# MINUTES OF THE DORR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING February 8, 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: None

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.
- 2. Public Comments: None
- 3. Approval of Minutes of the January 11, 2022 Board meeting.

Clerk Stack advises there are two (2) corrections: 8. Legislative Updates, page 3, Topics Day is April 6, 2022. Under Supervisor's Report, page 3, line 6, should be "but that should not be a problem."

Motion by Trustee Buckley to approve the Minutes of January 11, 2022 with the noted corrections. Motion seconded by Trustee Cullotta. Motion approved unanimously.

4. Approval of Claims for period January 12, 2022 to February 8, 2022:

'I'E'	\$38,137.48	GA	\$ 2,161.33
DRD	\$25 <b>,</b> 256.80	PHR	\$22,386.98

Motion by Trustee Calvin to approve the claims for the period January 12, 2022 to February 8, 2022. Motion seconded by Trustee Buckley. No discussion. Vote called. Board polled; motion approved unanimously.

General Assistance Case Report for January provided for review. John Buckley asks about the numbers, if there is generally a lag in Spring. Supervisor Brokaw advises there is a lag now because of Covid; and additional assistance through other sources is available right now. Page 2 - 2/8/2022

## 5. Senior Activities Report

Written report from Laura Wassinger provided for review. February calendar also attached. Supervisor Brokaw advises more social media presence and newsletter should help exposure. Lots of good things happening.

#### 6. Solar Energy Discussion

Supervisor Brokaw advises she has contacted ComEd regarding energy efficiency and programs available. Recently contacted Doug Youmans of Pro Energy Design, who did an assessment - reviewed lights inside and outside, food pantry usage, and also the Highway Department. He will check to see what would be available to us. Would like to take that step first before we move forward with solar. By next meeting, hope to have something to report.

7. Phase 1 Pedestrian Accommodation 62B43 (IL Route 47 at Pleasant Valley Road and 176)

Handout provided by Supervisor Brokaw with relevant information. Highway Commissioner John Fuller reviews the proposed project -Request from IDOT for maintenance of paths at 176 and 47, Woodstock, Dorr Township and Lakewood asked to participate. Concrete on one side, asphalt on the other. No cost to township other than possible maintenance in the future. Highway Commissioner Fuller advises he spoke with Christine at the City of Woodstock, and they suggest participating now would outweigh not doing it. If we did decline now and then want to participate in the future, we would have to pay to have it done. Brief review and discussion. Trustee Thurman confirms that location is not within township; Why would we participate? Highway Commissioner Fuller advises it is no cost to us. Discussion continues. Annexation in the future to Woodstock a probability. Supervisor Brokaw advises she has checked with TOIRMA and it should not be a problem.

Motion by Trustee Buckley to approve participation of Dorr Township in the proposed pedestrian accommodation/shared use path project of approximately 2700' of a shared use path and sidewalk north of IL-176 and IL-47, and approximately 2500' of sidewalk on the north side of IL-176, west of IL-47, to include future maintenance. Motion seconded by Trustee Calvin. Vote called: Aye: 4; Nay - 1 (T. Thurman). Motion carries. Page 3 - 2/8/2022

#### 8. Legislative Updates

Supervisor Brokaw advises legislation HB4261 to increase bid threshold by a township increases from \$20,000.00 to \$30,000.00. ARPA funds to townships. Assessor Benitez and Supervisor Brokaw to attend Topics Day April 6<sup>th</sup> in Springfield.

## 9. Reports:

Supervisor: Supervisor Brokaw reminds everyone of the email sent out regarding OMA and FOIA training - sites are back up; register and complete. Reminder of the TOI Educational Event on May 26<sup>th</sup> in Rockford. Received an email from McHenry County Environmental Defenders - Mayor's Monarch Pledge - monarch butterfly environmental impact importance. There are three (3) projects you can complete. Forthcoming letter will be forwarded with more information.

Assessor: Residential Sales entered January 12, 2022 to February 8, 2022 provided Assessor Benitez advises she has hired a new employee to replace retiring employee, Becky Pender. Training new employee. Starting back with site visits.

**Highway Commissioner:** Highway Commissioner Fuller advises there have been some recent snow events; truck maintenance is ongoing. A little patching being done; got some salt and should be good through the season.

**Clerk:** Clerk Stack references article in the Perspective magazine this month regarding changes to Statement of Economic Interest. Reminder to all to look for an email from the County Clerk in the next month or so to complete Statement of Economic Interest by May 1<sup>st</sup> deadline

#### Trustees:

No comments

10. Executive Session - None.

### 11. New Business

a. Approval for the expenditure of MFT Funds on non-dedicated roads

Highway Commissioner Fuller provides brief explanation of program. Approval for expenditure of Motor Fuel Tax funds on non-dedicated subdivision roads that require maintenance. Supervisor and Trustees sign certification to approve with attestation by Clerk dated February 8, 2022. Legal Notice to be published as required.

12. Future Agenda Items

- a. Approval of 2022 Annual Meeting Agenda
- b. Town Fund Budget
- c. Road District Budget
- d. Transfer of Appropriations

## 13. Motion to adjourn.

Motion by Trustee Calvin to adjourn. Motion seconded by Trustee Buckley. Motion approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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

Submitted by Brenda Stack, Dorr Township Clerk