

Regular Meeting minutes of the
Downers Grove Township Board
4340 Prince St, Downers Grove, IL
August 15, 2019

Regular Board Meeting of the Supervisor and Board of Trustees of Downers Grove Township held on Thursday, August 15, 2019, 7:30 PM at 4340 Prince Street, Downers Grove, Illinois.

1. Call to Order:

Supervisor Thoman called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

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

3. Roll Call:

Clerk Grimsby called the roll. Present were Trustee Karen Kelly, Trustee David Van Der Laan and Supervisor Mark Thoman. A quorum was physically present.

Absent at roll call: Trustee Abby Ferguson and Trustee Donner.

Elected and Appointed Officials present: Clerk Lorraine Grimsby and Attorney Allan Alongi.

Staff and others present: One staff member, Mr. Ed Kalina, Engineering Solutions Team and residents, Karol Sole and Mimi Raffenetti.

4. Motion to Teleconference Trustee Donner and Trustee Ferguson into the meeting.

Supervisor Thoman made the motion to teleconference Trustee Donner and Trustee Ferguson into the meeting. This is a voice vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Ferguson and Trustee Donner confirmed that they were online and present.

5. Public Comment:

Supervisor Thoman asked if there was anyone in the audience who had comments to make. There was no response.

6. Motion to Approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 18, 2019.

Clerk Grimsby presented the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 18, 2019 for approval. A motion was made by Trustee Kelly to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 18, 2019 as presented with a second by Trustee Van Der Laan. Motion carried by voice vote.

7. Trustee Audit and Approval of Bills and Claims.

General Town Fund	8/15 to /15/19	\$ 28,916.26
General Road Fund	8/15 to 8/15/19	\$ 45,203.84
General Assistance	7/01 to 7/31/19	\$ 2,701.85

Trustee Van Der Laan made a motion to approve the Bills and Claims, motion seconded by Trustee Kelly. Motion carried by voice vote. Trustee Donner abstained.

8. Motion to Approve Re-appointing Trustee Erik Hoevke to the Golfview Hills Fire Protection District for a Three-Year Term.

A motion was made by Trustee Van Der Laan to approve a Resolution appointing Erik Hoveke to the Golfview Hills Fire Protection District, seconded by Trustee Kelly.

Roll call vote: Trustee Kelly – aye; Trustee Van Der Laan -aye; Supervisor Thoman – aye, Trustee Ferguson – aye; Trustee Donner – aye. Motion passed. (5-0)

9. Motion to Approve Raising the Mowing Fee for Neglected Lawns from \$100 to \$300. (Roll Call Vote)

A motion was made by Trustee Van Der Laan to Approve Raising the Mowing Fee for Neglected Lawns from \$100 to \$300, seconded by Trustee Kelly.

Supervisor Thoman stated that this does include a provision to add the statutorily applicable interest rates to the fines if liens are needed to be filed on the property.

Roll call vote: Trustee Kelly – aye; Trustee Van Der Laan -aye; Supervisor Thoman – aye, Trustee Ferguson – aye; Trustee Donner – aye. Motion passed. (5-0)

10. Motion to Approve RDA with Village of Downers Grove.

A motion was made by Trustee Kelly to Approve RDA with Village of Downers Grove, seconded by Trustee Van Der.

Supervisor Thoman stated that the redevelopment agreement includes TIF assistance to help pay for compensatory storage that will be built into the project. We are very pleased that the Village of Downers Grove has been very forward looking for use of tax monies to help a public project.

Roll call vote: Trustee Kelly – aye; Trustee Van Der Laan -aye; Supervisor Thoman – aye, Trustee Ferguson – aye; Trustee Donner – aye. Motion passed. (5-0)

Trustee Ferguson thanked Supervisor Thoman for his time spent working with the Village of Downers Grove on this project.

11. Motion to Approve Professional Services Contract with Team Engineering Solutions for Phase Two Project Consulting, Engineering and Design. (Roll Call Vote)

A motion was made by Trustee Van Der Laan to Approve Professional Services Contract

with Engineering Solutions Team for Phase Two Project Consulting, Engineering and Design, seconded by Trustee Kelly.

As referenced on the agenda, this is a Phase Two professional services contract not to exceed \$150,000. It does not require going out to bid. Engineering Solutions Team will complete Phase Two by December 31, 2019, ending with proposal specs, design and engineering specifications, and architectural design drawings for a construction project that can be put out to bid January 2, 2020. Funding is in the current budget CPF Line item 403 Building Projects.

Supervisor Thoman stated that Mr. Ed Kalina from Engineering Solutions Team was present and available for any questions.

Roll call vote: Trustee Kelly – aye; Trustee Van Der Laan -aye; Supervisor Thoman – aye, Trustee Ferguson – aye; Trustee Donner – aye. Motion passed. (5-0)

12. Supervisor's Report.

Supervisor Thoman stated that the RDA is beneficial for the Township and taxpayers. It brings taxpayer monies back to the taxpayers for a taxpayer funded project. The RDA will come before the Downers Grove Council in September.

13. Old Business.

No Old Business was brought forward.

14. New Business

Trustee Kelly stated on September 19, 2019 there will be a Senior Survival Session on “Can You Hear Me Know” on hearing loss. The Friends for Downers Grove Township Seniors (FFDGTS) 501c3, not-for-profit, will host a fundraiser at Kelsey’s Resale Boutique, 239 W. Ogden, Downers Grove, for the entire month of August. All proceeds (minus Kelsey’s Resale expenses) will be donated to FFDGTS. Everyone is encouraged to stop by and make a purchase. Our Senior Car Fit Checkup and Safety Clinic will be held on September 28, 2019, 8:00 AM – 10:30 AM at the Westmont Fire Station. The FFDGTS 2nd Annual October Fest Fundraiser will be held on Thursday, October 3, 2019, 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM at Oak Trace Senior Living. Tickets can be purchased at: <https://tinyurl.com/y20mx8r6>.

15. Motion to Adjourn

There being no further business to come before this Board, Supervisor Thoman asked for a Motion to Adjourn. At 7:45 PM a Motion to Adjourn was made by Trustee Van Der Laan, seconded by Trustee Kelly. Motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lorraine Grimsby, Clerk