

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the
Downers Grove Township Board of Trustees
4340 Prince Street, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515
August 19, 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 were Supervisor Coultrap, Trustee Ferguson, Trustee Ockrim, Trustee Ricordati and Trustee Stoll.

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

Others present were Mary Lemanski.

4. Public Comment

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

Ms. 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.

John Aguzino, President, FISH Food Pantry, stated approximately 110 families are being fed each week. FISH is open Tuesdays 4-6 PM and Fridays 9:30 – 11:30 AM.. John Aguino stated that food items are needed and asked for assistance. Donations are accepted on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

With no further comments, Supervisor Coultrap ended the Public Comment portion of the Meeting.

5. Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting from July 15, 2021 As Presented

Trustee Ferguson made a Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting from July 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 Stoll, "Aye", Trustee Ricordati, "Abstain" and Supervisor Coultrap, "Aye". Ayes- 4, Nay - 0, Abstain - 1. Motion Carried.

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

General Town Fund	07/01/2021 to 07/31/2021	\$87,688.09
General Road Fund	07/01/2021 to 07/31/2021	\$85,484.24

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

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

7. Motion to Approve Resolution 2021-081921 Notice of Appointment of Authorized Agent for IMRF.

Trustee Ferguson made a Motion to Approve Resolution 2021-081921 Notice of Appointment of Authorized Agent for IMRF. The Motion was seconded by Trustee Stoll.

Supervisor Coultrap stated that this resolution would authorize Office Manager, Tammie Svestka, with the authority to call IMRF and handle any daily issues.

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

8. Motion to Approve selling used office furniture on govdeals.com.

Trustee Ferguson made a Motion to Approve selling used office furniture on govdeals.com. The Motion was seconded by Trustee Stoll.

Supervisor Coultrap stated used office chairs and desks will be posted for sale.

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

9. Motion to Approve Amended General Fund Budget for FY 21-22 as Presented.

Trustee Stoll made a Motion to Approve Amended General Fund Budget for FY 21-22. The Motion was seconded by Trustee Ricordati.

With no further discussion from the Trustees, Supervisor Coultrap called for a vote.

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

10. Supervisor's Report

On behalf of the Board, Supervisor Coultrap thanked FISH for everything that they do to provide for our residents.

Senior Meals are also being distributed to seniors. Recipients must be at least 60 years old.

Senator Curran will be hosting a Secretary of State Mobile Unit at Downers Grove Township on Wednesday, August 25, 2021 from 10 AM – 2 PM. Real ID due date has been moved to 2023 and the end of 2021 for expired driver licenses.

11. Assessor Report

No report provided.

12. Highway Commissioner Report

Highway Commissioner Anderson could not make the meeting but provided the following report: We picked up downed and hanging limbs from wind damage last week. Several intersections in the Downers Grove Gardens and in Timberlake South subdivisions were cut back because of visibility Issues. Several dead trees have been removed in Timberlake South. Several days were spent cold patching potholes throughout the Township. We mowed the Township right of ways in our unincorporated areas. We spent a week working with our contractor, Western Gradall, ditching in the southern part of the township. We were invited and participated in Westmont's "Municipal Night" car show in Westmont. We brought one of our two new Peterbuilt 5-ton dump trucks which we ordered in 2020 and received in June. Work is continuing on the Clarendon Hills Road project. Our contractor has ground or

replaced driveway approaches to the driveways along the section of Clarendon Hills Road being paved. Some background information regarding this project: we worked for 11 years to obtain a federal grant for the paving of Clarendon Hills Road from 79th St. to 91st St. Last year we were notified that we would be getting the grant which went to bid in November and was awarded to K-5 as low bidder. Under the provisions of the grant, we will be paying one-third of the project and the Feds will be taking care of the other two-thirds. We have been continuing our cut-back on south Clarendon Hills Road, as well as other areas ahead of our regular paving program. We are working with Morris Engineering and DuPage County to get a bid date for this year's paving program. The new speed limit is 25 mph and radar-enforced signs were replaced at the entrances to the Brookeridge subdivision as requested by their homeowners association to help reduce speeding by drivers cutting through Brookeridge to avoid traffic on Lemont and Plainfield Roads as well as the school at Fairmount Ave.

13. Old Business

No Old Business was brought forward.

14. New Business

No New Business was brought forward.

15. Motion to Move to Executive Session pursuant to Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21) (Roll Call) Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06.

No Executive Session required this meeting.

16. Motion to Return to Open Session.

No Executive Session.

17. Closed Session Report in Open Meeting.

No Executive Session.

18. 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 carried by voice vote. Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 PM.

The next regular Downers Grove Township Board Meeting will be held on **Thursday, September 16, 2021.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Lorraine Grimsby, Clerk