is Grant money available to redo Clarendon Hills Rd but only to 91st St and she feels S. of Clarendon Hills Rd has not been properly maintained.

Karol Sole remarked that she could not find the Swearing In Ceremony of Elected Officials on the website. Ms. Sole asked that Supervisor Coultrap provide the following information, "who swore the new members in, how many people attended, how long was the event and have the new Board members actually been sworn in?"

Mary Lemanski stated that in 2018 Governor Rauner's Executive Order was signed regarding eliminating nepotism in government hiring and she urges the Township to do the same.

Supervisor Coultrap ended the Public Comment portion of the Meeting.

6. Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting from April 15, 2021 As Presented

Trustee Ricordati made a Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting from April 15, 2021, as Presented. The Motion was seconded by Trustee Stoll. There was no Trustee discussion.

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

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

General Town Fund	05/14/2021 to 05/14/2021	\$119,127.62
General Road Fund	05/14/2021 to 05/14/2021	\$ 48,930.41
Road & Bridge Insurance	05/14/2021 to 05/14/2021	\$ 64,097.41
General Assistance	03/01/2021 to 03/31/21	\$ 350.00
General Assistance	04/01/2021 to 04/30/2021	\$ 350.00

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Roll Call vote: Trustee Ferguson, "Abstain", Trustee Ockrim "Aye", Trustee Ricordati "Aye", Trustee Stoll "Aye", Supervisor Coultrap, "Aye". Ayes, 4, Nays, 0, Abstain, 1, Absent, 0. Motion Carried.

8. Motion to Approve Resolution 2021-052021 Notice of Appointment of Authorized Agent for IMRF.

Trustee Ferguson made a Motion to Approve Resolution 2021-052120 Notice of Appointment of Authorized Agent for IMRF. The motion was seconded by Trustee Ockrim. Clerk Grimsby read the Resolution aloud.

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

9. Motion to Approve Resolution 2021-052021-1 Designating Authorized Banking Facilities for Township Fund.

Trustee Ockrim made a Motion to Approve Resolution 2021-052120-1 Designating Authorized Banking Facilities for Township Fund. The motion was seconded by Trustee Ricordati. Clerk Grimsby read the Resolution aloud.

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

10. Supervisor's Report

Supervisor Coultrap stated that the Governor has not fully opened everything yet and the date of June 11th has been mentioned; this will be discussed further. Trustee Ricordati stated that he is in favor of open meetings.

11. Old Business

No Old Business was brought forward.

12. New Business

Attorney Alongi announced that he has received a communication from the DuPage State's Attorney, Bob Berlin. As you all know, there was a spirited discussion of the Downers Grove Township budgeting process involving Assessor Boltz's budget on February 25, 2021. At that time, Attorney Alongi advised the Board that they should look to ways of doing it with more transparency and appropriately bring Assessor Boltz's budget before the Board. Attorney Alongi's request was not approved, and the Board

did vote to approve a budget tendered by Supervisor Thoman. The State's Attorney was asked to investigate by a third party and they rendered a letter and it announces that although the Township Board did not technically commit an Open Meetings Act violation, there were central issues regarding the Township Code, the Property Tax Code and Municipal Budget Law. It asked that this Board consider this at the next Board meeting.

Supervisor Coultrap stated this item will be placed on the June 2021 agenda.

Trustee Ricordati asked the Board to consider holding future meetings at 7 PM. This will be discussed further next month.

13. Executive Session

Board did not go into Executive Session

14 & 15. Return to Open Session and Closed Session Report.

No Executive Session report.

16. 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 Stoll.

Roll call vote: Trustee Ferguson, "Aye", Trustee Ockrim, "Aye", Trustee Ricordati, "Aye", Trustee Stoll, "Aye", Supervisor Coultrap, "Aye". Ayes, 5, Nay, 0, Absent, 0. Motion Carried. Meeting Adjourned at 7:50 PM

The next regular Downers Grove Township Board of Trustees Meeting will be held on Thursday, July 17, 2021 at 7:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lorraine Grimsby, Clerk