# Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Downers Grove Township Board of Trustees 4341 Saratoga Street, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515 August 17, 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 Ferguson, Trustee Ockrim and Trustee McCloy.

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

Others present: Ms. Sole.

#### 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. <u>Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting from July 20, 2023, as Presented</u>

Trustee Ockrim made a Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting from July 20, 2023 as Presented.

The Motion was seconded by Trustee Ricordati. There was no Trustee discussion.

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

# 6. <u>Motion to Approve the Trustee Audit and Approval of Bills and Claims, as Presented</u>

General Town Fund8/01/2023 to 87/31/2023\$ 30,859.68General Road Fund8/01/2023 to 8/31/2023\$132,753.44

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

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Ricordati, "Aye", Trustee Ockrim "Aye", Trustee McCloy "Aye", Trustee Ferguson "Abstain" and Supervisor Coultrap, "Aye". Ayes-4. Abstain-1. Motion carried.

#### **7.** Supervisor's Report

- Supervisor Coultrap provided the following report on activities, everyone must register:
- On Thursday, August 3, 2023, when the Secretary of State Mobile Unit was at Downers Grove, 62 residents were served.

- Medical Lending Closet: Donations are being made and there has been several seniors that have been helped. Medical Lending Closet: our Senior Center now offers medical equipment for a 90-day loan period at no cost to you. Call for an appointment: 630-719-6610
- In June, there were slightly less than 1,000 telephone calls assisting our residents. In August, there were 600-700 telephone calls. Some calls were for Notary Services and 600 calls for Emergency Assistance.
- Community Dining menu and many other activities can be found online at: dgtownship.com. Follow us on Facebook.
- For classes and events at the Township Senior Center, please register at:

Register at: <a href="mailto:humanservices@dgtownship.com">humanservices@dgtownship.com</a> or 630-719-6670

# 10. <u>Assessor's Report</u>

No report.

## 11. Highway Commission Report

In the past month the Highway Department has been working on the following projects:

- Our tree crew has been working on cutting back right of ways on the south Frontage Rd between Clarendon Hills Rd and Rt 83, on Jackson St at 97th St, South Countyline Rd, and 80th St in Bruce Lake subdivision and in Timberlake North subdivision.
- Last month I reported a sink hole in Bruce Lake subdivision that was called in by one of our residents. We were able to determine that the bottom of the 48-inch pipe was rusted out and we replaced it with a new one. We also redid the French drain just West of the pipe. This should help with the drainage along 80th St.
- Our concrete contractor just finished our sidewalk and curb repair and replacement program for this year. We budgeted 100 thousand dollars for this project and came in just under that amount.
- Concrete repairs were done in the following subdivisions:

**Golfview Hills** 

Landsfield

Lake in the woods

Wood creek Ct

Timberlake North

Clarendon Heights

Gingerbread Creek

Normandee Ct

Secret Forest

Farmingdale North

And Farmingdale South.

• We just finished up with this year's crack filling program.

Our contractor crack filled some of the roads in the following subdivisions:

Palisades

The Gardens

Farmingdale South

Pleasantdale

And Rosehill.

Crack filling is one of the most important things we can do to preserve our roads. Crack fill seals the cracks in the pavement and keeps water from reaching the roadbed and freezing, then causing potholes to form.

• We spent another week with our Gradall contractor and installed French drains on Thurlow Ave at 89th S and, we replaced a culvert and ditched along 89th St. We cut a ditch on 97th St. at Madison St. to relieve standing water on the edge of the road. On Tennessee Ave south of 56th St. We replaced

two culverts and reset the grade in the ditch, and on Virginia Ave we cleaned out the ditch and installed a French drain.

#### 11. Old Business

There was no old business presented.

## 12. New Business

There was no new business presented.

# 13. <u>Motion to Move to Executive Session pursuant to Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/(c)(11)</u> to discuss possible or pending litigation.

At 7:20 PM, Trustee Ricordati made a Motion to move to Executive Session pursuant to Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/(c)(3). The Motion was supported by Trustee Ockrim.

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

### 14. Motion to Return to Open Session

At 7: 49 PM, Trustee Ricordati made a Motion to return to the Board meeting. The Motion was supported by Trustee Ockrim.

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

# 15. <u>Closed Session Report</u>

Supervisor Coultrap stated that there was no report.

## 16. 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 Ricordati. The Motion was carried by voice vote. The Meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Lorraine Grimsby, Township Clerk