

MINUTES OF THE DORR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
August 13, 2019 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.

Absent: Trustee Bryson Calvin; Trustee Chris Cantwell.

Public present: Joseph Monack.

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

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

1. Roll Call of Town Board Members present as listed above. Joseph Monack acknowledged.

2. Public Comments: Joseph Monack addresses the recently enacted H.B. 348 Township Consolidation. He states he is somewhat ambivalent, stating he can see the pros and cons. Addresses the recent poll in the Northwest Herald, August 11, 2019 edition showing: 40% in favor; 30% No; 30% if it saves money. Not really a clear cut answer. Mr. Monack poses three (3) questions: 1) If the township board will bring a referendum or will voters: 2) General comments on the issue; and 3) If we do have a referendum, would we feel comfortable having some type of forum, inviting township officials, County Board chairman, Representative Reick and others, to educate voters. Supervisor Brokaw states that we have talked about H.B. 348 before, and at this point we are not sure where it will go; most likely would be brought up by the voters. Trustee Sheahan advises a petition with the requisite signatures is required to put the matter on the ballot. There are a lot of unanswered questions. Supervisor Brokaw states it is being called consolidation, but is more likely intended to eliminate township government. Trustee Sheahan states that throughout this process no one has been able to explain how this will save money. Mr. Monack asks if Dorr Township would host some kind of forum should the need arise, and the answer is a resounding yes. Trustee Sheahan advises we would get as much information out as we could on the benefits of township government. Thank you to Mr. Monack for his participation.

3. Approval of Minutes of the July 9, 2019 Regular Board meeting.

Correction to paragraph 4: "April, May and June" replaced with "March, April and May". Trustee Sheahan advises at the top of the first page, the word Minutes contains an extra "M".

**Motion by Trustee Hoyt to approve the Minutes of the July 9, 2019 meeting of the Board of Directors, as amended. Motion seconded by Trustee Sheahan. Motion approved unanimously.**

4. Approval of Claims for period July 10, 2019 to August 13, 2019:

TF	\$57,019.30	GA	\$ 4,549.04
DRD	\$96,470.56	PHR	\$21,243.64

**Motion by Trustee Sheahan to approve the claims for the period of July 10, 2019 to August 13, 2019. Motion seconded by Trustee Hoyt.**

**Discussion:** Trustee Hoyt asks about Seneca Township item; Supervisor Brokaw advises we have an Intergovernmental Agreement with Seneca Township to do their General Assistance; three (3) cases since last year; they paid and their check was deposited. Trustee Hoyt inquires about a client where a T-Mobile bill was paid; Supervisor Brokaw advises that is an allowable expense, as the person has medical issues and requires a phone. **Board polled; motion approved unanimously.**

General Assistance July case report (copies provided for review). Trustee Sheahan notes marked increase in expenses; Supervisor Brokaw advises that is due to summer and utility shutoffs.

5. Davis Road Property

Supervisor Brokaw advises the next step is to get an appraisal done by our own appraiser. Received two (2) quotes - Brad Waddell, MGW Appraisal Services, for \$800.00 and can be completed within four (4) weeks; other appraisal from Lee Ovington, Ovington Appraisal Service for \$1,000.00. Highway Commissioner Fuller advises he spoke with the City of Woodstock official, who advised he did have knowledge of wetlands. Supervisor Brokaw advises she contacted three (3) engineering firms regarding wetlands screening and delineation of wetlands: H. R. Green, HLR, and Baxter Woodman. Only HLR got back to her, with a quote of \$3,200.00 for wetlands screening and delineation. Supervisor Brokaw spoke with Lisa Haderlein, Director of The Land Conservancy, who advised that it would be wise to obtain that report.

**Motion by Trustee Sheahan to approve Brad Waddell of MGW Appraisal Services to conduct appraisal at a fee of \$800.00. Motion seconded by Supervisor Brokaw. Board polled; motion approved unanimously.**

**Motion by Supervisor Brokaw to approve the engineering study, based on the outcome of the appraisal, by HLR in an amount not to exceed \$3,200.00, if needed. Motion seconded by Trustee Sheahan. Board polled; motion approved unanimously.**

6. Legislative Updates

H.B. 348 previously discussed. Targeted mostly McHenry County, but Lake is also included with Road Districts; Supervisor Brokaw asks if its such a good thing for Illinois, why isn't every township in Illinois included?

7. Reports:

**Supervisor** - Audit Report received; will be published in newspaper and thereafter filed with the Comptroller.

Shred Event - September 7, 9:00a.m. - Noon. Preparing ad to run in Woodstock Independent twice. Supervisor Brokaw is asking for volunteers for assistance.

Rental Agreement revisions - Due to recent problems (last group on a Saturday evening did not receive their deposit back; left a large mess, used other room, and broke vacuum cleaner. Because of such issues, we needed to revise our rental agreement. Limit to five (5) hours and 3 hours for setup/cleanup. Charge of \$50.00 per hour past limit for township residents; \$75.00 per hour for non-residents. Alcohol prohibited. Security - for the safety of our guests, the building is under surveillance.

TOI Annual Education Conference, Springfield, IL - Please make sure to sign up with Sue if you are interested in attending; space is limited.

Roof Repairs - Metal Master wanted a \$560.00 fee to do a wetness test; Sue said no. WBR Roofing out of Wauconda came out to assess, and did some minor patching and sent us a bill. Their quote is \$2,660.00, which was accepted, for repair lining for the roof into the gutter to address leaks.

**Assessor** - Residential Sales Entered July 10, 2019 - August 13, 2019 report provided for review. County is almost done processing our assessments; August 21<sup>st</sup> will be published; Notices out August 20<sup>th</sup>; deadline to protest September 20, 2019. Board of Review Chairman was invited to discuss comparable grid. Explanation of process. Concern that we need a countywide model so we are uniform.

**Highway Commissioner** - Road paving done and looks good. Mowing all done. Road striping done; used McHenry Township this year instead of the County because of issues last year. Boom mower working well. New truck delivered.

**Clerk** - Letter received from Representative Steve Reick concerning Motor Fuel Tax (S.B. 1939; intention of improving infrastructure.)

**Trustees** - No report.

8. Executive Session - **Motion by Supervisor Brokaw to enter Executive Session. Motion seconded by Trustee Sheahan. Motion approved unanimously.**

Return to Regular session.

9. New Business - None.

10. Future Agenda Items:

Davis Road Property

11. Motion to adjourn.

**Motion by Trustee Hoyt to adjourn; motion seconded by Supervisor Brokaw. Motion approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.**

**NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.**  
Dorr Township Office, 1039 Lake Avenue, Woodstock

TOI Education Conference, Springfield, Illinois November 10-12, 2019

Submitted by Brenda Stack, Dorr Township Clerk