

Elgin Township Board
729 S. McLean Blvd Elgin, IL 60123
Meeting of August 12, 2019 Minutes

The regular meeting of the Town of Elgin, Illinois was held on August 12, 2019 in the Board Room of the Elgin Township Building. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Franklin Ramirez at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Clerk Dowling.

ROLL CALL

Trustee Susan Van Weelden, Trustee Richard Poulton Trustee Verner Tepe, Trustee Eduardo Guerra, Supervisor Franklin Ramirez were present. **Quorum was established.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Deputy Mike Wilgosiewicz, from Kane county sheriff's office informed us that there have been a few traffic related incidents and a couple burglaries in the township.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee Tepe to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2019 Township Board meeting. Motion seconded by Trustee Van Weelden. Motion carried 4-0-1.

OLD BUSINESS

Investment Report; Supervisor Ramirez reported that the CD matured and was not rolled into another CD.

1. Review and Audit of bills/funds. A motion was made by Trustee Tepe to approve the audit/bills funds for the period of 7/9/19 to 8/9/19 in the amount of \$827.52 for General Town fund, \$14,512.23 for General assistance fund, for a total of all funds \$15,339.75. Motion seconded by Trustee Poulton. Ayes; Trustee Tepe, Trustee Guerra, Trustee Van Weelden, Trustee Poulton, Supervisor Ramirez. Nays; None. Motion carried 5-0-0. A motion was made by Trustee Poulton to approve the audit/bills funds for the period of 8/12/19 to 8/12/19 in the amount of \$38,893.19 for the General Town fund, \$11,253.19 for General Assistance fund, \$475.46 for the Senior fund, \$10,458.85 for the General Road fund, \$3,069.11 for the Insurance fund for a total of all funds \$64,149.80. Motion seconded by Trustee Van Weelden. Discussion held. Ayes; Trustee Tepe, Trustee Guerra, Trustee Van Weelden, Trustee Poulton, Supervisor Ramirez. Nays; None. Motion carried 5-0-0.

2. Bees/Butterfly Garden; Randy Hopp, Elgin township resident commented that the Library has a butterfly garden. He suggested we plant Tower milkweed since that is what monarch's like. Discussion held regarding whether to pursue a butterfly garden. Trustee Poulton will reach out to "The Wild Bunch", a garden club to ask if they would be interested in partnering with us.

3. Email Subscriptions; Supervisor Ramirez had discussions with Township officials and personal emails from residents are not subject to the Freedom of Information Act, however business emails can be. Discussion held. Supervisor Ramirez made a motion to untable the email subscriptions from the July 8th meeting. The motion was to spend but not to exceed \$2,500 for the email list and to spend but not to exceed \$100 a month for SendinBlue. Motion seconded by Trustee Van Weelden. Ayes; Trustee Tepe, Trustee Van Weelden, Trustee Poulton, Supervisor Ramirez. Nays; Trustee Guerra. Motion carried 4-1-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

Assessor Comments; In Assessor Surnicki's absence, Supervisor Ramirez reported the charge on the Audit report of 8-12-19 was for software for one year. The assessment letters are going out.

Road Comments; In Commissioner Seyller's absence, Supervisor Ramirez reported the culverts are being repaired.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Social Service Funding Schedule; 9-1-19, Schedule will be in the Courier and township website. 10-11-19, application deadline. 11-4-19, Grants will be rewarded. 12-9-19, Checks will be issued.

2. Senior Committee Appointment- Carl Strathman; Supervisor Ramirez made a made a motion to approve Carl Strathman for a 3 year term. Motion seconded by Trustee Van Weelden. Discussion held. Motion carried. 5-0-0.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

The Audit was last month. Trustee Tepe has some concerns about Lauterbach and Amen. Supervisor Ramirez suggested a rabies and microchip unit come to the township for the residents pets. The Township was asked if we would like a booth for the National night out next year. Went over EA & GA monthly reports.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

On August 1st, Trustee Van Weelden & Supervisor Ramirez toured Fox Valley Christian Action Camp for disadvantaged children. Women on the Brink will present a film "Maid in America" Sept 26th at the Library. Trustee Tepe reported that our Attorney has compiled information regarding the Mental Health referendum and it can be discussed at the September meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-

Next general meeting is scheduled for Monday September 9, 2019, 6:00 pm. at the Township offices, 729 S McLean Blvd., Elgin, Illinois 60123.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Van Weelden made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 pm. Motion seconded by Trustee Poulton. Motion carried 5-0-0.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Dowling.

Karen Dowling, Town Clerk

Date

Ed Guerra, Trustee

Date

Verner Tepe, Trustee

Date

Susan Van Weelden, Trustee

Date

Richard Poulton, Trustee

Date

Franklin Ramirez, Supervisor

Date