# MINUTES OF THE DORR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING September 10, 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; Trustee Cantwell.

Absent: Trustee Bryson Calvin.

Public present: Ernie Hagenow; Elaine Ramesh.

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. Public present as noted above.

### 2. Public Comments:

Ernie Hagenow, 5907 Ironwood Dr., Crystal Lake, IL states he has questions about the Davis Road property and would like an update. notes in previous Minutes reference is made to acquiring an appraisal, and asks if same is available. Supervisor Brokaw advises that the appraisal was ordered and received by email at 1:48 p.m. today. It has been forwarded to Board members via email and will be the topic of discussion under Executive Session at this meeting; discussion will be confidential until the Board has time to discuss and determine what action may be necessary, and will be used during possible negotiations with the owners. Mr. Hagenow asks about reference to a wetlands screening and delineation of wetlands and would like to have specifics. Supervisor Brokaw advises that it has not been ordered, pending outcome of the results of the appraisal, as we would not want to spend money on the engineering study without the appraisal information prior. Mr. Hagenow then asks about the Land Conservancy and if the possible costs of their involvement have been determined. Supervisor Brokaw advises we have no more information on that; Mr. Hagenow asks when we might have that information, and Supervisor Brokaw advises it would be down the road some time, probably after purchase of the property, pursuing grants or other ways to fund that is a possibility. Mr. Hagenow infers that what the Board is now discussing seems to differ from what was said at the Special Meeting, stating that the township attorney (at the Special Meeting) inferred that the contract would be the next step, and has anything gone forward in that regard? Supervisor Brokaw advises that we are waiting on the appraisal - there can't be a contract before the appraisal has been reviewed and discussed; contract depends on the property appraising at or above what we propose to pay for obvious reasons. We would review the appraisal and then submit an offer, depending on

outcome of discussion and appraisal. Mr. Hagenow asks what is our next step? Supervisor Brokaw advises that, again, depending on the appraisal, then probably preparation of a contract and negotiations on the contract with the owner. Mr. Hagenow asks what any contingencies would be - wouldn't there need to be contingencies. Clerk Stack advises that there can't be any contingencies without a contract. Trustee Cantwell reiterates that there is no contract, so there are no contingencies. Supervisor Brokaw advises that what we have now is a Letter of Intent, based on the approval of the electors at the Special Meeting; no contract exists. Mr. Hagenow asks Highway Commissioner Fuller if the intended or proposed uses for the property have been determined, as has been stated in previous Minutes. Highway Commissioner states that he is hammering out the details of possible uses. Mr. Hagenow asks what type of information has been obtained? Highway Commissioner Fuller advises he won't know the uses until the property is purchased. Mr. Hagenow asks wouldn't you want to figure out that information before the purchase - what if you can't use the property for what is proposed, and now you have purchased the property for what purpose? Clerk Stack notes time limit is placed on public comment; Supervisor Brokaw asks Mr. Hagenow to perhaps submit his questions in writing and we can then reply. Mr. Hagenow continues, asking about tire recycling and mulch and how will we facilitate these uses. Highway Commissioner Fuller states metal and tires are contemplated. Supervisor Brokaw advises that item #5 on the meeting Agenda is the Davis Road Property, and perhaps more information will be available under that item.

3. Approval of Minutes of the August 13, 2019 Regular Board meeting.

Motion by Trustee Sheahan to approve the Minutes of the August 13, 2019 meeting of the Board of Directors, as amended. Motion seconded by Trustee Cantwell. Motion approved unanimously.

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

TF \$40,846.05 GA \$ 4,218.30 DRD \$ 5,205.94 PHR \$19,125.15

Motion by Trustee Sheahan to approve the claims for the period of August 14, 2019 to September 10, 2019. Motion seconded by Trustee Hoyt. Board polled; motion approved unanimously.

General Assistance and Salvation Army August case report (copies provided for review). Trustee Sheahan comments on big reduction from last month - good to see them come down. Supervisor Brokaw states that the numbers might be off a little bit; getting a lot of people calling in and then they don't follow through with an application.

# 5. Davis Road Property

Supervisor Brokaw advises recycling has been looked into; property will not be just for cold storage. There will be recycling to make it worthwhile. It is being developed and looked into. Ernie Hagenow states that previously the possibility was discussed to partner with other townships to share costs and use equipment. Supervisor Brokaw advises yes, that has been pursued, and we strive to work with other townships with intergovernmental agreements to save money and pool resources. There are other programs we can look into. Supervisor Brokaw asks Highway Commissioner Fuller if we have the capacity to accept brush? Highway Commissioner Fuller advises no; some people do come out with brush and are allowed to drop off, but some are coming with too much brush. Mr. Hagenow asks don't other townships accept brush? Highway Commissioner Fuller advises that some do and have the equipment and capacity to do so. We do roadway cleanup, once a year or so a county turn-in for tires is done. Supervisor Brokaw again asks Ernie Hagenow to jot down his questions and we can answer them.

### 6. Legislative Updates

None.

## 7. Reports:

**Supervisor -** WBR - repairs to roof - they are coming next week. Registration for Annual TOI Conference in November.

Assessor - Residential Sales Entered August 14, 2019 - September 10, 2019 provided for review. Assessments have been published and notices have been sent out. We have been consistently busy. Deadline for appeals is September 20, 2019. Appeal season will then start and we will be preparing for Board of Review.

Ernie Hagenow asks about the Shred Event held on September 7, 2019. Supervisor Brokaw advises that about 43 loads were shredded. Short discussion. Would be a good idea to hold this event at the same time every year to establish continuity, and then perhaps it will become expected and well attended.

**Highway Commissioner -** Everything going well. Put in a couple of culverts. Equalization culvert on Lucas Road. Boom mower out - cutting back the trees - it is doing a good job.

Clerk - Dates for compliance regarding filing of Annual Financial
Report have been met.

**Trustees -** Trustee Cantwell addresses numerous letters sent from purported constituents regarding 5G radioactive issue. Trustee Cantwell provides brief overview of the concerns in the letter(s) and the liability issue. We are not liable, as we are not included in these decisions and discussions. Ernie Hagenow states this is a mesh network; smart meters and their function briefly reviewed.

8. Executive Session - Motion by Supervisor Brokaw to enter Executive Session. Motion seconded by Trustee Sheahan. Motion approved unanimously. Members of Public depart.

Return to Regular session. Members of public invited to return.

- 9. New Business None.
- 10. Future Agenda Items:

Levy
Davis Road Property

11. Motion to adjourn.

Motion by Trustee Cantwell to adjourn; motion seconded by Trustee Hoyt. Motion approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, October 8, 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