# MINUTES OF THE DORR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING May 9, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Dorr Township Office 1039 Lake Ave, Woodstock, IL 60098

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

Public present: Bob Pierce, Mark Anderson, Don Limbaugh, Scott Ritchie

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Brokaw at 7:03 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 April 11, 2023 Board meeting.

Trustee Cullotta advises of error on page 3, Motion made and seconded indicating both Trustee John Buckley. Clerk Stack reviews notes and Trustee Sheahan was the second. Correction to be made to approved Minutes.

Motion by Trustee Cullotta to approve the Minutes of the April 11, 2023 Board meeting, as amended. Motion seconded by Trustee Thurman. Vote called; motion approved unanimously.

4. Approval of Claims for period April 12, 2023 to May 9, 2023:

TF \$71,849.03 GA \$ 4,834.40 DRD \$26,662.01 PHR \$28,114.69

Motion by Trustee Sheahan to approve the claims for the period April 12, 2023 to May 9, 2023. Motion seconded by Trustee Buckley. Vote called. Board polled; motion carries.

General Assistance case report and Salvation Army report available for review.

Trustee Sheahan comments on busy April. Supervisor Brokaw advises that 50% of these people that inquire never bother to show up to get the information; fielding a lot of phone calls.

Trustee Buckley informs that everyone on Medicaid will have to be recertified for eligibility over a staggered 12 month period in the next year. We may be able to provide assistance to seniors that attend our programs to help them be aware of this requirement.

## 5. Senior Activities Report

Senior Activities Report provided prior to meeting via email for review. Great programs, everything is going really well.

#### 6. Decennial Committee

Supervisor Brokaw states that the first meeting was held prior to this meeting, at 6:45 p.m., to establish committee, with members of the current Board as well as members of the public Mark Anderson, Don Limbaugh and Bob Pierce. Next meeting of the committee will be August 8, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

# 7. Road District Building Project

Highway Commissioner Fuller provides a brief overview of project - two (2) new buildings to replace the large building now currently in use. Each building will be close to 5,000 square feet - a little bigger than what we have now. John Swierk of DDCA architects did meet with representatives from the City of Woodstock. New septic field and well will be necessary. Supervisor Brokaw advises there were some changes to the basic outline provided. We are waiting to hear from Rosemary Swierk of Direct Steel regarding prices. The next step would be an Open House making information available to the public, and then requiring public meeting to get approval to proceed. Anticipated timeline is April 1st next year, taking anywhere from 6 - 8 months.

## 8. Legislative Reports - None

# 9. Reports

**Supervisor:** Supervisor Brokaw advised that she received a Notice of a zoning hearing  $-\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile south of intersection of Route 14 and Dean Street, currently zoned AG-1, 43.145 acres, requesting a conditional use permit for commercial solar energy facility. Hearing is scheduled for May 17, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. Also, Notice of

Public Hearing received regarding property west of highway department garage on Davis Road, perhaps for storage units, requesting a variation for fencing, paving, curbs/sidewalks and landscaping for the property. Hearing is set for May 18, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Reminder: Training events – joint event for supervisors and trustees on July  $14^{\rm th}$  in Rockford, and Rockford TOI educational event July 27, 2023

Patching and sealcoating of parking lot will take place on Saturday.

Assessor: Residential Sales entered April 8, 2023 through May 5, 2023 provided via email prior to meeting. Assessor Benitez advises Sales Ratio studies are continuing to be done of the neighborhoods. Monthly input of sales and permits are ongoing. Continuing to answer County questions that were received. Site visits are also continuing. May 5<sup>th</sup> the tax bills were mailed. Shortly thereafter calls started, most were from seniors that hadn't filled out their Senior Freeze forms in 2022.

Highway Commissioner: Highway Commissioner Fuller advises some tree work has been done, shoulder work, replaced some culverts on Pleasant Valley Road and a couple of other ones. Paving coming soon. Lily Pond Road - met with road officials and they provided recommendations - upgraded some signs according to their recommendations. Mowed some.

**Clerk:** Statement of Economic Interest - John Buckley advises he has filed his statement. That means all Board members are in compliance.

Supervisor Brokaw reminds Board that all are required to complete annual sexual harassment training. Please provide certificates to Sue.

Trustees: No report.

## 10. Executive Session

a. Semi-annual Executive Session Minutes review

Motion by Supervisor Brokaw to exit to Executive Session. Motion seconded by Trustee Cullotta. Motion approved unanimously. Public present requested to exit meeting.

Before exiting to Executive Session, Scott Ritchie, who joined the meeting after Public Comments, was provided an opportunity for comment. He advised he is a recent Dorr Township'/ resident and was interested in attending a meeting. The Board thanks Mr. Ritchie for his attendance.

- 11. New Business
- 12. Future Agenda Items
- 13. Motion to adjourn

Motion by Trustee Cullotta to adjourn. Motion seconded by Trustee Buckley. Motion approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Next meeting: Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Decennial Committee: Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Special Meeting - Town Fund Budget and Road District Budget - May 17, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. and 7:15 p.m.

Submitted by Brenda Stack, Dorr Township Clerk