

Elgin Township Board
729 S. McLean Blvd Elgin, IL 60123
Meeting of May 8, 2023, Minutes

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.

INVOCATION

Pastor Katie Shaw Thompson/Highland Ave Church of the Brethren gave the invocation.

Clerk Dowling led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

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

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

A. PUBLIC COMMENTS-Agenda related

None.

B. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee Stare to approve the minutes of the April 3, 2023, regular Township Board meeting. Motion seconded by Trustee Lopez. Motion carried 4-0-0.

C. REPORTS

1. Assessor Comments- Assessor Surnicki is currently working on 2023 assessments that will be submitted to the Kane County Supervisor of Assessments on June 15, 2023. His office has assisted 169 taxpayers with the Senior Freeze forms in April, down from 248 in March.
2. Road Comments- In Commissioner Krabbe's absence, Clerk Dowling reported that the Brush pick up for the season was completed and second pick up was started this week. Working on repairing snowplow damage along roadways. Broke down, cleaned, and serviced trucks, plows, and spreaders. Continued with daily activities, road maintenance, drains, batteries, and sign repair. Coomb's bridge update: some of the trees have been planted. Currently waiting for IDOT on May 15th to seed spec for final landscaping.
3. Kane County Sheriff Dept Representative- Deputy Matthew Schultz reported the number 1 call for Deputy's is serving paperwork. Know your burning ordinances in unincorporated areas. The Sheriff's office will hold a forklift driver certification class on May 25th from 9 am -3 pm. Evictions are up and running.
4. South Elgin Police Dept. Representative; Not present.
5. Elgin Police Dept. Representative- Officer Joshua Miller reported Ruse burglaries are still an issue. Continuing with outreach to let residents know this is going on. Drag racing is happening in Elgin in industrial areas. "Cop on Top" will be May 19th from 5 am- noon. Money will be raised for Special Olympic athletes. June 3rd is the Pride parade, June 4th Fox Trot, June 10th Skate Jam Show, and June 17th is a Juneteenth event.
6. Committee on Seniors Report- In Trustee Rogalla's absence, Supervisor Bruderle noted that some of the committee members will visit some Service Organizations to learn how the funds are being used and to get familiar with the organizations.
7. 708 Community Mental Health Board Report- Trustee Lopez; The finance and planning committees are meeting monthly. Election of officers will be at the next meeting. The next meeting will be in August. There is no meeting in June or July.

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Review and Audit of bills/funds; A motion was made by Trustee Stare to approve the audit/bills funds for the period on or before 5/8/2023 in the amount of \$133,062.62 for General Town fund, \$14,993.23 for General Assistance fund, \$499.66 for the Senior fund, \$3,200.00 for the 708n Community Mental Health Board, \$35,537.15 for the General Road fund, \$23,559.59 for the Insurance fund, for a total of all funds \$59,096.74. Motion seconded by Trustee Bialek. Roll call vote; Ayes; Trustees Lopez, Bialek, Stare, Supervisor Bruderle. Nays; None. Motion carried 4-0-0.

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Cub Scouts- Trustee Stare made a motion to table the discussion of the Cub Scouts. Motion seconded by Trustee Bialek. Motion carried 4-0-0.
2. Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency Act (Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency Act)
 - A. Appointments- Town: Supervisor Kenneth Bruderle, Clerk Karen Dowling. Trustees Mark Bialek, Alejandro Lopez, Eric Stare, Janet Rogalla. Road Commissioner Jason Krabbe, Assessor Steve Surnicki, Township Administrator Jeanette Mihalec, Fran Spiekerman, and John Tyson. Appointees accepted the appointments to be a part of the Decennial Committee on Local Government for Elgin Township. Trustee Janet Rogalla was absent.
 - B. Appointments- Road: Supervisor Kenneth Bruderle, Clerk Karen Dowling. Trustees Mark Bialek, Alejandro Lopez, Eric Stare, Janet Rogalla. Road Commissioner Jason Krabbe, Assessor Steve Surnicki, Township Administrator Jeanette Mihalec, Courtney Mills, and Daniel Caban. Appointees accepted the appointments to be a part of the Decennial Committee on Local Government for the Road District. Trustee Janet Rogalla was absent.

F. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Lopez noticed a suspicious car in his neighborhood on April 19th and thanked the EPD for their quick response in protecting the neighborhood.

G. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS

Supervisor Bruderle noted that May is Mental Health Awareness month and Motorcycle Awareness month. May 20th the Township will be hosting a mental health first aid class. The First ever Senior Access Pass Museum tour field trip was held on April 26th and was a huge success. Trustee Bialek and Supervisor Bruderle went along and served lunches and picked up garbage. On May 6th, the Nancy Kimball house (aka Cobblestone house) had a ribbon cutting that went very well and was a big success. On April 20th, Supervisor Bruderle attended a Township Supervisor Workshop on GA and EA. He met with a retiring physical therapist, and she will be volunteering to coordinate our lending closet for mobility equipment. Building update: Maintenance was completed on the elevator. The roof is still good for another 3 years. There is a huge need for canned cat food for seniors' cats. "What Makes Elgin Township Tick" event will be held on August 19th with a rain date of August 26th. May 17th will be the 2nd Anniversary of this Board. Committee on Seniors will be listening to presentations from applicants for senior services funding on May 25th with a continuation meeting on June 8th.

H. RECOGNIZE PUBLIC COMMENTS – Non- agenda related.

None.

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Elgin Township Board will meet Monday June 12, 2023, for the Budget and Appropriation meetings, with The Town portion starting at 5:30 pm, Road portion starting at 5:45 pm. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday June 12, 2023, at 6 pm. at Township offices, 729 S McLean Blvd. Elgin, IL 60123.

J. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Dowling.

Karen Dowling, Town Clerk

Date