

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of  
Downers Grove Township Board of Trustees  
4340 Prince Street, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515  
October 21, 2021**

**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**

Deputy Clerk Mistretta called the roll. Present were Supervisor Coultrap, Trustee Ferguson, Trustee Ockrim, Trustee Ricordati and Trustee Stoll.

Elected and Appointed Officials present were Allen Alongi, Township Attorney, and Susan R. Mistretta, Deputy Clerk.

Others present were Ms. Karol Sole, Mike Heinz, Megan Heinz, Jim McCarthy, Jeff Grant and Gina Ziewardi.

**4. Public Comment**

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

Ms. Sole remarked that there were no Agendas or Board packets available for guests. (Deputy Clerk Mistretta apologized for the oversight on her part and immediately distributed Agendas to all guests present.) She further stated that several local Boards make their Board packets available ahead of the meeting time and encouraged this Board to do the same.

Ms. Lemanski emailed a comment. Supervisor Coultrap inadvertently overlooked reading the comment. Comment emailed: 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.

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 September 16, 2021, as Presented**

Trustee Ferguson made a Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting from September 16, 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, "Aye", and Supervisor Coultrap, "Aye". Ayes-5, Nay-0. Motion Carried.

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

General Town Fund	10/01/2021 to 10/31/2021	\$ 84,721.36
General Road Fund	10/01/2021 to 10/31/2021	510,636.09

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

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

**7. Motion to Approve Resolution 2021-1021 Reappointing James P. McCarthy as President for Golfview Hills Fire Protection District**

Deputy Clerk Mistretta read the Resolution. Trustee Ferguson made a Motion to Approve Resolution 2021-1021 Reappointing James P. McCarthy as President for Golfview Hills Fire Protection District. The Motion was seconded by Trustee Ricordati. There was no Trustee discussion.

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

**8. Prairie Garden Presentation by Jeff Grant of Downers Grove North High School**

Jeff Grant, a teacher at Downers Grove North High School, gave an update on the work done by students at the Prairie Garden located at the Township Center. The update can be viewed on the recording of the meeting located at dgtownship.com. Mr. Grant ended his update with his gratitude to Downers Grove Township for the opportunity.

**9. Supervisor's Report**

Supervisor Coultrap stated that the Township was spearheading a clean-up at Oak Hill and Oak Crest Cemeteries on October 16 and October 23. Boy Scout Troop #99 of Downers Grove will also be present to assist.

Supervisor Coultrap said he was happy to announce that Peoples Resource Center has begun Computers for Seniors classes at the Township Center. There was also a ceramics class.

Finally, Supervisor Coultrap informed everyone that FFDGTS' annual fundraiser will be held at the Township Center on Thursday, October 28, 2021, from 5:30pm to 7:30pm.

**10. Assessor's Report**

There was no Assessor's Report.

**11. Highway Commission Report**

Although he was not present at the meeting, Highway Commissioner Andy Anderson provided the following report, which was read at the meeting by Supervisor Coultrap:

"In the last month, the Highway Department has been working on the following projects: K-5, our paving contractor for the Clarendon Hills Road project, finished the paving of Clarendon Hills Road and followed up with striping the next day.

We continued our fall brush pick-up in Sections 2, 3 and 4.

We trimmed several trees on our trim list in the Hinswood and Farmingdale North subdivisions. Several rows cut-backs were also done ahead of our Township paving project.

We worked with our Gradall operator for the last week this year. Culverts were replaced and ditching, as well as gradall work and restoration were done in the Woman's and Riverview subdivisions, The Gardens and Clarendon Hills Road.

Several culverts were replaced ahead of our paving project in Babson Park. We also replaced culverts in the Tri-State and Timberlake subdivisions and The Gardens."

**12. Old Business**

There was no old business presented.

**13. New Business**

There was no new business presented.

**14. 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 motion was made to go into Executive Session.

**15. Motion to Return to Open Session**

No Executive Session.

**16. Closed Session Report in Open Meeting**

No Executive Session.

**17. Motion to Adjourn**

There being no further business to come before this Board, Supervisor Coultrap called for a Motion to Adjourn. Trustee Ricordati made a Motion to Adjourn. The Motion was seconded by Trustee Ockrim. The Motion was carried by voice vote. The Meeting adjourned at 7:31pm.

The next regular Downers Grove Township Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 18, 2021, at 7:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Susan R. Mistretta, Deputy Township Clerk