

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of
Downers Grove Township Board of Trustees
4341 Saratoga Street, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515
Thursday, June 20, 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. 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 May 20, 2024, as Presented.

Trustee Ferguson made a Motion to Approve the Minutes of the DG Twp Board Meeting from May 20, 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". Motion carried. Absent: Trustee Ockrim.

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

General Town Fund	5/01/2024 to 5/31/2024	\$ 80,309.44
General Road Fund	4/01/2024 to 4/30/2024	\$ 97,380.45

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 Ricordati. There was no Trustee discussion.

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

7. Supervisor's Report

a) Supervisor Coultrap announced that we received Trustee Ockrim's resignation as Township Trustee. On behalf of DGT, Supervisor Coultrap wished to Thank Trustee Ockrim for his service and dedication.

Supervisor Coultrap provided updates on the following upcoming events:

- Senator John Curran: June 18, 2024, 10 am – 2 pm: Unclaimed Property Event at the Downers Grove Township Senior Center was well attended.

- Monthly booklets of upcoming events are available at the Sr. Center, OR 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 attendance continues to increase and events are well attended.

Upcoming event

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

(listen to all announcements at: <https://www.dgtownship.com/clerk/#board-meetings>)

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

8. Assessor's Report

Trustee McCloy provided the following Assessor's report: We have had increased resident interactions due to the issuance of tax bills over the last month. The Assessment Team continues to work hard, efficiently and effectively to provide the best service possible to the stakeholders of Downers Grove Township. I have received numerous compliments from individuals who have worked with a member(s) of the team who have indicated the top level of service they have received.

9. Highway Commissioner Report:

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

- * Our tree crew finished our spring brush pickup in sections four and five bringing our spring pick up to a close.

- * Our mowers finished the first round of mowing on the township right of ways. We usually mow three times a year depending on weather and workload.

- * We finished our first round of ditching with our Gradall contractor in early June. During this round we reset grades on several ditches, installed a few French drains and replaced some driveway culverts as well. Subdivisions we worked in were Timber Lake, Secrists Subdivision, Thurlow off of Sixty Fourth st. Liberty Park and in the Gardens.

- *The Sheriff notified us of several trees which came down in storms and high winds over the last few weeks. Our crew responded to three and were able to remove two. The third tree split and ended up in a resident back yard. The rest of the tree left standing was near electrical lines and our tree contractor was called for removal.

- * Several residents also called in with work requests to remove fallen limbs from right of way trees due to the winds and storms.

- *Our tree crews diverted from the brush pickup to collect the reported limbs then went right back to picking up brush.

- *We continued using our track hoe with the brush cutting attachment off of 109th St to remove brush on the North and South sides of the road. Both sides of the road were covered with poison ivy and one of our crew members was exposed and ended up breaking out. We also took our hoe to Winfield township and spent a couple days helping them with some of their brush issues.

- * Three years ago, we signed an Alliance with the other eight townships to share equipment, man power and employee expertise in order to help save the residents of our respective townships money. This is a great example of how the alliance works.

10. Old Business

There was no old business presented.

11. New Business

There was no new business presented.

12. 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). Act 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11):

Discuss imminent or pending litigation and Act 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (21): Semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06.

Trustee Ricordati made a Motion to Move to Executive Session. Trustee McCloy 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.

13. Motion to Return to Open Session

Trustee McCloy made a Motion to Return to Open Session. 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.

14. Closed Session Report

No report.

15. 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 Ricordati. The Motion was carried by voice vote. The Meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lorraine Grimsby, Township Clerk