

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 November 21, 2023. Meeting was called to order at 7:46 PM by Supervisor Steve Gengler. Township officials present were Steve Gengler Supervisor, Doug Westphal Highway Commissioner, Steve Grebner, Town Clerk, Cathy Scalise, Kendall Township Assessor and trustees: Carolyn Pottinger, Zach Turnbow, Doug Thanepohn and Don Hirsch.

Public Guests included Dan Kramer, attorney, Matt Asselmier the County Zoning Director, as well as Andy and Bobby Schwartz, owners of AB Schwartz LLC who are requesting a zoning change and wanted to present to the Township Board.

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

Section III: Sheriff Department Update: Sheriff's Department Rep Deputy Paul Kubinski was in attendance and shared the handout for Adult Protective Services regarding exploitation of Seniors in our society. He also discussed the potential for taking the Town Hall meeting concept out on the road to the more rural areas of our county (of which the southern part of Kendall Township fits that description). Clerk Grebner supplied a written report of Sheriff activity in township for month of November to date as well as a wrap up of October. (See Attachment A.) Numbers of incidents seem to be tracking historical levels with a seasonal uptick in accidents as more ag machinery is on the road.

Section IV: Public Comment – Dan Kramer presented the proposal to the board requesting a zoning change for the property known as Grainco FS from A-1 (Ag) to M-3 Light Manufacturing. Attorney Kramer reviewed the Documents and answered questions from the board, regarding reasoning behind request for change as he shared with the Zoning committee at earlier meeting. Board took information as well as packet under advisement and would make decision later in meeting under action assignment (Section X subsection (D)).

Section V: Minutes from July meeting were read. Motion was then made to approve the minutes by Carolyn Pottinger and seconded by Don Hirsch and motion was approved unanimously.

Section VI: Financial Business: 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 by voice vote. Supervisor Gengler at this time did bring to the attention of the Board the recent change in the recommended payment for General Assistance to be increased from \$345 to \$425 per payment.

Reports:

Assessor: Assessor stated that we are in good shape, Board of Review is still ongoing with <30 still active and with only 16 in person hearings scheduled. Question was raised regarding the hearings and our Township's assigned dates for hearings are December 4, 5 and 8. The hearings themselves are only 15 minutes in duration, and taxpayer is given opportunity to provide factual rebuttal to the valuation. Yorkville TIF review meeting is being held on November 28 at 3:40 PM at Yorkville City Hall. Question regarding TIF Property tax process was raised and answer was, "Property in a TIF area DO pay taxes, but they are not distributed as they are normally done."

Highway Commissioner: Truck Chassis is to be delivered to Bonnells for Upfitting in 2 weeks. However there is no guarantee when that will be done. Highway Commissioner is going to have conversation with Bonnell to ensure that if we store the chassis at our facility (to ensue it is inside) we will not lose our place in line – we want to keep it as protected as possible.

Clerk's Report: Shared copy of Sheriff's Dept Activity – (as mentioned above). See attachment "A"

Clerk Grebner showed the mock up of the New Township Website, as constructed by Totally Townships. It looks very nice and is platform friendly (phone, tablet or PC) email links work and the Calendar was a feature that Assessor Supervisor and Clerk really liked. In our review both Clerk and Supervisor did notice the 2021 and 2022 archives were not present and Clerk Grebner did reach out to developer for response. We are looking into our Google analytics access as well. All trustees were provided the test link to view at their convenience. Unless there is something why we can't get our older Archives added we will turn it live prior to next month's meeting.

Supervisor: Supervisor quickly reviewed the presentation made to the Zoning Committee regarding the Grainco FS/ AB Schwartz request for zoning change. Zoning committee provided a positive recommendation to board but there was clarification made regarding the statement of a "Legal non-conforming use" meaning a use can be grandfathered in and while no longer conforming to the zoning type, as long as it does NOT cease for a period of 6 months or more, it can continue to operate legally. That rule follows the "use" not the owner of the property. So FS or the new owners can continue to operate the LP/Fuel portion of the property as a tenant if the property does in fact sell. Discussion ensued regarding trustees wanting more time to review documents and this was address in action assignment (D).

