

Elgin Township Board
729 S. McLean Blvd Elgin, IL 60123
Meeting of March 9, 2020 Minutes

The regular meeting of the Town of Elgin, Illinois was held on March 9, 2020 in the board room at the Elgin Township Building. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Franklin Ramirez at 6:00 p.m.

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

None.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee Van Weelden to approve the minutes but to amend them to read under Announcements, "Next regular meeting is scheduled for March 9, 2020". Motion seconded by Trustee Tepe. Motion carried 5-0-0.

OLD BUSINESS

1.Review and Audit of bills/funds; A motion was made by Trustee Tepe to approve the audit/bills funds for the period of 2/11/20 to 3/6/20 in the amount of \$827.52 for General Town fund, \$6,431.17 for General assistance fund, for a total of all funds \$7,258.69. Motion seconded by Trustee Van Weelden. 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 Board audit report for the period of 3/9/20 to 3/9/20 in the amount of \$40,285.54 for the General town fund, \$12,524.22 for General assistance fund, \$1,895.28 for Senior fund, \$52,158.80 for General Road fund, \$3,110.20 for Insurance fund, for a total of all funds \$109,974.04. Motion seconded by Trustee Van Weelden. Discussion held. Ayes; Trustee Poulton, Trustee Guerra, Trustee Tepe, Trustee Van Weelden, Supervisor Ramirez. Nays; None. Motion carried 5-0-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

Assessor Comments-Continuing to have issues with the phone system. Looking at sales and will turn in assessment rolls on June 15, 2020.

2.Road Comments- Bids going out soon for Elgin Estates. Drains have been cleaned and equipment has been maintained. Want to make sure Bee/Butterfly garden is going to be fenced off. The farmer on Coombs Rd put in a pipe that we can hook onto. The water has been going down.

3.Kane County Sheriff Representative- Sergeant Collins and Deputy Ruchaj reported minor traffic accidents, and some thefts in Catatoga. Sergeant Collins and the Sheriff are going to have a liaison for Veterans.

NEW BUSINESS

1.Review & Approve Annual Town Meeting Agenda; Trustee Tepe made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion seconded by Trustee Van Weelden. Discussion held. Motion carried 5-0-0.

2. Line Item Transfer- Assessor; Trustee Tepe made a motion to accept line item 102599-Contingencies in the general town fund, the sum of \$2,000.00 transferred to line item 102578- Equipment- Computer, in the same fund making the appropriation 0 dollars, & for the 2nd line item \$12,000.00. Motion seconded by Trustee Poulton. Motion carried 5-0-0.

3. Audit Proposals; Discussion held on Lauterbach & Amen. Trustee Tepe made a motion to accept Tighe, Kress & Orr's proposal. Motion seconded by Trustee Poulton. Discussion held. Motion carried 5-0-0.

4. Bee/Butterfly Garden; Discussion was held with Nick Fuller from Natural Communities Native Plants on Prevailing wage. Supervisor Ramirez will get more information from the Dept. of Labor. More discussion held.

There should be an answer for Mr. Fuller by the April meeting.

5. Budget Discussion; Supervisor Ramirez discussed the Levy confirmation request & the actual extension for 2019. It should be close to \$2.4 million. Discussion held on Budget & Appropriation ordinance No 20-01. Trustee Tepe suggested increasing Social services from \$450,000 to \$500,000, and Youth program from \$110,00 to \$125,000. Discussion held.

SUPERVISORS REPORT

The last newsletter had the best open rate & click rate. If the 708 Board referendum passes, we will take applications for Board members. Received from TOIRMA, an article on Spring weather safety & thought it would be a good one to include in our newsletter. Want to go to Reike office interiors to get information on new tables for the board room.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Van Weelden participated in the following: The Long Red Line/One Billion Rising event (Sheriff Hain was the keynote speaker), & the International Women's day event. Will attend the Upper Illinois River Valley Development Authority board meeting, Fox Valley Women in mentoring, and South Elgin Economic Development Assoc. meeting. Trustee Tepe attended the South Elgin village meeting, and the first marijuana growing operation will likely be in South Elgin which is in Elgin Township. Supervisor Ramirez is on the Green Expo committee for earth month and is doing a podcast for it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-

Next general meeting is scheduled for Monday April 6, 2020 at 6:00 pm. at the Township offices, 729 S. McLean Blvd. Elgin, Illinois 60123.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Van Weelden moved to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Tepe. Motion carried 5-0-0. Meeting adjourned 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Dowling.

Karen Dowling, Town Clerk

Date

Franklin Ramirez, Supervisor

Date

Ed Guerra, Trustee

Date

Richard Poulton, Trustee

Date

Verner Tepe, Trustee

Date

Susan Van Weelden, Trustee

Date