

MINUTES OF THE DORR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
December 12, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.
Dorr Township Office
1039 Lake Ave, Woodstock, IL 60098

Present: Supervisor Sue Brokaw; Clerk Brenda Stack; Highway Commissioner John Fuller; Assessor Veronica Myers; Trustee Jon Sheahan; Trustee Richard Hoyt; Trustee Bryson Calvin, Trustee Chris Cantwell.

Public present: None

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Brokaw at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

1. Roll Call of Town Board Members. No public present.

2. Public Comments: None.

3. Approval of Minutes of the November 9, 2017 meeting. Clerk Brenda Stack advises two (2) corrections to Minutes: 9. 20128 McRide corrected to 2018 McRide; 11. Adjournment time corrected from 7:15 p.m. to 7:33 p.m.

Motion by Trustee Sheahan to approve the Minutes of the November 9, 2017 meeting of the Board of Directors, as amended. Motion seconded by Trustee Cantwell. Motion approved unanimously.

4. Approval of Claims for the period November 10, 2017 to December 12, 2017:

TF	\$40,470.28	GA	\$ 3,687.35
DRD	\$ 5,880.55	PHR	\$74,812.77

Motion by Trustee Sheahan to approve the claims for the period November 10, 2017 to December 12, 2017. Motion seconded by Trustee Cantwell. Board polled; motion approved unanimously.

General Assistance case report previously provided for review.

5. Adoption of revised 2017 General Assistance Handbook

Supervisor Brokaw advises she attended training for the new General Assistance Handbook, which we had to purchase. Does not require Board approval; Supervisor Brokaw is adopting the newly revised handbook.

6. Adoption of General Assistance payment level as \$250.00

Supervisor Brokaw advises payment level has been \$245.00; increasing slightly to \$250.00.

7. Christmas Clearing House donation

Recent past yearly donation has been \$2,000.00. Suggested donation of \$2,500.00 this year, as need and expenses are always increasing. Grant line item contains \$3,000.00. Discussion of program and assistance provided.

Motion by Trustee Sheahan to donate \$3,000.00 to Christmas Clearing House. Motion seconded by Supervisor Brokaw. Board polled; motion approved unanimously.

8. Reports:

Supervisor -

Received phone call from someone at the County regarding last month's Resolution passed concerning Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan. Since we did not participate, we were not required to pass Resolution; however, they will keep the resolution on file. Certified letters received by Board members regarding annexation in Ridgefield; property surrounding is Crystal Lake. McHenry County Conservation District 2018 Conservation Congress on February 10, 2018; Rick Hoyt is unable to attend. If anyone is interested, need to reply by December 20th. Illinois Department of Transportation bike path - no new developments or information.

Assessor - Residential Sales Entered November 10, 2017 - December 11, 2017 provided for review. Annual Assessment Meeting held on December 5, 2017. Discussion on proceeding in the coming year, and updates on any statutory changes. Brief review of meeting discussions. Publication expense a concern. Senior assessment freeze, maximum household income increasing from \$55,000.00 to \$65,000.00 effective in 2018. Flooding tax credit being instituted, up to \$750.00, County Assessor will administrate this program. Change possible to add another homestead exemption based on income. Also, back of assessment notice was discussed, which contains inaccurate information used to assist in calculations; would like to remove that information.

Highway Commissioner - Snow yesterday; went pretty well. Three-quarters of salt delivered already. Starting maintenance on summer equipment. Organizing other inventory. Rick Hoyt asks about decision on grader - Highway Commissioner Fuller advises yes, it needs to go, perhaps for Spring discussion.

Clerk - Attended Annual TOI Conference November 12-14, 2017 in Springfield. Always something new to learn, although some sessions are often repeated to give new attendees an opportunity to participate. Some items of interest discussed at sessions:

Community Room Policy - Supervisor Brokaw advises we have a lease agreement. Some groups have expressed interest, possibly long term. We may want to visit developing policy.

Social Media Policy - Facebook and other media - this was discussed a year or so ago. Keep in mind everything posted is a public record and would be subject to FOIA.

Public Comments item on Agenda suggested placed at end of Agenda instead of beginning, to allow public attendees to discuss closer to end of meeting. Supervisor Brokaw advises we do have a public comment policy in place.

Signed copy of Minutes - were previously signed on a limited basis. Necessity not required.

Trustees -

Trustee Cantwell advises intersection of Lake Shore Drive and Route 14, since traffic lights installed and road widening, lighting no longer there. Glare from traffic does create a level of danger, particularly on the bike path. Information sent to City of Woodstock Planning and Development.

Trustee Cantwell advises local Boy Scout Troop has several Eagle Scouts that will be looking to do Eagle Scout projects and may request donation assistance from local entities.

9. Executive Session - **Motion by Supervisor Brokaw to move to Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. Motion seconded by Trustee Cantwell. Motion approved unanimously.**

10. New Business -

Abatement of taxes; requested examples; we need to pass Resolution, which must be sent to County by March 15th.

11. Future Agenda Items:

None.

12. Motion to adjourn.

Motion by Trustee Cantwell to adjourn; motion seconded by Trustee Sheahan. Motion approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.,
Dorr Township Office, 1039 Lake Avenue, Woodstock, Illinois 60098

Submitted by Brenda Stack, Dorr Township Clerk