

MINUTES OF THE DORR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
February 14, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.  
Dorr Township Office  
1039 Lake Ave., Woodstock, IL 60098

Present: Supervisor Susan Brokaw; Assessor Tammy Benitez; Highway Commissioner John Fuller; Amy Hansen as acting Clerk; Trustee Laura Cullotta; Trustee John Buckley; Trustee Tom Thurman; Trustee Jon Sheahan.

Absent: Clerk Brenda Stack

Public present: Gina Peshek

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: Gina Peshek, will present later in the meeting.
3. Approval of Minutes of the January 10, 2023 Board Meeting.

Trustee Cullotta inquired that the current minutes do not reflect a correction regarding the TOI Conference. Supervisor Brokaw advises a correction can probably still be made, as the minutes are just a draft; Supervisor Brokaw will speak with Clerk Stack regarding that.

**Motion by Trustee Thurman to approve the Minutes of January 10, 2023. Motion seconded by Trustee Sheahan. Vote called; motion approved unanimously.**

4. Approval of Claims for the period January 11, 2023 to February 14, 2023.

TF	\$44,667.41	GA	\$4,431.57
DRD	\$8,441.33	PHR	\$48,151.82

**Motion by Trustee Sheahan to approve the claims for the period January 11, 2023 to February 14, 2023. Motion seconded by Trustee Buckley. Vote called. Board polled; motion carries.**

General Assistance and Salvation Army case reports (copies provided for review). Trustee Cullotta commented that it was another busy month. Supervisor Brokaw agreed and advised that Greenwood Township's Supervisor is back in the office and training someone on their General Assistance so we will no longer be handling those cases.

5. Presentation by public commentor, Gina Peshek, of Helping Hands.

Gina spoke about the importance of textile recycling. Her for profit textile recycling company, Helping Hands, puts out recycling bins for clothing. They have recently placed them at Algonquin Township and Nunda Township. They would like to place two at Dorr Township. They can pick up every day, hopefully in the evenings, and the Township would receive 10 cents per pound collected. Discussion took place regarding the placement of the bins on Dorr Township property. They would need to be near a well-lit area with a surveillance camera on them to deter vandals. Supervisor Brokaw asked everyone to keep their eye out around the City of Woodstock to see how many bins there are and if one here would be appropriate. A decision can be made next month.

6. Senior Activities Report

Written report from Laura Wassinger provided for review prior to meeting via email. Supervisor Brokaw advised that there is something every day at the Township for Seniors.

7. Legislative Updates

Supervisor Brokaw inquires if everyone received notice of House Bill #249 regarding Intergovernmental Agreements. Discussion continued regarding contacting Senator Wilcox about the bill.

8. Reports:

**Supervisor:** Supervisor Brokaw advises she was contacted again by the owners of the property in Ridgefield to see if we were interested in purchasing the property for fair market value. Trustee Thurman mentioned it could be a good place for a park. Discussion continued about the budget for that and if it would require a new levy. The Township received a nice thank you card from Christmas Clearing House for the donation.

**Assessor:** Assessor Benitez is continuing to input sales, permits and other assessment duties. The department has begun Sales Ration Studies/valuing for all the neighborhoods which will continue into May. The team is going out on site vits for permits and updates as the weather permits.

**Highway Commissioner:** Highway commissioner Fuller advises they are out plowing and salting. They have been able to do some maintenance and fixing the equipment when they are not out on the roads. There has been a lot of trash on the roads that they have cleaned up. They are also working on checking signs. The guardrail on Mason Hill Road was hit again. Discussion on what else can be done to warn motorists of the dangerous curve, as there is already a sign with flashing lights and the speed limit has been reduced to 35 in that section.

**Clerk:** Acting Clerk, Amy Hansen, reminded everyone that Clerk Stack needs a Statement of Economic Interest from everyone, if you have not already done so.

**Trustees:**

No comments

9. Executive Session

None.

10. New Business

None.

11. Future Agenda Items

Further discussion on textile recycling.

12. Motion to adjourn.

**Motion by Trustee Buckley to adjourn. Motion seconded by Trustee Thurman. Motion approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.**

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Submitted by Amy Hansen, acting Clerk for Dorr Township