

**Elgin Township Board**  
**729 S McLean Blvd Elgin IL 60123**  
**Meeting of July 11, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Town of Elgin, Illinois was held downstairs in Meeting room A. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Ken Bruderle at 6:00 p.m. Clerk Dowling led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION**

Joann Hartmann/Elgin Cooperative Ministry gave the invocation.

**ROLL CALL**

Trustees Alejandro Lopez, Mark Bialek, Eric Stare, Janet Rogalla, Supervisor Ken Bruderle were present.  
**Quorum was established.**

**GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Public comments are in 2 phases: agenda-related, then non-agenda related.

**A. PUBLIC COMMENTS - Agenda-related**

None

**B. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

A motion was made by Trustee Lopez to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2022, regular Township Board meeting. Seconded by Trustee Stare. Motion carried 5-0-0.

**C. REPORTS**

1. Assessor Comments: Assessor's office submitted the 2022 Elgin Township assessments to the Kane County Supervisor of Assessments for certification. Once assessments are certified & published in a newspaper, a 30-day appeal period will begin. The date of the start of the appeal period has not been established yet. When we have this information, it will be posted on our website.

2. Road Comments: Road Commissioner Krabbe reported that due to Local 150 strike, our paving has been put on hold until further notice. We are having problems getting materials for smaller repairs. Preform Traffic Control Systems has started stripping our lines. Center lines are done. Finished our 2<sup>nd</sup> mowing of the season. Due to the numerous storms, we've had lately, we made a round picking up brush, along with keeping drains opened & flowing. Coombs Road Bridge project is moving forward, and we're looking at starting July 12 and will continue until Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>. Starting tomorrow Coombs Road will be closed. Starting the process of replacing Truck #3. It is a 2010 International. We've been told prices have increased approximately 40% and will take approximately 2 years before we receive the new truck. Also looking to replace Truck #1, a 2013 F150.

3. Kane County Sheriff Dept. Representative: Chris Ruchaj will be transferred to Kaneland High School as the SRO (school resource officer). He will still try to act as the Township deputy.

4. South Elgin Police Dept. Representative: Not present.
5. Elgin Police Department Representative Rick Demierre: Kids United program going very well and still taking kids in. There are still catalytic converter thefts, so please call the police when you see someone under a car. There was a shooting in Elgin over the weekend. The 4<sup>th</sup> of July concert and fireworks has been rescheduled to August 26.
6. Committee on Seniors Report- Trustee Janet Rogalla: The 6-month review will be by January 15<sup>th</sup>. January 26<sup>th</sup>, organizations will come in with a short presentation on how funds were used. There is a new meeting time. It will be the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month at 7 pm. Need to discuss mission statement and to revise it. Will be revising application for senior services funding. Would like it to be brought down to possibly 1 page.

#### **D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Review & Audit of bills/funds: A motion was made by Trustee Stare to approve the audit/bills funds for the period on or before 7-11-22 in the amount of \$40,731.58 for the General Town Fund, \$10,283.79 for the General Assistance fund, \$425,894.58 for the Senior fund, \$15,426.03 for the General Road fund, \$1,148.46 for the Insurance Fund, for a total of all funds \$493,484.44. Motion seconded by Trustee Rogalla. Discussion held. Roll call vote: Ayes: Trustees Lopez, Bialek, Stare, Rogalla, Supervisor Bruderle. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0-0.

#### **E. CLOSED SESSION**

Discussion of Committee Candidates' Qualifications (if needed). Not needed.

#### **F. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Appointment of Members of 708 Community Mental Health Board: Trustee Lopez made a motion to create a mental health Board. Motion seconded by Trustee Bialek. Roll call vote: Ayes: Trustees Lopez, Bialek, Rogalla, Supervisor Bruderle. Nays: Trustee Stare. Motion carried 4-1-0. Elgin Township now has a 708 Mental Health Board. Supervisor Bruderle thanked everyone who applied. We will appoint 7 members. Supervisor Bruderle made a motion to appoint Blaine Miner and Farrah Stephen for 2-year terms. Motion seconded by Trustee Stare. Discussion held. Roll call vote: Ayes: Trustees Lopez, Bialek, Stare, Rogalla, Supervisor Bruderle. Motion carried 5-0-0. There will be two 3-year terms. One member of the Mental Health Board needs to be a member from the Township Board. Supervisor Bruderle made a motion to appoint Trustee Lopez for a 3-year term. Motion seconded by Trustee Bialek. Roll call vote: Ayes: Trustees Lopez, Bialek, Rogalla, Supervisor Bruderle. Nays: Trustee Stare. Motion carried 4-1-0. Supervisor Bruderle made a motion to appoint Michelle Diaz to the other 3-year term. Motion seconded by Trustee Bialek. Motion carried 5-0-0. For a 4-year term, Supervisor Bruderle made a motion to appoint Mike Warren, Karen Beyer and Andrew Sosnowski. Motion seconded by Trustee Stare. Motion carried 5-0-0. We now have appointed seven 708 Mental health Board members, and Elgin Township now has a mental health Board!

#### **G. TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

Trustee Bialek is proud of all who applied for 708 Board. He would like the Board to consider adding 2 more 708 Community Mental Health Board members.

## **H. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS**

Supervisor Bruderle appreciates the Board's hard work on the 708 Board. We have gotten a tremendous response in the number of applications for the Senior Citizens Utility Assistance Program. The deadline for receipt of applications is July 29<sup>th</sup>. The July 28<sup>th</sup> Triad Summerfest event filled all 200 spots within 4.5 hours of reservations being accepted, and the waiting list is also full. Township-area service agencies and service clubs seem to be excited about the August 20<sup>th</sup> event, "What Makes Elgin Township Tick?". The staff will start working on the next newsletter that will be mailed to all households within the Township. As this will hit mailboxes in early August, the "What Makes Elgin Township Tick?" event will be promoted, as well as services offered by the Supervisor's office, Assessor and Road District. The trim on the building was recently repaired and painted. The buttons for the handicap access were highlighted to enhance visibility and ease of use. The summer programs for at-risk youth that the Township helps to fund are in full swing, and we have been receiving acknowledgements on social media by the recipients. Updates to the Township website will continue - but in greater numbers over the remainder of the summer to enhance accessibility for our constituents. Please feel free to contact the office with suggestions.

## **I. RECOGNIZE PUBLIC COMMENTS- Non-Agenda related**

Carroll Bailey mentioned there will be a gun control rally this Saturday in Elgin on the Kimball Street Bridge. She brought a plaque of the Statue of Liberty for the Board.

## **J. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday August 8, 2022, at 6 pm at the Township offices, 729 S McLean Blvd. Elgin, IL 60123.

## **K. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Clerk Dowling

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Karen Dowling, Town Clerk

Date