

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
DUPAGE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
241 Canterbury Lane, Bolingbrook, IL
& via Remote "ZOOM" Conference
Tuesday, October 20, 2020
MINUTES**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order at 7:23p.m. by Supervisor George. ****Meeting start time was delayed due to internet issues.****
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all led by Supervisor George.

Supervisor George then made a statement for the record regarding his finding and determination, as head of the public body, that holding a meeting entirely in-person or a meeting otherwise conducted in accordance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act was neither practical nor prudent because of the declared disaster, and the Township has provided notice and adequate alternative arrangements for the public all in compliance with Section 7(e) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. Finally, notice was provided that a verbatim, public recording of the meeting was being made.

- III. **ROLL CALL FOR QUORUM:** Trustees Benford, Raga and Supervisor George were present in-person at the Township, Trustees Burgess, Oliver were in attendance via Zoom. The existence of a quorum was determined for the purpose of conducting the meeting.
- IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** A motion was made by Trustee Burgess and seconded by Trustee Raga to approve the agenda as presented. Upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Trustees Benford, Burgess, Oliver, Raga and Supervisor George. There were no nay votes. The motion passed.
- V. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
A motion was made by Trustee Burgess and seconded by Trustee Benford to approve the minutes from the October 20, 2020 Regular Board Meeting. Upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Trustees Benford, Burgess, Oliver, Raga and Supervisor George. There were no nay votes. The motion passed.
- VI. **SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:** Updated Board and residents on events occurring at the Township within the last 30 days. 1,000 meal deliveries for Thanksgiving will be made through the police departments, fire departments

of Bolingbrook and Romeoville. Brief updates were also provided on all DuPage Township departments and finally Supervisor George thanked all DuPage Township departments.

VII. ACTION ITEMS:

- A.** Approval of appointment for Jody Ellis to the Youth Committee. A motion was made by Trustee Burgess and seconded by Trustee Oliver to approve the item. Upon roll call vote the following voted yes: Trustees Benford, Burgess, Oliver, Raga and Supervisor George. There were no nay votes. The motion passed.
- B.** Approval of determination of the amounts of money, exclusive of debt service and election cost, estimated to be necessary to be raised by taxation pursuant to the proposed levy by DuPage Township for the 2021 (Tax Levy Estimates), in the amount of \$2,402,580.00, with approval to post the tentative levy for the 2020 tax year. A brief discussion between Trustee Benford and Supervisor George regarding levy of GA. A motion was made by Trustee Burgess and seconded by Trustee Raga to approve the item. Upon roll call vote the following voted yes: Trustees Benford, Burgess, Oliver, Raga and Supervisor George. There were no nay votes. The motion passed.
- C.** Approval of Resolution 20-19, Approving an Agreement for the Provision of Service between DuPage Township and Hazel House Global Charites (Employment Readiness Program) for the Township Fiscal Year 2020-2021. A motion was made by Trustee Burgess and seconded by Trustee Benford to approve the item. Upon roll call vote the following voted yes: Trustees Benford, Burgess, Oliver, Raga and Supervisor George. There were no nay votes. The motion passed.
- D.** Approval of Resolution 20-21, A Resolution Approving an Agreement for the Provision of Services Between DuPage Township and Operation Christmas: Bolingbrook ("OCB"). At suggestion of Attorney Secler, the motion was amended to allow for purchase of necessary items or increase services as needed. A motion was made by Trustee Burgess and seconded by Trustee Raga to approve the item. Upon roll call vote the following voted yes: Trustees Benford, Burgess, Oliver, Raga and Supervisor George. There were no nay votes. The motion passed.
- E.** Approval of Pace Dial a Ride Share Program 2021 Local Share Agreement with authorization for Township Supervisor to execute Contract. A motion was made by Trustee Burgess and seconded by Trustee Benford to approve the item. Upon roll call vote the following voted yes: Trustees Benford, Burgess, Oliver, Raga and Supervisor George. There were no nay votes. The motion passed.
- F.** Approval to repair/replace the sound system at the Levy Center, Township Supervisor to execute after receiving/reviewing quotes, not to exceed \$7,000.00. A motion was made by Trustee Burgess and seconded by Trustee Raga to approve the item. Upon roll call vote the

following voted yes: Trustees Benford, Burgess, Oliver, Raga and Supervisor George. There were no nay votes. The motion passed.

