

Elgin Township Board
729 S. McLean Blvd Elgin, IL 60123
Meeting of June 12, 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 6:01 p.m.

INVOCATION

Monsignor Arquimedes Vallejo/St. Joseph Catholic Church gave the invocation.

Clerk Dowling led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

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

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

A. PUBLIC COMMENTS-Agenda related

None.

B. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

May 9, 2023, Regular Town Board meeting.

June 13, 2022, Public Hearing General Town.

June 13, 2022, Public Hearing General Road.

A motion was made by Trustee Stare to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2023, regular Township board meeting, the June 13, 2022, Public Hearing of the General Town, and Public Hearing of the General Road meetings. Motion seconded by Trustee Bialek. Motion carried 4-0-0.

C. REPORTS

1. Assessor Comments- Assessor Surnicki is turning the books in on June 13, 2023. The 30-day appeal period may start early to mid-August.
2. Road Comments- Commissioner Krabbe reported the second brush pickup of the season was completed. Next pick up is scheduled for the second full week of September and October. Completed first mow of the season. Bridge maintenance and resurfacing of Raymond Rd has begun. The resurfacing of McDonald Rd and Kenyon Rd started today. Update on Coomb's Bridge: shoulder repair and placement of trees, topsoil and seed have been done. Continued with normal activities: graveling shoulders, road repairs, drain cleaning, wood chip delivery, sign maintenance, and battery collection.
3. Kane County Sheriff Dept Representative- Deputy Matthew Schultz reported there are still ruse burglaries going on. The Sheriff's office lost a Canine in the past couple weeks. August 1st is National Night Out.
4. South Elgin Police Dept. Representative; Not present.
5. Elgin Police Dept. Representative- Seargent Rick DeMierre is now a Supervisor for Collaborative Crisis unit. There is no crime that is really pressing right now. The Pride parade and Fox Trot went very well. Elgin will host the 4th of July parade and fireworks in the evening. On June 27th there will be an Active shooter presentation from 6pm – 8pm at the Heritage Ballroom. The Kids United program started, and Seargent DeMierre thanked the Township for the funding. EPD got a new Canine today.
6. Committee on Seniors Report- Trustee Rogalla thanked Maggie Beyer, Chairperson for the Committee on Seniors and the new committee for the outstanding job they are doing.
7. 708 Community Mental Health Board Report- Trustee Lopez, No report.

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 6/12/2023 in the amount of \$35,994.62 for General Town fund, \$19,104.86 for General Assistance fund, \$2,907.79 for the Senior fund, \$0 for the 708 Mental Health Board, \$35,731.03 for the General Road fund, \$1,245.59 for the Insurance fund, for a total of all funds \$94,983.89. Motion seconded by Trustee Rogalla. Roll call vote; Ayes; Trustees Bialek, Stare, Rogalla, Supervisor Bruderle. Nays; None. Motion carried 4-0-0.

2. Confirmation of Appointments of Trustee Janet Rogalla to:

a. Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency for Elgin Township Road District.

b. Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency for Elgin Township. Trustee Rogalla accepted the appointments.

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Appointment to fill 708 Community Mental Health Board vacancy- Andrea Johnson-Williams. A motion was made by Supervisor Bruderle to accept the appointment of Andrea Johnson-Williams. Motion seconded by Trustee Bialek. Discussion held. Roll call vote; Ayes; Supervisor Bruderle. Nays; Trustees Bialek, Stare, Rogalla. Motion did not carry 1-3-0.

2. Cub Scouts and Becoming a Charter Organization Presentation by Len Bogacki- Mr. Bogacki gave a presentation on becoming a Charter Organization and asked the Township Board to be a sponsor. Discussion held. Trustee Stare made a motion to become a Charter Organization for the Cub Scouts. Motion seconded by Trustee Rogalla. Roll call vote; Ayes; Trustees Bialek, Stare, Rogalla, Supervisor Bruderle. Nays; None. Motion carried 4-0-0.

3. Storage container discussion- Supervisor Bruderle researched a renting storage container to free up room in the building. Discussion held. Supervisor Bruderle will get more details on this and report on it later.

4. "What Makes Elgin Township Tick" event (8/19/23); The purpose of this event is to highlight Service Organizations and Service Clubs who do a lot of good for the Township.

5. Recommendations by Committee on Seniors- presentation by Committee Chair Maggie Beyer. Chairperson Maggie Beyer gave a brief presentation on what the Committee on Seniors recommended for the funding of organizations. A motion was made by Trustee Rogalla to approve \$400,001 as submitted. Motion seconded by Trustee Stare. Discussion held. A motion was made by Trustee Stare to modify the motion to add that the funding is not to be used for anything deemed controversial according to the Township Board. With knowledge of doing so, this will put the Organization at risk of not being funded. Motion seconded by Trustee Bialek. Roll call vote; Ayes, Trustees Bialek, Stare, Rogalla, Supervisor Bruderle. Nays; None. Motion carried 4-0-0.

6. Elgin July 4th Parade Coop/Participation- Trustee Bialek gave a presentation on an opportunity for the Township to sponsor radio station WRMN at the parade and the First Responders event. Discussion held. The Board declined to sponsor these events.

7. Ecker Center Emergency Funding Request- The Ecker Center has asked for \$147,000 in funding to use for repairs to the parking lot. A motion was made by Trustee Bialek to fund \$7,000. Seeing no seconded, the motion died. Supervisor Bruderle made a motion to fund \$1,000. Motion seconded by Trustee Rogalla. Discussion held. Roll call vote. Ayes; Supervisor Bruderle, Trustee Rogalla. Nays; Trustees Bialek and Stare. Motion did not carry. 2-2-0.

F. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Bialek noted that South Elgin will also hold National night out at Patton Mill Park.

G. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS

Supervisor Bruderle; There is an educational workshop on July 14th in Rockford for all board members. The Shuttle bus has been repaired. The cost to date is \$5,343.77 for all repairs that have been done. Supervisor Bruderle is working on bids for an Electronic Marquee at the front of the building. The curbs in the front have been re-painted so residents can find the building more easily. Trustee Stare gave a speech at Willow Lake Estates on Memorial Day. It was well received, and he was asked to speak again next year.

H. RECOGNIZE PUBLIC COMMENTS – Non- agenda related.

Maggie Beyer, Chairperson of the Committee on Seniors, is thrilled to be a part of the committee. She thanked everyone for the great job the Township is doing. Bill Lucas commented that the Board is doing a great job.

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday July 10, 2023, at 6 pm. at Township offices, 729 S McLean Blvd. Elgin, IL 60123.

J. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Dowling.

Karen Dowling, Town Clerk

Date