

**Elgin Township Board**  
**729 S. McLean Blvd Elgin, IL 60123**  
**Meeting of March 13, 2023, Minutes**

The regular meeting of the Town of Elgin, Illinois was held in the board room. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Ken Bruderle at 6:02 p.m. Clerk Dowling led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION**

Pastor Tiffany Hendersen from The Kingdom Advancement Center gave the invocation.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Supervisor Bruderle noted our April meeting will be more in depth as the Youth organizations will be giving their presentations.

**A. PUBLIC COMMENTS-Agenda related**

None.

**B. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

A motion was made by Trustee Bialek to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2023, regular Township Board meeting. Motion seconded by Trustee Stare. Motion carried 5-0-0.

**C. REPORTS**

1. Assessor Comments; Assessor Surnicki noted his office is currently processing sales of properties and 2023 permits of residential and commercial properties. Throughout Spring & early Summer, we will be reviewing the 2023 assessments of each property in Elgin Township. We will submit 2023 assessments for certification in June 2023.
2. Road Comments; Road commissioner Krabbe noted there has been 7 snow/ice events since our last meeting spanning over 10 days. Continuing with normal activities; battery collection, drain cleaning. Sign maintenance, pothole patrol. Took 3 salt deliveries for the season and hoping to only have one more to end the season. A special brush pick up was done, due to the large volume of downed branches after the Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> ice storm. This was more loads than a normal brush pick up. A resident of the city of Elgin reached out to supervisor Bruderle with regards to the RR crossing on Hopps Rd. A city subdivision backs up to the crossing and the residents are asking the township to investigate make the crossing a "quiet crossing". Road commissioner Krabbe has reached out to HLR Engineering to provide the Township with options and cost estimates.
3. Kane County Sheriff Dept Representative; Not present.
4. South Elgin Police Dept. Representative; Not present.
5. Elgin Police Dept. Representative; Officer Jim Roscher reported that there have been ruse burglaries at seniors homes. Keep your house locked when outside in your yard. Burglary crews have been hitting commercial buildings. Please drive safely during bad weather.
6. Committee on Seniors Report- Trustee Eric Stare took Trustee Janet Rogalla's place at the last Seniors meeting. He gave an update on the shuttle bus. The Senior access pass has been a big hit with the seniors. The RFP's are due May 13<sup>th</sup> for Senior Service funding.  
Trustee Stare noted that Bill Lucas, Fred Haas and Ed Dring have agreed to take part on the Youth Committee.
7. 708 Community Mental Health Board- Trustee Alex Lopez noted The Needs assessment contract has been finalized. March thru May will be data gathering, and a report will be written in June. The first draft will be presented in August. By-laws, mission, and vision have been written and will be reviewed on Wednesday.

#### **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 3/13/2023 in the amount of \$26,677.94 for General Town fund, \$16,759.09 for General Assistance fund, \$12,157.68 for the Senior fund, \$61,514.30 for the General Road fund, \$1,245.59 for the Insurance fund, for a total of all funds \$120,354.60. Motion seconded by Trustee Rogalla. Discussion held. Roll call vote; Ayes; Trustees Bialek, Lopez, Stare, Rogalla, Supervisor Bruderle. Nays; None. Motion carried 5-0-0.

#### **E. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Public Act 102-1136/50ILCSL 70/25- Committee on Local Government Efficiency Act; Supervisor Bruderle explained the Act. This new law requires all Government bodies to form a committee to study local efficiencies, and to meet for the first time no later than June 10, 2023. The committee is to meet at least 3 times and prepare a written report on efficiencies, increased accountability, and to file the report with the County Board.

2. Proclamation for Problem Gambling Awareness Month- Clerk Dowling read the Proclamation. Trustee Lopez made a motion to accept the proclamation. Motion seconded by Trustee Stare. Motion carried 5-0-0.

3. Youth Grant Schedule; The application deadline was March 3, 2023. Packets were ready for pick up on March 7<sup>th</sup>. Decisions will be made at the April 4<sup>th</sup> board meeting, and the checks will be issued on May 8<sup>th</sup>.

4. Scheduling of Annual Town Meeting (April 11, 2023, at 7 pm). This date is set for the Annual Town Meeting.

5. Agenda for Annual Town Meeting; A motion was made by Trustee Lopez to accept the agenda. Motion seconded by Trustee Stare. Discussion held. Motion carried 5-0-0.

#### **F. TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

Trustee Bialek noted the Township will lose a piece of land at Hopps Rd and Randall Rd at the NW and SW corners. Discussion held.

#### **G. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS**

Supervisor Bruderle noted the Kane County State's attorney is holding an Open Meetings Act seminar on Thursday April 20, 2023, from 2 pm – 4pm. The schedule for the summer programs for Youth at Risk is as follows; application deadline was March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Packets were ready for pick up March 7<sup>th</sup>. Decisions will be made April 4<sup>th</sup> and the checks will be issued May 8<sup>th</sup>. The committee on seniors has proposed a funding schedule. The newsletter will go out in the mail tomorrow. Supervisor Bruderle passed out the schedule of Elgin Township events that will be held at the township building. We hosted a Township Communicators of IL meeting last week. A senior citizen did some beautiful artwork on the wall downstairs leading to the kitchen; "Senior Café". The kitchen will be used for the Café. If anyone would like to donate board games, puzzles, etc., for this please see Supervisor Bruderle. Once the April 4<sup>th</sup> election is over, the seniors can use the room.

#### **H. RECOGNIZE PUBLIC COMMENTS – Non- agenda related**

None.

#### **I. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday April 3, 2023, 6:00 pm at Township offices, 729 S McLean Blvd. Elgin, IL 60123.

#### **J. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Dowling.

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Karen Dowling, Town Clerk

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Date