

**Minutes of Blackberry Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
43W390 Main Street Road, Elburn, IL 60119**

November 8, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: At the Blackberry Town Hall, Supervisor Esther Steel called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Trustees present were Judie Childress and Eric Anderson. Also present were Highway Commissioner Rod Feece and Clerk Lisa Hodge. Trustee Harley Veldhuizen was absent.

PLEDGE: Supervisor Steel asked Trustee Anderson to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

CLERK: Roll Call: Clerk Hodge called the roll: Anderson-here, Childress-here, Steel-here.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Nothing at this time.

MINUTES: The Trustees reviewed the minutes of the October 11, 2022 regular monthly meeting and the Special Meeting from October 11, 2022. Trustee Anderson made a motion to approve both sets of minutes as presented. Trustee Childress seconded. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Personnel: Supervisor Steel asked for a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Personnel. Trustee Childress so moved, Trustee Anderson seconded. Clerk Hodge called the roll: Anderson-yes, Childress-yes, Steel-yes. The meeting entered into Executive Session at 7:03 p.m.

The meeting returned to open session at 7:08 p.m.

SUPERVISOR: Appoint Trustee to fill Vacancy: Supervisor Steel announced that the Board selected Mr. William Earle to fill the vacant Trustee position. Clerk Hodge called the roll: Anderson-yes, Childress-yes, Steel-yes. The motion carried. Clerk Hodge swore in Mr. William Earle.

ROAD COMMISSIONER: Highway Commissioner Rod Feece reported that he has been in constant contact with Katie from LRS and the new refuse pickup program is mostly going well. The Ag and Commercial pickup has had a few problems, however, but that's getting worked out.

His crew has been busy getting the trucks ready for winter.

ASSESSOR: No report.

TRUSTEES: Trustee Anderson updated the Board on the website re-design: adding a gallery page and submitting a prototype. Trustee Anderson shared that he received an email from Drew Frasz, asking him to sit on the Mill Creek SSA Advisory Board. Trustee Anderson will research this opportunity and make sure there would be no conflict of interest.

Trustee Childress reported that Blackberry Township needs a 708 Inc. Board member.

CEMETERY: Sexton Jeanne Chybik reviewed the report with the Board. The August Ride in Kane invoice just arrived.

SUPERVISOR: Levy Ordinance Distribution: Supervisor Steel reviewed the DRAFT Town Levy with the Board and asked Highway Commissioner Rod Feece to review the DRAFT Road District Levy.

Supervisor Steel has asked the Insurance Company to provide open enrollment information, because there is a lot of great information to share.

Discuss/Approve Rider to Ordinance 2022/23-3: Intergovernmental Agreement Between Blackberry Township and the County of Kane for Household Hazardous Waste Collection Services and Rider to the Offer to Contract (RFP-22-010) with Cleaning Harbors Environmental Services, Inc.: Highway Commissioner Rod Feece reviewed the Rider with the Board. Discussion ensued.

After discussion, Supervisor Steel asked for a motion to approve the Rider to Ordinance 2022/23-3. Trustee Childress so moved, Trustee Anderson seconded. Clerk Hodge called the roll: Anderson-yes, Childress-yes, Steel-yes. The motion carried.

BILLS: The Board reviewed the bills.

Road: Highway Commissioner Rod Feece reviewed some of the larger bills. A motion to pay the Road bills was made by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Childress. Clerk Hodge called for a roll call vote to authorize the expenditures: Anderson-yes, Childress-yes, Steel-yes. The motion carried.

Town/Cemetery: A motion to pay the Town/Cemetery bills was made by Trustee Childress, seconded by Trustee Anderson. Clerk Hodge called for a roll call vote to authorize the expenditures: Anderson-yes, Childress-yes, Steel-yes. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Nothing at this time.

NEW BUSINESS: Clerk Hodge asked the Board to review the handout of Holiday dates and the schedule of regular meeting dates, for 2023.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Nothing at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Review Executive Session Minutes: Supervisor Steel asked for a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing the Executive Session minutes. Trustee Childress so moved, Trustee Anderson seconded. Clerk Hodge called the roll: Anderson-yes, Childress-yes, Steel-yes. The meeting entered into Executive Session at 7:50 p.m.

The meeting returned to open session at 7:55 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Earle, seconded by Trustee Anderson. The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa L. Hodge, Blackberry Township Clerk