Action Assignment A: Discuss and Vote on Tentative Approval of Draft Road District Levy. Review and vote on the Tentative approval of the Draft Road District Levy Ordinance #23-05 Motion was made to approve by Doug Thanepohn and seconded by Carolyn Pottinger. Request for discussion was made, hearing none, a roll call vote was taken and motion passed unanimously.

Action Assignment B Discuss and Vote on Tentative Approval of Draft Township Levy. Review and vote on the Tentative approval of the Draft Township Levy Ordinance #23-06 Motion was made to approve by Don Hirsch and seconded by Doug Thanepohn. Request for discussion was made, hearing none, a roll call vote was taken and motion passed unanimously.

Action Assignment C: Motion to appoint Supervisor Role the Open Meetings Act Officer. We as a public body are required to follow the open meetings act. While we have been following this both in letter and spirit of the law, it was advised at the State Township Meeting we should appoint an "official" Open Meetings Act Officer. After some discussion it was agreed that the officer should be held by a position not and individual. The supervisor, Steve Gengler, indicated he would take on that responsibility. Motion was made by Don Hirsch, Seconded by Doug Thanepohn. Call for comment was made and discussion regarding what exactly constitutes a "meeting" ensued. Does a social event where 3 or more voting members are present constitute a "Meeting" if no business is discussed? Clerk asked if we all attend a football game or a wake, that surely doesn't constitute a meeting if no business is discussed? Roll call vote was taken supervisor Gengler and trustees Hirsch, Thanepohn, Turnbow voted "Aye" and trustee Pottinger voted present. Motion carried.

Action Assignment D: Recommendation from Township board to Planning Commission for Zoning petition #23-32 and #23-33 on the Grainco FS Inc. properties. Discussion ensued regarding the volume of information, and being uncomfortable making a decision without proper time to review said documents. After listening to the presentation, as well as looking at the documents, the motion was made to table any decision on these petitions until the December Monthly Meeting and provide ample time for any additional public comment. Motion was made by Doug Thanepohn and seconded by Don Hirsch. After hearing no additional comments roll call vote was taken and motion passed unanimously.

Other Items/Information: None

No other items were brought forth and motion to adjourn was made by by Zach Turnbow and Seconded by Doug Thanepohn at 9:27 PM. Approved unanimously by voice vote. Meeting was adjourned.

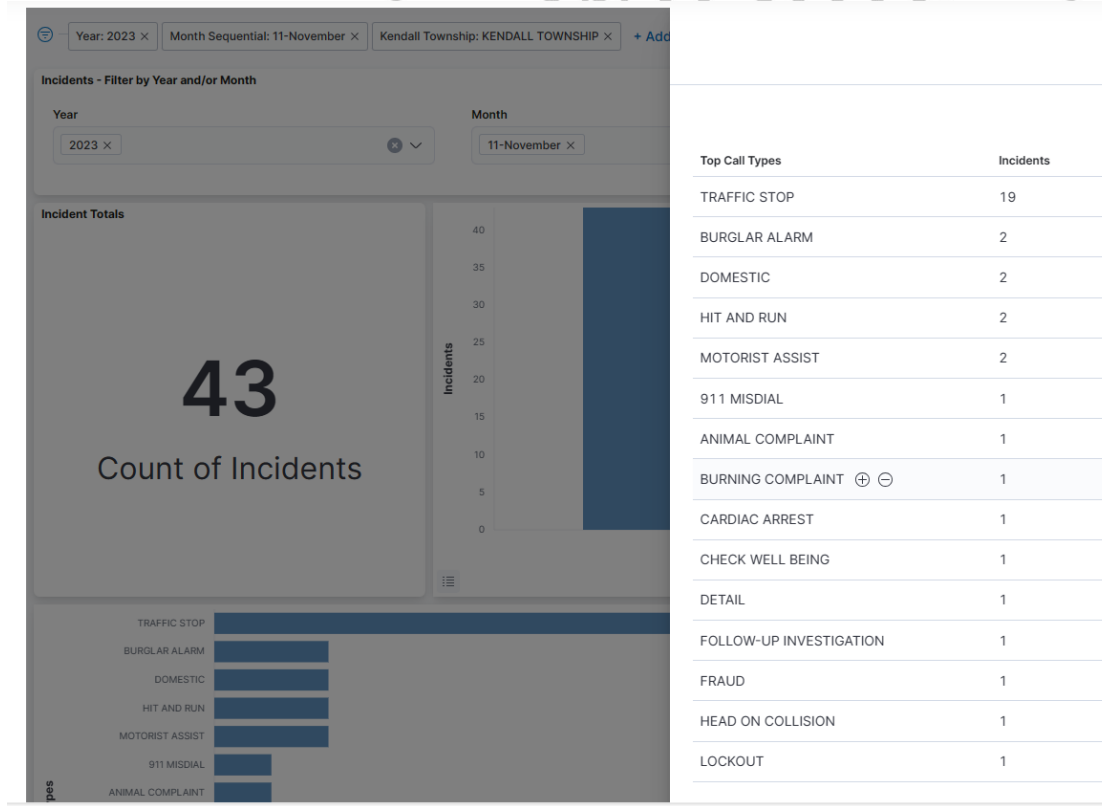
Next meeting December 19, 2023 at 7:30 PM at Township Building.

