

MINUTES OF THE DORR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
January 11, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.
Dorr Township Office
1039 Lake Ave, Woodstock, IL 60098

Present: Supervisor Susan Brokaw; Clerk Brenda Stack; Assessor Tammy Benitez; Highway Commissioner John Fuller; Trustee Laura Cullotta; Trustee Bryson Calvin; Trustee John Buckley; Trustee Tom Thurman.

Public present: Laura Wassinger (SOAR@Dorr Director); Amy Hansen; Marie Klapperich; Devyn and Jon (Benitez family); Alex Benitez; Arianna Benitez; Mikaela Benitez; Corky & Diane Metras; Shannon Combs

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

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

1. Roll Call of Board Members present as listed above.

Oath of Office - Tammy Benitez, Assessor. Oath of Office (term commenced January 1, 2022) administered by Clerk Brenda Stack to newly seated Assessor Tammy Benitez.

2. Public Comments:

Marie Klapperich congratulates the Road District for clearing the roads; wonderful job.

Alex Benitez, representing the Benitez family, expresses pride and confidence as Tammy Benitez commences her term as Assessor. Those present welcome Tammy Benitez as Dorr Township Assessor.

3. Approval of Minutes of the December 14, 2021 Board meeting.

Motion by Trustee Cullotta to approve the Minutes of the December 14, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting. Motion seconded by Trustee Calvin. Motion approved unanimously.

4. Approval of Claims for period November 10, 2021 to December 14, 2021:

TF	\$59,809.02	GA	\$ 2,216.56
DRD	\$ 7,670.05	PHR	\$22,102.21

Motion by Trustee Calvin to approve the claims for the period December 15, 2021 to January 11, 2022. Motion seconded by Trustee Buckley.

Trustee Calvin requests clarification on "doors". Supervisor Brokaw advises that ADA doors at meeting room outside door and two (2) bathroom doors installed; we will receive reimbursement from the grant through McHenry County Community Foundation. **Vote called. Board polled; motion approved unanimously.**

General Assistance and Salvation Army case reports for the month of December provided.

5. Senior Activities Report

Written report from Laura Wassinger provided for review. Laura Wassinger is present and advises that she is excited about things we are working on. Instructor for fitness classes through rec center contact looks promising and very likely. Different ways to work together to make things happen - everything is going very well. Covid update - Seniors are very nervous; we've seen a bit of a reduction in participation, but not as much as expected. Adding new restrictions, and they are very appreciative of our efforts. John Buckley provides Covid restriction update.

6. Approval of meeting dates for 2022-2023 Fiscal Year

Supervisor Brokaw advises the only change is the November date - should be November 8th. This is Election Day, and we are a polling place, but it shouldn't be a problem for our regular meeting.

Motion by John Buckley to approve the meeting dates for 2022-2023 Fiscal Year. Motion seconded by Supervisor Brokaw. Motion approved unanimously.

7. Solar Energy Discussion

Trustee Calvin advises he has collected some data and additional information will be compiled. Recommendation that we do not lease; recover 23% of building costs. Supervisor Brokaw and Trustee Calvin to work together on this project. This is an on-going item - wheels are in motion. Short discussion regarding possible installations of solar energy in the area, i.e. schools, businesses.

8. Legislative Updates

None. Supervisor Brokaw advises TOI Topics Day is Wednesday, April 6th. It is beneficial and a good experience.

9. Reports:

Supervisor: Supervisor Brokaw advises she received a Thank You note from the Woodstock Rotary for our Christmas Clearing House donation. Received request from the McHenry County Clerks Office to use our building as a polling place for the June 28, 2022 General Primary and the November 8, 2022 General Election. November 8th is a conflict for our regular meeting, but that should not be a problem. ADA doors previously discussed. Trustees Meeting in Bloomington scheduled for this Thursday has been postponed to March 24th.

Assessor: Residential Sales entered December 15, 2021 to January 11, 2022 provided Tammy Benitez sworn in as Assessor earlier in meeting. Tammy advises the office is busy inputting sales information; site visits are minimal due to the weather. Working on 2022 Budget. Staffing issues briefly reviewed.

Highway Commissioner: Highway Commissioner Fuller advises things are going well at the garage. Plowing and salting underway. Branches are cleared as necessary. Keeping the roads clear and repairing any sign damage. Supervisor Brokaw provides handout of information regarding improvement project at Routes 176 and 47. Highway Commissioner Fuller states that IDOT is paying for the project, but is asking that we maintain a section of sidewalks and user paths. Concern with concrete vs. asphalt maintenance. Crystal Lake and Lakewood also being asked to maintain sections. Brief explanation of specifications and participation. Supervisor Brokaw advises that our township attorney has been consulted, and he raised concern with liability and exposure. This is a phased project. Item to be revisited.

Clerk: Clerk Stack reminds those present of the calendar provided in Perspective Magazine, and important information continually provided in the magazine. List of names provided to McHenry County Clerk for Statement of Economic Interest (required by January 31st). After January 31st, each member of the Board should receive an email from the County Clerk advising of requirement to complete Statement of Economic Interest. More reminders to follow.

Trustees:

No comments

10. Executive Session - None.

11. New Business

- a. Phase 1 Pedestrian Accommodations 62B43 (IL Route 47 at Pleasant Valley Road and IL Route 176.

12. Future Agenda Items - None.

13. Motion to adjourn.

Motion by Trustee Calvin to adjourn. Motion seconded by Trustee Buckley. Motion approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.
at Dorr Township Office.

Submitted by Brenda Stack, Dorr Township Clerk