MINUTES OF THE DORR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
May 12, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Sue Brokaw; Clerk Brenda Stack; Highway Commissioner John Fuller; Assessor Tammy Benitez; Trustee Ernie Hagenow; Trustee Chris Cantwell.

Not present: Trustee Pat Keefe; Trustee Jim Brink.

Public present: Amy Hansen

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Sue Brokaw at 7:01 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

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

2. Public Comments: None.

3. Approval of Minutes

M**otion by Trustee Ernie Hagenow to approve the Minutes of the April 14, 2026 Board meeting. Motion seconded by Trustee Chris Cantwell.** Supervisor Brokaw asks for any questions or comments. **Vote called – motion approved unanimously.**

4. Approval of Claims for April 15, 2026 to May 12, 2026:

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| TF | $71,042.76 | GA | $ 2,021.73 |
| DRD | $32,331.60 | PHR | $44,259.77 |

**Motion by Trustee Chris Cantwell to approve the claims for the period April 15, 2026 to May 12, 2026. Motion seconded by Trustee Ernie Hagenow.** Supervisor Brokaw asks for any questions or comments. **Board polled; motion approved unanimously.**

General Assistance case report and Salvation Army report for the month of April provided with Board packet prior to Board meeting via email for review.

5. Senior Activities Report

SOAR Township Update May 12, 2026 provided prior to meeting via email.

6. Reports

**Supervisor:** Supervisor Sue Brokaw advises a few of us attended Lobby Day in Springfield on April 15th. Supervisor Brokaw attended TOI Board meeting on April 16th. Received request from Senator Craig Wilcox - he would like to hold a tollway event here, which will be on Thursday, September 10, 2026 from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. They will assist people to transfer from transponders to strips. Supervisor Brokaw advises she could reach out to the Treasurer's Office about lost funds or something; Assessor Benitez states she would be willing to talk about exemptions. Food Pantry is having a Board meeting next week (Supervisor Brokaw advises she will not be available to attend). They had to hire a new general contractor, which somewhat delays their process. Architectural drawings to the City; have not received any building permit(s) yet, so it seems unlikely they will be out of here by Christmas. TIF meeting on May 26, 2026 at Noon regarding new Area 3, open to the public. Email received today from Chalen Daigle, Executive Director of McHenry County Council of Governments/McHenry County Coordinator, inviting townships to join group – collaboration and cooperation, grant assistance, partnerships and networking; $500.00 annual dues; what benefit to township? Brief discussion.

Seminars – AI and Township Government on July 9th in Springfield. Annual TOI Conference information is out – November 9th-11th

**Assessor:** Residential Sales April 13, 2026 through May 12, 2026 handout provided via email prior to meeting. Assessor Tammy Benitez advises tax bills were mailed on May 6, 2026. Bills are also online at the McHenry County Treasurer's Office website. This time of the year the volume of calls pick up with questions either about the tax bills in general or exemptions. Tammy attended a tax workshop at MCC with the Treasurer, Recorder/Clerk and Supervisor of Assessments on Wednesday; approximately 50 people attended.

The County Board has approved for the 2026 Assessment year and going forward – the Assessment Office will not be mailing the notices out if there is not a change in your assessment other than the equalization factor put on by the County. They are doing a great

job of getting this information out to the public on their website, press releases and workshops like the one Tammy attended on Wednesday. You can sign up to have the assessment notice emailed. We will also be putting this information on our website in the next few weeks.

We are wrapping up our sales ratio studies of our neighborhoods with a target date of mid-June to send our books into the County. We are also continuing to input sales and permits into the system, and the site visits continue for new construction and permits.

**Highway Commissioner:** Highway Commissioner John Fuller advises replaced culvert, road cleanup, trimmed trees, and a couple of dead trees, culvert replacement on Cherry Valley Road this week, shoulder work, cleaned intersections of gravel, repaired drainage ditch on Deerpath, mowed, shop work, sent Brad to Nunda Township for flood help, some work done on Lily Pond Road.

**Clerk:** No report.

**Trustees:** No report.

7. Executive Session – None.

8. New Business – None

9. Future Agenda Items - None

10. Motion to adjourn

**Motion by Supervisor Sue Brokaw to adjourn. Motion seconded by Trustee Ernie Hagenow. Motion approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.**

Next meetings:

BUDGET HEARINGS – Town Fund Thursday, May 14, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.
Road District Thursday, May 14, 2026 at 6:45 p.m.

Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, June 9, 2026 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.*