Respectfully submitted by Steve Grebner Kendall Township Clerk

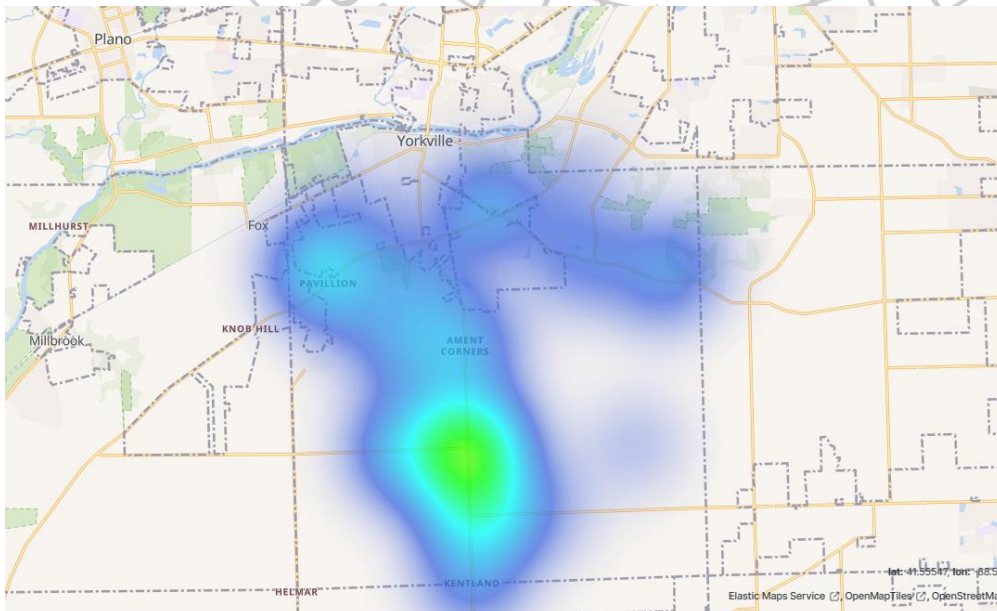
Attachment A

Kendall County Sheriff's activity for Nov (MTD)

Incidents



Breakdown by location and type



Full Month October 2023



Top Call Types	Incidents
TRAFFIC STOP	21
BURGLAR ALARM	9
FOLLOW-UP INVESTIGATION	7
MOTORIST ASSIST	4
911 HANGUP	3
911 MISDIAL	3
DOMESTIC	3
PROPERTY DAMAGE ACCIDENT	3
ROAD OBSTRUCTION	3
ANIMAL COMPLAINT	2
PAPER SERVICE	2
FRAUD	2
PERSONAL INJURY ACCIDENT	2
ROLLOVER ACCIDENT	2
SUSP CIRCUMSTANCES	2

3 year comparison for November



Comparison across Townships

Township	Total Incidents	Traffic Stops	% of total incidents county wide
Big Grove	30	9	3.57%
Lisbon	40	27	4.76%
Na Au Say	37	16	4.40%
Seward	38	3	4.52%
Little Rock	41	8	4.88%
Fox	49	17	5.83%
Kendall	43	19	5.11%
Bristol	201	26	23.90%
Oswego	362	83	43.04%
Total	841	203	100%