

2nd Decennial Meeting Minutes (held after July Monthly Meeting on July 18th, 2023)

As per the rules, this combined (both Township and Highway) meeting was conducted post the regular monthly meeting of Kendall Township, and discussion ensued as to the purpose and scope of this committee.

Section I: Meeting was called to order at 8:48 PM on July 18th, 2023

Section II: Pledge of Allegiance was completed

In attendance were the following:

Steve Gengler, Supervisor

Doug Westphal, Highway Commissioner

Trustees, Carolyn Pottinger, Doug Thanepohn, Zach Turnbow, and Don Hirsch.

Clerk Steve Grebner

Representing voters of Kendall Township for Highway Dept, none

Representing the voters of Kendall Township Daniel Ossell and Sandra Knutson-Grebner

Absent was Stan Bretthauer, Representative of Highway Dept.

Section III: Public comment was asked and Statement was made that it is important to ensure the value of the efforts, duties and functions of the Township. We are very lucky to have the type of people willing to work part time and without benefits. As the growth of the township continues to increase, at an increasing rate (something that is counter valent to trend in Illinois in total), this may not be the case much longer. As the demands of our township increase, and pressure to provide services to more people increase as well, we will need to recognize these undeniable facts.

Section IV: Approve last meeting minutes. As the last meeting of the Decennial Committee was part of the regular monthly meeting in May, those minutes were approved as part of that meeting's minutes. However, Clerk Grebner stated he will extract those meeting minutes, reference that and post them separately. Going forward, we will hold these meeting independent of, albeit before or after, the monthly meetings.

Section V: The review of service, laws and policies & procedures ensued, and points of interest were while we have no written formal intergovernmental agency agreements, we utilize a very strong bond with both the City of Yorkville as well as Kendall County to agree to provide Mutual assistance when necessary with effort going both ways. Those efforts include sharing not only equipment, but effort and expertise. In addition while we have not received any formal awards, the Highway Commissioner has been recognized by the Kendall County Sheriff and KenCOM for efforts above and beyond.

As for the laws, policies & procedures, training materials etc., the list provided in the form was quite extensive, and the township has made an effort to review and update a number of policies and resolutions in the past 12-18 months. In addition, it should be noted that while our township in NOT required to have an outside audit, we have secured one every year with positive reviews.

Section VI: Discussion ensued regarding next steps, and it was asked if the document referenced in the form regarding Governmental Efficiency that is on the TOI website could be printed and or a link provided on OUR township website. Supervisor said he would ensure a copy or two is available at the township office and Clerk Grebner said he would ensure the link is posted on our website as well.

Section VII: Next Meeting October 17th 2023 at 6:30 PM Note this meeting will occur PRIOR to our regular Monthly Township Meeting. It will be publicly posted as well as posted on our website prior to the meeting

Section IX: Meeting was adjourned at 9:49 PM Moved by Don Hirsch and Seconded by Carolyn Pottinger. Unanimously approved by Voice Vote.

Respectfully submitted by Steve Grebner, Kendall Township Clerk

