

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
DUPAGE TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR
AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

251 Canterbury Lane
Levy Center-Bolingbrook, IL

November 21, 2023
Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 7:09 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all and lead by Trustee Braxton.

ROLL CALL FOR QUORUM: Trustees Braxton, Ransom, Savage, Townsend, and Supervisor Marschke were present via roll call vote, so a quorum was determined.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made by Trustee Townsend and seconded by Trustee Braxton to approve the agenda as presented. Upon roll call vote agenda approval passed.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR October 19, 2023, BOARD MEETING MINUTES: A motion was made by Trustee Savage and seconded by Trustee Braxton to approve the October meeting minutes as presented. Upon roll call vote, motion carried to approve the October 17, 2023 meeting minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Judy Bredeweg – stop blaming prior administration just make repairs to Bluff Road; Garden Club said the water was shut off at Boardman Cemetery. Supervisor Marschke replied that we have not received the money from the State of Illinois and even when we do it will not be enough to complete Bluff Road. Also, water was not shut off at the cemetery. Quasm Rashid– spoke about global rights and need for a cease fire, and Patty Droogan – Thank you Trustee Townsend for putting together the vigil for the little boy who was killed, and we do not condone what Hamas did and what Israel continues to do.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: My report will be mentioned by others.

ACTION ITEMS:

DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF THE EMERGENCY REPAIR TO THE 2015 CHEVY SILVERADO: After some discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Savage and seconded by Trustee Braxton to approve the emergency repair to the 2015 Chevy Silverado. Upon roll call vote, motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF FOOD PANTRY PROPOSED HOLIDAY SCHEDULE: After some discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Ransom and seconded by Trustee Braxton to approve the proposed food pantry holiday schedule. Upon roll call vote, motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL FOR RESOLUTION 23-21 REVISION OF THE 2023-24 BUDGET: A motion was made by Trustee Townsend and seconded by Trustee Ransom to approve Resolution 23-21. Upon roll call vote, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

APPROVAL OF TOWNSHIP BILLS & CLAIMS (for 10/18/2023-11/21/2023)

Open Payables		Paid Payables	
Town	\$8,785.24	Town	\$134,528.91
Banquets	\$4,460.39	Banquets	\$ 9,869.90
General Assistance	\$ 1113.80	General Assistance	\$ 25,991.10

A motion was made to approve bills and claims by Trustee Braxton and seconded by Trustee Savage. Upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Trustees Braxton, Ransom, Savage, Townsend, and Supervisor Marschke. Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF AND CONTRACTORS

Legal Report- None

Administrator: Working on traffic studies – all completed and submitted to village. Busy with youth committee activities. Repair work. Attended the TOI conference. Water at Boardman Cemetery has not been shut off. Just paid the water bill. Repair work on the truck. Lots of turkeys were given out. Thanks to West Liberty Food – they donated 2,000 frozen fully cooked turkey breasts. We were able to give to our seniors at Greenleaf, McKenzie Falls and Romeoville Garden Apartments not only the turkey dinner but two turkey breasts. We also shared with Wheatland Township, Morning Star and Northern Illinois Food Bank in Joliet. Dave Locke has good relationships with our vendors.

Levy Center: Super busy planning and participating in lots of activities for the seniors. Lunch and learns, Naperville Trolley Tour, Will also tour Bolingbrook homes. Meals on Wheels continues to use our kitchen. RTA training.

General Assistance: See Attached

ELECTED OFFICIALS' REPORTS:

Assessor - See Attached Report

Clerk – When I became the liaison for the senior committee, I joined ITASCS and attended several meetings and learned about the awards they give out each year at the Township Officials of Illinois annual conference. They give out six awards, five of which are for individuals and one for the Township. I decided to nominate our Township for the Township of the Year for Senior Services. I wrote a two-page nomination and created a two-page collage of photos from various senior events throughout the year. This was my first time nominating anything, never mind the township. I was extremely excited to learn that we won the highest award that ITASCS presents. In my nomination, I mentioned that we have a great senior center, and it starts with our board, staff, volunteers and most importantly, the seniors we serve. We have the best seniors, and it is our pleasure to assist them whenever possible. Congratulations to our winning team! Wishing everyone a happy Thanksgiving holiday. Supervisor Marschke stated it all starts with Linda Youngs.

TRUSTEES:

Trustee Savage: Happy Birthday to Trustee Reem and Clerk Barbara. Mentioned the ceasefire for 50 hostages that I felt were not enough. I wish people, in general, here, and worldwide would espouse tolerance, mutual respect, and stop the inflammatory rhetoric, and the displayed anger and hostility that seem to come to these meetings too. We may not agree but I think most people in this room are old enough to know who these people were, that we aim to be more like Ted Kennedy and John McCain. COVID is again surging so please get your COVID vaccine to protect yourself and others. And from a priest's homily at my dear cousin's funeral this past weekend, we have an unknown amount of time here and need to spend our time wisely helping others, being humble, and caring for others. Let us all try to do this.

Trustee Ransom: Happy Thanksgiving. Grateful for Barbara nominating the Township for the award. It is very rewarding to be able to help families in our community.

Trustee Townsend: Thanks for the birthday wishes. Thanks to Barbara for doing the work to nominate us for this award. Grateful that Israel released 3 Palestinian hostages to 1 Israeli hostage, and that there were over 5,000 Palestinian hostages prior to October 7, many of whom were children and for the ceasefire and hostages being released on both sides.

Trustee Braxton: Award is a big deal – congratulations to all staff. Food distribution on Saturday was outstanding. Very rewarding to help give out food. The families were so appreciative. TOI conference was productive. I attended several sessions and learned a lot. Happy Thanksgiving.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Trustee Savage and seconded by Trustee Ransom to adjourn the meeting. Upon roll call vote, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Ann Parker
Township Clerk