- G. Approval to publish and post notices of caucuses stating the time and place where the caucus of each political party will be held pursuant to the Illinois Township Code. A motion was made by Trustee Benford and seconded by Trustee Raga to approve the item. Upon roll call vote the following voted yes: Trustees Benford, Burgess, Oliver, Raga and Supervisor George. There were no nay votes. The motion passed.

VIII. AUDIT OF BILLS & CLAIMS

- IX. **APPROVAL OF TOWNSHIP BILLS & CLAIMS** (for 10/16/20 through 11/12/20) in the amount of **\$142,023.35**
 - i. Open Payables - \$22,419.18
 - ii. Paid Payables - \$119,604.17

A motion was made by Trustee Raga and seconded by Trustee Benford to approve the bills. Upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Trustees Benford, Burgess, Oliver, Raga and Supervisor George. The motion passed.

X. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Heritage Woods Request for Donations – Discussion with Possible Board Action.
- B. Meadowbrook Manor Request Donations – Discussion with Possible Board Action.
- C. Discussion of correspondence and “complaint” received by Township regarding FOIA matter and additional accusations.

A motion was made by Trustee Raga and seconded by Trustee Benford to table items A & B under New Business. Upon roll call vote the following voted yes: Trustees Benford, Burgess, Oliver, Raga and Supervisor George. There were no nay votes. The motion passed.

Item C was discussed at length between Trustee Burgess and Attorney Secler with no further action taken.

REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF AND CONTRACTORS

- A. Legal Report – Township Attorney: No written report.
- B. Senior Report – Lynne Woodard: No written report.
- C. Senior Report – Maureen Fox: No written report.
- D. Food Pantry Report – Dave Locke: No written report.
- E. General Assistance Report – Kymberlee Owens: No written report.
- F. Human Resource Report – Amy Albright: No written report.
- G. Banquets Report – Kelli Lizardo: No written report.

XI. ELECTED OFFICIALS & ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. **Assessor:** Written report provided.
- B. **Clerk:** No report.

C. Trustees:

- I. Alyssa Benford: No Accounting/Auditing Committee meeting in October. Meeting for Social Services will be moved to last Monday in November. Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.
- II. Ken Burgess: Youth Committee welcomes Jodi Ellis. Questioned Attorney Secler if he showed investigation report on Trustee Benford to her prior to showing to the Board. Attorney Secler responded with a "no".
- III. Maripat Oliver: Thanked Maureen on seniors wellness checks. No meetings until participants feel comfortable. Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.
- IV. Dennis Raga: Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- (1) Barbara Parker made a public comment.
- (2) Lee Bush Jr. made a public comment.
- (3) John Kraft made a public comment.
- (4) Kirk Allen made a public comment.
- (5) Joseph Johnson made a public comment.
- (6) Norman Brown made a public comment.
- (7) No email comments were received as confirmed by Clerk, post meeting.

XIII. ROLL CALL TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION (IF NECESSARY)

There was no Executive Session.

XIV. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

There was no Executive Session.

XV. POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

- A. Approval of December 19, 2019 Closed Session Meeting Minutes.
- B. Approval of September 15, 2020 Closed Session Meeting Minutes.
- C. Approval of Resolution 20-21, A Resolution Reporting the Determination of the DuPage Township Board of Trustees Regarding the Review of Closed Session Minutes Pursuant to Section 2.06 of the Illinois Open Meetings Act (for the period ending June 30, 2020).

There was no Executive Session. No action taken.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Trustee Benford and seconded by Trustee Raga to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Upon roll call vote the following votes yes: Trustees Benford, Burgess, Oliver (called in after roll-call was complete as Zoom call ~~dropped her~~ was disconnected), Raga and Supervisor George. All present having voted in favor, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Kulsum Ali
DuPage Township Clerk