

Elgin Township Board
729 S. McLean Blvd Elgin, IL 60123
Meeting of February 15, 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

Rev, Dr. Felicia Howell LaBoy/First United Methodist Church 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 thanked everyone for attending. The meeting is downstairs tonight since more space is needed.

A. PUBLIC COMMENTS-Agenda related

None.

B. PROCLAMATION – Floyd Brown. Supervisor Bruderle read the proclamation. Betty Brown and her son Keith briefly spoke and thanked everyone for their support. Floyd loved Elgin.

C. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee Lopez to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2022, regular Township Board meeting. Motion seconded by Trustee Rogalla. Motion carried 5-0-0.

D.REPORTS

1. Assessor Comments; Assessor Surnicki is currently reviewing 35,00+- parcels in preparation of the 2023 assessments. The staff is still processing property sales from 2022. Have been overwhelmed with the timing and volume in receiving the sales. The wave of new construction permits will be upon use soon. The goal is to complete the property assessment review by June 15th in preparation of 2023 certification.

2. Road Comments; Road commissioner Krabbe has taken the 2nd delivery of salt at approximately 400 tons. Continue with weekly bather pick up at our 4 locations. Continuing with normal activities such as checking roads for potholes, inspecting signs, drain cleaning, picking up garbage along roadways. Have had 6 separate snow events since we last met with 2 of the events lasting 2 days. Tomorrow looks to be a long event.

Supervisor Bruderle made a motion to make The Proclamation for Floyd Brown public record. Motion seconded by Trustee Stare. Motion carried 5-0-0.

3. Kane County Sheriff Dept Representative; Not present.

4. South Elgin Police Dept. Representative; Not present.

5. Elgin Police Dept. Representative; Officer Rick DeMiere reported that the Police Dept had a great event at Senior Services. There is an Autism event coming up. Don't leave keys in your ignition when starting your car to warm it up. Working on Kids United Grant. Not as many catalytic converters have been stolen recently. There have been some Ruse burglaries recently. Officer DeMiere did an active shooter presentation. The Township will sponsor an active shooter presentation at the Township building in November.

6. Committee on Seniors Report- Trustee Janet Rogalla noted Chairperson Maggie Beyer ran the Seniors meeting for the first time and did a great job. Some ideas the committee is looking into are Mentorships, and "Lend a Hand" with the future Youth committee. Other ideas include a Cubs or Sox game, a Senior prom, Creative writing, and expanding the Holiday singing event we will be holding at the Township. RFPs came in and all the organizations gave their presentations on how they spent the funds. The next meeting is February 23rd at 7 pm.

7. 708 Community Mental Health Board- Trustee Alex Lopez noted the following items were approved: establish Board structure to include by-laws, a mission, and a vision. To commission a Needs Assessment which came in under the budget of \$20,000. The Assessment will be done by NIU. Utilize the Needs Assessment to determine funding priorities, create a 3-year strategic plan, and determine fiscal structure. The 2023 Elgin Township Mental Health Board Proposed meeting dates are as follows: March 15th, April 19th, May 17th, August 16th, September 20th, October 18th, and November 15th.

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Review and Audit of bills/funds; A motion was made by Trustee Lopez to approve the audit/bills funds for the period on or before 2/15/2023 in the amount of \$41,126.24 for General Town fund, \$19,280.59 for General Assistance fund, \$2,748.62 for the Senior fund, \$53,581.85 for the General Road fund, \$1,245.59 for the Insurance fund, for a total of all funds \$117,982.89. Motion seconded by Trustee Stare. Discussion held. Roll call vote; Ayes; Trustees Bialek, Lopez, Stare, Rogalla, Supervisor Bruderle. Nays; None. Motion carried 5-0-0.

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Line-Item Transfers- Town. Supervisor Bruderle made a motion to transfer \$20,000 from the Town fund to General Assistance fund. Motion seconded by Trustee Stare. Roll call vote; Ayes; Trustees Bialek, Lopez, Stare, Rogalla, Supervisor Bruderle. Nays; None. Motion carried 5-0-0.

2. Ride in Kane Agreement. Discussion held. Supervisor Bruderle made a motion to pledge the same amount of funds this year as last year so they can apply for federal funding. Ride in Kane is looking for reassurance that the Board will fund them for this year. Motion seconded by Trustee Bielak. Roll call vote; Ayes; Trustees Bialek, Lopez, Stare, Rogalla, Supervisor Bruderle. Nays; None. Motion carried 5-0-0.

G. TRUSTEE COMMENT

Trustee Bialek went to Elgin Men’s Shed and was given a tour. Trustee Bialek and Supervisor Bruderle attended the Memory Cafe meeting on behalf of Dementia Friendly of Elgin. Dementia Friendly has started up a second event, the Engage Café which will be held on the 4th Tuesday of every other month at the Gail Borden library on McLean. All seniors are welcome. The next meeting will be March 28th from 2-3:30 pm. Trustee Bialek attended the Senior Services Valentine’s Day party and the first Black History month events.

H. SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS

Since the repairs have been done on the Shuttle bus and it is in tip top shape, Supervisor Bruderle tried to start it, and it wouldn’t start. John Tyson a mechanic who is in attendance tonight with his wife, graciously offered to fix the bus and got it started. The Board is very grateful for Mr. Tyson’s help.

I. RECOGNIZE PUBLIC COMMENTS – Non- agenda related

None.

J. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday March 13, 2023, 6:00 pm at Township offices, 729 S McLean Blvd. Elgin, IL 60123.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Dowling.

Karen Dowling, Town Clerk

Date