

Elgin Township Board
729 S. McLean Blvd Elgin, IL 60123
Meeting of February 10, 2020 Minutes

The regular meeting of the Town of Elgin, Illinois was held on February 10, 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.**

Supervisor Ramirez noted Mason Mihelich from Boy Scout troop 21 is here to observe how Government works.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Maty Roberdi expressed her concern about the 708 Board Referendum. The trustees have 60 days to appoint a Board and the Board needs to create a plan. She feels it should be voted down. Randy Hopp commented on the cost of the Butterfly/Bee garden.

Supervisor Ramirez asked for a motion to move items on the Agenda. Trustee Van Weelden made a motion to flip flop Other Business and New Business. Motion seconded by Trustee Poulton.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee Tepe to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2020 Township Board meeting. Motion seconded by Trustee Poulton. Motion carried 5-0-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

- 1.Assessor Comments- Assessor Surnicki finished the appeals on January 31st. Still having problems with phone system and need to get it straightened out.
- 2.Road Comments- Road commissioner Seyller reported the department qualified for the 2nd phase for Elgin Estates. Would like to possibly do both phases in the spring. Batteries have to be hand sorted now. 16 barrels were shipped. An overweight truck was fined \$7,700 on Coombs Rd. We are getting \$3,700. We got reimbursed \$640 for a towing bill.
- 3.Kane County Sheriff Representative- Mike Ruchaj reported the traffic unit is going to start more truck reinforcement.

OLD BUSINESS

1.Review and Audit of bills/funds; A motion was made by Trustee Van Weelden to approve the audit/bills funds for the period of 1/14/20 to 2/7/20 in the amount of \$827.52 for General Town fund, \$4,989.52 for General assistance fund, for a total of all funds \$5,817.04. 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 Van Weelden to approve the Board audit report for the period of 2/10/20 to 2/10/20 in the amount of \$28,035.62 for the General town fund, \$10,410.69 for General assistance fund, \$1,595.77 for Senior fund, \$46,031.13 for General Road fund, \$3,110.20 for Insurance fund, for a total of all funds \$89,183.41. Motion seconded by Trustee Poulton. Discussion held. Ayes; Trustee Poulton, Trustee Guerra, Trustee Tepe, Trustee Van Weelden, Supervisor Ramirez. Nays; None. Motion carried 5-0-0.

2. Bees/Butterfly vote; Nick Fuller from Natural Communities Native Plants went over the estimate. Discussion held.

Trustee Poulton made a motion to get quotes from Mr. Fuller but not to exceed more than \$550 for the quote. Motion seconded by Trustee Van Weelden. Motion carried 5-0-0. Mr. Fuller will be back for the March meeting.

3. Website Discussion; Discussion held on how to make website easier to navigate through.

4. Investment Update; Supervisor Ramirez spoke with Edward Jones regarding rates and will get the paperwork ready for C.D.'s. Discussion held.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. EPEL Presentation; Amber Peters, Chris Young and another staff person spoke on the Summer Parks program.
- 2. Fellowship Housing presentation; Pam Orr spoke on how they help single mothers rebuild their lives in a 2-year program.
- 3. Senior Committee appointments; Sue Moylon & Joann Hartman gave the board some information about themselves. Supervisor Ramirez made a motion to appoint them to the Senior Committee. Motion seconded by Trustee Van Weelden. Motion carried 5-0-0.
- 4. Township Press Releases and Stories; Trustee Van Weelden feels we should have press releases and stories, so the public knows the work we do for the community, and that we exist. Discussion held.

SUPERVISORS REPORT

Service Line warranties sent a check for \$2,500. Township would like to be more mobile with passports.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

This Wednesday the Long Red Line will hold an event at Elgin Community College to bring attention to sexual assault. There will be a program, speakers, and tables with information, Trustee Poulton attended senior services meeting on January 23rd. Trustee Tepe noted early voting starts March 3rd at the Township so the Board meeting will be held downstairs. 276 groups used the building in 2019. Trustee Tepe noted not much goes on over the weekends.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-

Next general meeting is scheduled for Monday March 9, 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 Supervisor Ramirez. Motion carried 5-0-0. Meeting adjourned 8:26 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