

## State of Illinois

Kendall County

Town of Kendall

At the regular monthly Town Meeting held in said town and county, in the state of Illinois at Kendall Township Hall on Tuesday April 18, 2023. Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Supervisor Steve Gengler. Township officials present were Steve Gengler Supervisor, Doug Westphal Highway Commissioner, Cathy Scalise, Kendall Township Assessor, Steve Grebner, Town Clerk and trustees: Carolyn Pottinger, Zach Turnbow, Don Hirsch and Doug Thanepohn. Guest present was resident/voter Sandra Knutson-Grebner

Supervisor Gengler lead the board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Sheriff Department Update: Sheriff's Department Rep was unable to attend and Clerk Grebner reminded the trustees of the TRIAD Resource Fair to be held on Thursday April 27<sup>th</sup> at the Oswego Fire Station #1. Many service providers for seniors will be in attendance there. Registration is requested and lunch will be served.

Minutes from March meeting were read. Motion was then made to approve the minutes by Doug Thanepohn and seconded by Zach Turnbow and motion passed.

Section VI (A) Discuss and approve Tentative Road Budget was next on list and Highway Commissioner Westphal, indicated funds were moved from General Road to Special Bridge for funding of bridge replacement planned to be started in fiscal year 2024 and finalized in fiscal year 2025. It was also discussed that due to changes in how orders are fulfilled attention was drawn to line item 840 for payment of replacement 6 wheel township truck as discussed in last months meeting. Motion was made by Doug Thanepohn and seconded by Don Hirsch. After asking for discussion and hearing none, roll call vote was taken and motion passed unanimously.

Section VI (B) Discuss and approve Tentative Township Budget. Supervisor Gengler drew attention to an increase in line item #912 -Charitable Donations as well as maintenance line item for Window replacement for Township building - presently getting quotes on this but they are rotting out and will need to be replaced. Motion was made by Don Hirsch and seconded by Zach Turnbow to approve. After asking for and hearing no further discussion, roll was called and motion passed unanimously.

General Funds and Road District bills were reviewed and motion to approve was made by Doug Thanepohn and seconded by Carolyn Pottinger. Motion was approved unanimously.

### Reports:

**Assessor:** Assessor reported that there was significant conversation regarding Drones at the recent convention. Rules regarding how and if to use were discussed and to summarize:

- A license is needed to fly them
- DO NOT SHOOT at them
- Cannot Fly over houses or backyards.

So in essence drones for the purpose of Assessor's role are pointless. Also, Assessor's website is once again showing photos. Residents can go to the county website (either direct or from a link on Assessor's subpage of our website) to view photos of their home that are on file.

Question of when the tax bills will be going out – last year early May, but we do not have the information as of this meeting. This information is expected soon but the good news, as was shown by assessor in Annual Meeting presentation Kendall Township and Road District rates have been trending down. Houses prices seem to remain stable and homes continue selling well.

**Highway Commissioner:** Follow up on budget conversation, regarding 6 wheel truck replacement. Use of competitive bidding tool "Sourcewell" is working well but still will have issues with getting necessary coordination with chassis supplier and Upfitting company to complete the build. As always, Highway Commissioner will keep trustees up to date with any changes to status. Question regarding when will Pavillion Road repaving begin? Commissioner said it will be after the Eldemain bridge is opened up (scheduled for end of May 2024) so hopefully completed in 2024. Highway commissioner did state he would follow up with Fran Klaas County Engineer to get confirmation of dates if possible.

**Clerk's Report:** Today (4/18/23) was second in series of Kendall County Hazard Mitigation meetings. Clerk Grebner attended and supplied documents to provide our requested input (mitigation plans) prior to the July 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. Also Clerk will commit to including the Sheriff activity for the month in future Clerk reports

**Supervisor:**

Supervisor stated that we have been successful in securing volunteers from the voters in Kendall Township to participate in the required Decennial Committee Meetings. (see discussion point (A) below) In other business, we are presently reviewing and entertaining competitive pricing and service agreement for our Garbage Service – more to come at next meeting. In addition, the work on the Septic System is completed and we are just awaiting completion of the new water softener/treatment portion of this at this time. On some other good news, we have been informed that the back up generator should be delivered by end of April – we would have to schedule installation, but this is significantly sooner than what we were originally informed of when we secured contract. The lease is up for renewal for our tenant FiberFin and we are very pleased with them and continue to have a very positive relationship with them.

**Discussion Items:**

- (A) We are going to have our first "organizational" meeting (required to occur prior to JUNE 1) during our regular Monthly Meeting on May 16<sup>th</sup>. As of now the intent is to combine the Decennial Committee meetings for both the Township and The Road District into one as is allowed under the statute.

**Action Items: None**

**Other Items/Information:**

No other items were brought forth and motion to adjourn was made by Carolyn Pottinger and Seconded by Zach Turnbow at 9:17 PM. Approved unanimously by voice vote. Meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting May 16th, 2023 at 7:30 PM at Township Building.

Respectfully submitted by Steve Grebner Kendall Township Clerk

