

## State of Illinois

Kendall County

Town of Kendall

At the regular monthly Town Meeting held in said town and country, in the state of Illinois at Kendall Township Hall on Tuesday September 20, 2022. 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 all trustees: Carolyn Pottinger Doug Thanepohn, Don Hirsch, Zach Turnbow. Guests present were Jeff Wehri, Chairman of the Kendall County Historical Commission and Matt Asselmeier, Senior Planner for County Planning and Zoning. There were no other guests present.

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

There was no representation by the County Sheriff and Paul Kubinski the Sheriff's township representative supplied an update to the board. (see Appendix A)

Matt Asselmeier provided a status of the proposed Historic Structure Survey, a plan to identify and catalog historic structures in Kendall and Bristol Townships. These two townships were selected to pilot this program for the county as both are in that sweet spot of not having too much development Pressure and not being so rural as to be efficient in the identification and cataloging process. Funding is supplied by Federal Government through the State and County at a 70/30 State/County split. The intended structures are churches, farm houses and barns as well as other buildings on family farms. These structures will be added into a database with the goal to have them overlaid on the GIS with an indicator of "Historic Building". What the County is looking for is a group of volunteers to accompany an official to the approximately 158 sites already identified as well as using local knowledge and insight to potentially find more. Volunteers will be paired with an official, work 9-5 weekdays with a tentative plan to achieve this in 16-20 days. Goal is to secure 10 volunteers for this effort. Timeline will be later this fall with a kickoff meeting and more details as the harvest season comes to a close. Discussion ensued and it was asked what constitutes "Historic" and it was shared that any building in excess of 50 years of age could be considered "Historic" if other parameters were met. Clerk Grebner said he would post the presentation shown on our website and the presentation was completed. Board thanked them for sharing this with us and will look for more information as it is forthcoming.

Minutes from August meeting were read and motion to approve minutes was moved by Doug Thanepohn and seconded by Zach Turnbow and motion passed with a unanimous vote by supervisor and trustees.

Voted on Resolution 22-08 Pay schedule of Elected Officials, (action item VII (A)). Motion was made by Doug Thanepohn and seconded by Don Hirsch and after much discussion regarding the changing of the frequency of the Clerk's pay and how to mitigate any impact to the fiscal year budget, it was sufficiently illustrated to the board that the clerk's payment remaining salary will be equally distributed monthly over the remaining months in the fiscal year rather than quarterly thus making no impact to the budget. Motion carried unanimously.

General Funds and Road District bills were reviewed and motion to approve was made by Don Hirsch and seconded by Zach Turnbow. Motion was approved unanimously.

**Old Business:**

Highway Commissioner: Since last meeting there have been 2 accidents at Walker and Rt 47 intersection. Luckily no serious injuries were suffered.

Assessor: Staff continues to do well on getting updates made to system.

Supervisor: Supervisor has been checking on status of Grant for Generator – person at county on vacation so no news but others who were at same meeting as us have received their grant so we should hear something before October meeting.

**New Business:**

Highway Commissioner: Our expenses are right in line with budgets projections so we are looking good going into the fall and winter

Assessor: September 22 is the target for posting assessments and assessor is anticipating high call volumes due to people appealing their assessed values. However that was the thought last year but the volume was similar to years past. Assessor will provide to clerk all new county links and info for posting on the website when she receives.

**Clerk's Report:**

Clerk Grebner reported the updates to the Recognition of Service Policy as recommended in last month's meeting by board. Reviewed changes and it will be voted on by the board as Action Item XI(A) later in meeting. Also did update group on Township Seal status – still working on a better mock up using the input from board last month. Should have something to show by Oct meeting.

Supervisor: Approached a local vendor with proper equipment to work on removing the old sign outside the building. Very close by and would like to utilize local residents to do the work if we can.

Also discussed the status of the Township Cemetery on Pavillion Road. Would like to ensure the two parcels that make up the cemetery are properly recorded and in the proper tax code. Supervisor will revisit this and work with assessor and county to ensure movement it taking place on that.

Motion was made by Don Hirsch and seconded by Zach Turnbow to approve Resolution 22-09 Kendall Township Recognition of Service Policy. As mentioned above changes were made and roll call vote was done and motion passed unanimously.

As per agenda next item for discussion was the Township of Illinois Annual Education Conference. This is the first one since the pandemic and we reviewed the early registration options. Early bird registration ended August 1<sup>st</sup> but pre-event registration is still only \$10 more and goes until October 28<sup>th</sup>. On site registration is \$40 more so it is beneficial to pre-register. Historically a number of Township Officials have attended in the past.

As per agenda it was moved by Zach Turnbow and seconded by Doug Thanepohn to go to Executive session as allowed by Statute 5ILCS 120/2 ( C )(5) to discuss the purchase of real estate. Hearing no discussion roll call was taken and motion passed unanimously.

Roll call vote to reconvene Open Session was taken and passed unanimously. Open session notes continue.

Under informational category, Trustee Turnbow informed the board that there is going to be a food/toy drive by Kendall County Food Pantry for the holidays, and we may be asked to use the Township office as a drop off point. Information only at this time and more will be forthcoming at future meetings as we get closer to the holidays.

Motion to adjourn was made by Zach Turnbow and Seconded by Don Hirsch at 9:58PM. Approved unanimously by voice vote. Meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting October 18, 2022 at 7:30 PM at Township Building.

Respectfully submitted by Steve Grebner Kendall Township Clerk

Appendix A Sheriff's Rep written report:

I don't really have much to present at this time except to extend an invitation to any seniors from the Lisbon and Kendall Township areas who might want to be involved in our local Triad. The Kendall County Triad meets on the second Monday of every month at 0900 at the Beecher Center in Yorkville and the participation on the board from our seniors has declined over the last couple of years. Below is a link to the State Triad info as well as a brief description of the Kendall Triad.

<https://illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/seniors/triad.html>

The Kendall County TRIAD is a joint effort by Law Enforcement, Seniors in the Community and Senior Providers of the Community. The TRIAD empowers senior citizens to become more involved in community programs, including crime prevention programs, educational seminars and implementing means to make the community a safer place for senior citizens. The ultimate goal of TRIAD is to increase awareness of crimes against seniors.

The Kendall County TRIAD is always looking for community Seniors to participate in our program. The Kendall County TRIAD meets at 0900 on the second Monday of the month at the Beecher Center, 908 Game farm Rd, Yorkville. If you are interested in learning more about this program, please contact the Senior Service Center at 630-553-5777.