

MINUTES OF THE DORR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
July 8, 2025 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 Jon Sheahan; Trustee Ernie Hagenow; Trustee Jim Brink.

Not present: Trustee Pat Keefe

Public present: See Sign-In Sheet

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

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

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

2. Public Comments:

Anthony Celentano asks about abbreviations under Approval of Claims. Supervisor Sue Brokaw advise of Town Fund, Dorr Road District, General Assistance and Permanent Hard Road.

3. Approval of Minutes

**Motion by Trustee Jon Sheahan to approve the Minutes of the June 10, 2025 Board meeting. Motion seconded by Trustee Jim Brink. Motion approved unanimously.**

4. Approval of Claims for June 11, 2025 to July 8, 2025:

TF	\$ 64,462.06	GA	\$ 2,600.00
DRD	\$ 6,267.62	PHR	\$335,437.11

**Motion by Trustee Jon Sheahan to approve the claims for the period June 11, 2025 to July 8, 2025. Motion seconded by Trustee Ernie Hagenow.** Open for questions: Trustee Ernie Hagenow asks about check under expense report to Rieke Interiors; Supervisor Sue Brokaw advises that was for office furniture for new Road District building. Trustee Hagenow asks if chairs were purchased and if check is issued; supervisor Sue Brokaw advises the chairs were paid for, and eight (8) chairs were purchased. Trustee Ernie Hagenow asks about method in which invoices are being paid; Supervisor Brokaw advises Direct Steel is handling construction management. Trustee Hagenow asks if prevailing wage was used, and Supervisor Brokaw advises yes.

**Board polled; motion approved unanimously.**

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

5. Senior Activities Report

SOAR@Dorr Township Update July 8, 2024 handout provided for review; Lynda Rohe, Director of Social Services, provides overview of handout - June Recap, July Programming, Services. A Steering Committee, SOAR Volunteer Action Alliance, has been created to support SOAR@Dorr current and future projects. A copy of a news article from the Woodstock Independent was presented from recent publication.

6. Road District Building Project

Highway Commissioner Fuller occupancy has been granted for the new buildings. Waste system issue resolved. Equipment all back. Will have the mobile office for a couple more days. Everything is going well. Supervisor Brokaw asks about the recent change order presented - Jensen's Plumbing and Heating - vents - back holes wrong; work has been completed. Trustee Hagenow asks about work done; Highway Commissioner Fuller provides brief explanation. Supervisor Brokaw advises we should be getting the last round of payments from Direct Steel. Open House to be considered.

7. Legislative Reports - None

8. Reports

**Supervisor:** Supervisor Brokaw advises she had a recent Zoom meeting with a CPA who specializes in QuickBooks, and works with other townships. She is reviewing our files now and will get back to us with a price. Trustee Jim Brink asks if this is a new program; Supervisor Brokaw advises we are staying with the program we have, but we have some glitches with payroll and reports, and this individual provides assistance with this program. Supervisor Brokaw advises she received an email from John Sullivan, a Social Studies teacher at Woodstock North High School, advising that he currently has a County flag in his classroom, and is asking for a Dorr Township flag to display in his classroom. We do have some flags, and it would be good exposure for students, and a good thing to provide them with the flag. Received a Save the Date card from

Michael Frerichs, Illinois State Treasurer, for an invite to Local Officials Appreciation Picnic at the Illinois State Fair on August 16, 2025; if anyone is interested, please advise. Received an email from Chalen Daigle, Executive Director, McHenry County Council of Governments, advising that they currently coordinate the Northern Illinois Purchasing Cooperative which handles the purchase of electricity for municipalities, and there is now interest in natural gas supply sourcing, and they are asking if we are interested in having our natural gas accounts reviewed for possible inclusion in a fall/winter bid. Supervisor Brokaw advises she has sent copies of our bills to her for them to review to see if there might be a better way to handle our accounts. Trustee Hagenow asks if Woodstock has done anything to consolidate those? Supervisor Brokaw advises they are part of this cooperative. Brief discussion.

**Assessor:** Residential Sales June 11, 2025 through July 3, 2025 handout provided via email prior to meeting. Assessor Tammy Benitez advises we will be publishing our assessments in the Woodstock independent on Wednesday, July 9, 2025; the last day to appeal will be Friday, August 8, 2025. Please call office with any questions. Assessor Benitez advises SOAR@Dorr she will be happy to talk at Bingo on Thursday on this topic. We are continuing to input sales and permits. Site visits will continue throughout the month.

**Highway Commissioner:** Highway Commissioner John Fuller advises they have been busy; they are moving things into the new buildings, shop work being done, vehicle maintenance is ongoing, replaced some culverts, mowing ditches, patching roads, trimming trees. Inmates will be out next week to assist.

**Clerk:** No report

**Trustees:** Trustee Ernie Hagenow requests a written report from the Highway Department at monthly meetings. Highway Commissioner Fuller advises he will work on it. Supervisor Brokaw advises Trustee Pat Keefe attended training in Rockford recently and advised it was helpful. More training opportunities coming up, and the annual TOI Conference is in November; please advise if you will attend.

9. Executive Session - None

10. New Business - None

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11. Future Agenda Items

a. Road District Open House

12.Motion to adjourn

**Motion by Trustee Jon Sheahan to adjourn. Motion seconded by Supervisor Sue Brokaw.** Anthony Celentano advises he has a meeting with the Superintendent of Schools, and based on the interest of the Studies teacher from Woodstock North High School discussed at this meeting, asks Supervisor Brokaw if she would be willing to speak in the classroom about townships. Supervisor Brokaw and Assessor Benitez advise they would be willing to do so.

**Motion approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.**

Next Board meeting Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

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.*