

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of
Downers Grove Township Board of Trustees
4341 Saratoga Street, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515
April 18, 2024**

1. Call to Order

Supervisor Coultrap called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Coultrap invited everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum

Clerk Grimsby called the roll. Present were Supervisor Coultrap, Trustee Ricordati, Trustee Ferguson and Trustee McCloy. Absent: Trustee Ockrim, .

Elected and Appointed Officials present were Township Attorney, Al Alongi, and Township Clerk, Lorraine Grimsby.

Others present: Ms. Tsukuno, Ms. Sole.

4. Public Comment

Supervisor Coultrap asked if there was anyone who had comments to make.

Comments can be viewed at: dgtownship.com

With no further comments or discussion, Supervisor Coultrap ended the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

5. Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting for March 21, 2024, as Presented.

Trustee Ferguson made a Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Public Hearings for the DG Twp Board Meeting from March 21, 2024 as Presented. Trustee Ricordati seconded the Motion. There was no Trustee discussion.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Ricordati, "Aye", Trustee McCloy "Aye" Trustee Ferguson, "Aye" and Supervisor Coultrap "Aye". Absent: Trustee Ockrim. Motion carried.

6. Motion to Approve the Trustee Audit and Approval of Bills and Claims, as Presented

General Town Fund	4/01/2024 to 4/30/2024	\$ 38,460.26
General Road Fund	4/01/2024 to 4/30/2024	\$ 46,484.57

Trustee Ferguson made a Motion to Approve the Trustee Audit and Approval of Bills and Claims, as Presented, and the Motion was seconded by Trustee McCloy. There was no Trustee discussion.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Ricordati, "Aye", Trustee McCloy "Aye" Trustee Ferguson, "Aye", and Supervisor Coultrap "Aye". Absent: Trustee Ockrim. Motion carried.

8. a)Supervisor's Report

Supervisor Coultrap thanked the residents present for attending the Board meeting. Supervisor Coultrap stated reported on the following upcoming events:

- Shredding Event: Saturday, May 11, 2024, 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. A free service is brought to you by the Village of Downers Grove and Downers Grove Township, in partnership with Accurate Document Destruction.

- Flag Day Celebration: Join us for our Flag Day Celebration, Saturday, June 8, 2024, 11:00 AM at Oak Hill & Oak Crest Cemeteries. Located on Howard St. and Glenview Ave. Light snacks and refreshments provided by Downer Grove Township and Mission Barbecue. Hosted by Downers Grove Township and the American Legion Post #391 of Lombard.
- Senator John Curran: June 18, 2024, 10 am – 2 pm: will host an Unclaimed Property Event at the Downers Grove Township Senior Center.

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For classes and events at the Township Senior Center, please register at:

Register at: humanservices@dgtownship.com or 630-719-6670

Senior Center Report

Trustee Recordati stated that 360 seniors were in attendance for the week of 4/8 thru 4/12/24.

April 11th: we hit a Homerun Sold Out Baseball Social, where our seniors wore their favorite sports team clothing, played baseball themed games and enjoyed everyone's famous baseball food, hotdogs along with other baseball snacks.

Upcoming event: Kentucky Derby, Thursday, April 25, 12:00 – 2:00 pm and Friday, April 26, 12:00 – 2:00 PM. Downers Grove Township and Downers Grove Park District and Sponsored by Senior Living Experts will host the Kentucky Derby. Lunch will be served, games and lots of socialization. Seniors are excited about this event and love to dress in their "Derby Day" attire.

Trustee Ricordati stressed the importance of everyone taking our Brochures to meetings and events and spreading the word.

Brochure event schedules are available at: <https://www.dgtownship.com/senior-services/>

9. Assessor's Report

No report.

10. Highway Commissioner Report:

In the past month the Highway Department has been working on the following projects:

- * We started our spring brush pickup on April eighth. Section one went smooth and we were finished in a couple of days. We will start section two on Monday.

- * We were plagued by a rash of signs damaged by traffic in the last few weeks.

Two stop signs were struck by trucks in Brookeridge subdivision and one speed limit sign was hit in Farmingdale south subdivision. Crews replaced the signs and repaired the damage.

- *Crews continued cutting back overgrown right of ways in the Timberlake area.

They cut brush on the I-55 bridge and south frontage road area.

- * Crews cleaned storm sewer basins ahead of rainstorms in the past few weeks.

Debris from trees, garbage trucks and lawn mowing usually cause blockages leading to localized flooding in our subdivisions.

- * We started dirt and seed restoration from plow damage and from projects left over from late fall.

We also started doing tree stump restoration picking up the stump grindings from trees we removed from the right of way last fall and winter.

- * Crews went out with cold mix to patch potholes left from this winter. We will go over the township roads one more time in the next few weeks in an attempt to patch all the potholes before we get busy with our spring projects.

- * We started replacing damaged culverts in Tri-State subdivision and in the Downers Grove gardens. Typically a corrugated steel culvert pipe will last between twenty and fifty years depending on the amount of water in the ground.

- * Crews have been going through our open ditch subdivisions replacing gravel in intersection turn outs and by mailboxes. Typically gravel gets pounded out by traffic and the mail trucks in these spots and we install new gravel to help keep the road edges from breaking off.

* And finally, crews removed all of our snowplows and spreaders from our vehicles and got our trucks ready for our spring projects. All our salt has been moved to the dome and our salt bin has been washed and partially filled with road gravel for the start of our spring projects.

11. Old Business

There was no old business presented.

12. New Business

There was no new business presented.

13. Motion to Move to Executive Session pursuant to Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11) and Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (21).

No Closed Session

14. Motion to Return to Open Session

Not necessary.

15. Closed Session Report

None.

16. Motion to Adjourn

There being no further business to come before this Board, Supervisor Coultrap called for a Motion to Adjourn. Trustee Ferguson made a Motion to Adjourn. The Motion was seconded by Trustee McCloy. The Motion was carried by voice vote. The Meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lorraine Grimsby, Township Clerk