

MINUTES OF THE DORR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
August 13, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
Dorr Township Office
1039 Lake Ave, Woodstock, IL 60098

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

Not present: Highway Commissioner John Fuller; Trustee Laura Cullotta/

Public present: Laura Wassinger; Lynda Rohe

Meeting called to order by Clerk Brenda Stack 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 July 9, 2024 Board meeting.

Tabled until September 10, 2024 Board meeting.

4. Approval of Claims for July 10, 2024 to August 13, 2024:

TF	\$58,899.47	GA	\$ 1,341.00
DRD	\$39,052.72	PHR	\$23,434.06

Motion by Trustee John Buckley to approve the claims for the period July 10, 2024 to August 13, 2024. Motion seconded by Trustee Jon Sheahan. No questions. Board polled; motion approved unanimously.

General Assistance and Salvation Army case reports provided prior to Board meeting via email for review.

5. Senior Activities Report

Laura Wassinger, SOAR@Dorr Director of Programs, and Lynda Rohe, SOAR@Dorr Director of Social Services both present. SOAR@Dorr Township Update dated August 13, 2024 provided for review.

Woodstock Independent news article (SOAR@Dorr Welcomes Seniors to 'Land of Oz', and SOAR@Dorr monthly activities and informational flyer provided for review. Laura Wassinger advises Lynda Rohe is a great asset to our program here at Dorr Township. Laura reviews various programs and information provided in the SOAR@Dorr Township Update; social programs are great! Lynda is instrumental in grants and applications. Current and Future Projects outlined. Walking bridges of particular concern and importance; parking is an issue. Walkways across ditch, possibility of partnering with District 200 as a project. Immediate needs are drawings and specifications for building walkways. Trustee Tom Thurman suggests Dorr Township may have some resources and materials, i.e. culvert, blacktop, dirt for walkways. Thank you to Laura Wassinger and Lynda Rohe for their outstanding work, and thank you to Supervisor Sue Brokaw for making sure this program was instituted.

6. Road District Building Project

Supervisor Sue Brokaw advises that bid opening was held on July 23, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. Some of the bids submitted did not follow directions through the bid process, and in the end all bids were rejected, and a new bid opening has been scheduled for August 26, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. Permits from the City have been obtained (outside of those required for bids that may be selected). John Fuller is working on making arrangements to move equipment and materials for storage during construction.

7. Oakland Cemetery

Supervisor Sue Brokaw met with Woodstock City Manager Roscoe Stelford last week, who advised the City has not been approached by the cemetery board, but that they are aware of the financial difficulties of the cemetery. He was not too keen on a donation; the City's opinion is their pricing structure needs improvement. Dorr Township does not have the budget to take care of a cemetery. A referendum would have to be put on the ballot, and thereafter a levy to be passed on to the taxpayers/constituents of Dorr Township. Supervisor Brokaw will advise the Oakland Cemetery Board that we are not interested, and they have the option to request a referendum.

8. 2025 Election

Clerk Brenda Stack advises she has packets available for Independent party candidates for the 2025 Consolidated Election, which can be circulated for signatures starting August 20, 2024. Clerk Stack also advises she recently attended an election seminar with TOI, which was extremely helpful with important information.

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9. Legislative Updates - None.

10. Reports

Supervisor: Supervisor Brokaw advises that the door system in our building has been updated (software updated, new fobs, replaced hardware on all the doors). Issue with interior doors being dealt with. Finished Supervisor training.

Assessor: Residential Sales July 9, 2024 through August 8, 2024 - provided. Assessor Benitez advises Dorr Township was published on Wednesday, July 24, 2024. The last day to appeal will be Friday, August 23, 2024. We have had 71 calls, 21 walk-ins, and only three (3) appeals submitted to the County as of August 8, 2024. Appeals usually come in the last week. Continuing to input sales and permits into our system, and we are still doing site visits. Brief review of process for irate taxpayers who visit the office.

Highway Commissioner: Highway Commissioner Fuller not present. Written report provided read by Clerk Stack: Paving - Lucas Road from Mt. Tabor to Route 14 is done. Chucker (Chukkar) Place is also done. Boom Mower has been out. Put down some shoulder gravel. Have been patching failing spots in the roadways. Have been preparing for the demolition of the old building. Found storage for Township materials and equipment thanks to the City of Woodstock.

Clerk: Clerk Brenda Stack advises that election years are every four (4) years, and process is a bit more difficult, as it is not done regularly, and new changes may be instituted. Clerk Stack again advises of recent seminar attended regarding election, which is always helpful and informative. Reminder that Candidate Packets are available for circulation starting August 20, 2024.

Trustees: No report

Supervisor Sue Brokaw reminds everyone of the Shred Event on September 21, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Information is on our website, will be advertised in the Woodstock Independent.

11. Executive Session - None

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12. New Business

a. Salaries. Handout provided for review of McHenry County

Townships elected officials salaries. Salaries need to be set by November 18, 2024.

13.Future Agenda Items

- a. Salaries/Compensation

14.Motion to adjourn

Motion by Supervisor Sue Brokaw to adjourn. Motion seconded by Trustee John Buckley. Motion approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting

Submitted by Brenda Stack, Dorr Township Clerk

CIVILITY PLEDGE:

In the interest of civility, I pledge to promote civility by listening, being respectful of others, acknowledging that we are all striving to support and improve our community, and understanding that we each may have different ideas for achieving that objective.