

## **BOARD MEETING**

Ela Town Hall  
1155 E. RT 22, Lake Zurich, IL  
Thursday, July 14, 2022 - 7:00p.m.  
Meeting Minutes - Approved August 11, 2022

This meeting will be conducted by audio or video conference and may not have a physically present quorum of the Ela Township Board because of a disaster declaration related to COVID-19 public health concerns affecting the Township. Pursuant to Section 7(c)(2) of the Open Meetings Act, the Supervisor has determined that an in-person meeting at the Township building with all participants is not practical or prudent because of the disaster. Township officials, legal counsel, and the Township Manager will not be physically present at the Township Hall, if that is unfeasible due to the disaster. Since physical public attendance at the Township Hall may be limited or not feasible, alternative arrangements for public access to hear the meeting has been made available by contacting the Supervisor's Office at (847) 438-7823 for the Zoom meeting link or the phone number to call into the meeting prior to 1:00 p.m. on July 14, 2022. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, the meeting will also be audio or video recorded and made available to the public, as provided by law.

1. Call to Order: Supervisor Palmblad called the July 14, 2022 Ela Township Board Meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.
2. Board Roll Call: Present were Supervisor Palmblad, Clerk Prouty, Trustees Bowman, Sikes, Ufodike, and Wilhoit, Assessor Herr, Community Programs Director Dillon, Highway Superintendent DePouw, Director Marx, and Management Assistant Snyder
3. Pledge of Allegiance: Supervisor Palmblad led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. Award Township Scholarships to the following students:  
Supervisor Palmblad and Trustee Ufodike presented the following Lake Zurich high school students scholarships:  
Armaan Anaand - Iowa State, Kathryn Choi - Rose-Hulman, Abigail Eckman - Whitewater Wisconsin, Jocelyn Halkar - Truett McDonnell, Kaley Kidd - Hope, Melissa Kubin - Central Michigan, Lindsey Schwab - Illinois, Kate Thompson - Olivet Nazarine, Julia Touvannas - Marquette and Amelia Young - Indiana.
5. Public Comments: At this time, we welcome any public comments, three minutes a piece or a total of fifteen minutes. At this time Shari Gullo introduced her Peace Pole co-committee: Cathy McCauley, Marcia Marhall, Wendy Connelly, and Alicia Timm. Shari Gullo then presented the latest update on The Ela Peace Pole to the board.
6. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of June 9, 2022:  
A motion by Trustee Bowman and seconded by Trustee Wilhoit to approve the June 9, 2022 board meeting minutes with any additions or corrections. Motion passed 5 to 0. There were no additions or corrections.

7. Committee Meeting Minutes – accept meeting minutes from COW (6/29) –Community Center Committee (6/24) - Communication Committee (6/28)–Health & Wellness () –Highway (6/27) - Park Committee (5/17)– Cemetery ():

A motion by Trustee Bowman and seconded by Trustee Ufodike to accept the following Committee meeting minutes COW (6/29) –Community Center Committee (6/24) - Communication Committee (6/28) - Highway () - Park Committee (5/17). Motion passed 5 to 0.

8. Approval of Board Audit from 6/7/2022 to 7/11/2022:

TOTAL GENERAL TOWN FUND-----	\$ 69,099.73
TOTAL GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND-----	\$ 0.00
TOTAL GENERAL ROAD FUND-----	\$ 14,715.58
TOTAL PERMANENT ROAD FUND-----	\$ 23,365.46
TOTAL PARK MAINTENANCE-----	\$ 35,810.40
TOTAL CEMETERY FUND-----	\$ 0.00
TOTAL PAYROLL-----	\$ 149,182.38

TOTAL ALL FUNDS-----\$ 292,173.55

A motion by Trustee Sikes and seconded by Trustee Bowman to authorize the payment of the 06/07/2022 to 07/11/ 2022 board audit of \$292,173.55. Motion passed 5 to 0.

9. Monthly Updates from Elected Officials and Department Heads (Assessor – Bus – Cemetery –Health & Wellness –Highway –Senior – Youth):

Supervisor Report: The installation of the fitness park at Knox Park will begin on 7/25/2022. Attended Metro meeting last night at Elk Grove Township.

Clerks Report: None.

Trustees Reports:

Bowman: Parks Committee meeting July 19, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

Sikes:

Ufodike: Community Center Committee meeting September 23, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

Wilhoit: Health and Wellness Committee meeting August 8, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

Assessor: Full report will be attached to the minutes.

Community Center: A part-time chef has been hired. Volunteers are needed for the fish boil on August 12, 2022 at the Community Center from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. The October, November, and December Newsletter will be going out shortly. The Community Center will start being open again until 7:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. There will be no Teen Club this school year first term due to a lack of bus service.

Health and Wellness: Full report will be attached to the minutes.

Highway Report: Full report will be attached to the minutes.

Bus Report: None

Cemetery Report: None

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

10. Resolution 2022-07 - Whistleblower Protection – consideration & possible action to approve Resolution 2022-07 adopting a Whistleblower Protection Policy for Ela Township:  
A motion by Trustee Bowman and seconded by Trustee Sikes to approve Resolution 2022-07 adopting a Whistleblower Protection Policy for Ela Township. Motion passed 5 to 0.
11. Whistleblower Protection Policy – consideration & possible action to approve the Whistleblower Protection Policy: A motion by Trustee Bowman and seconded by Trustee Sikes to approve the Whistleblower Protection Policy. Motion passed 5 to 0.
12. Peace Pole Discussion: Discussion and update provided by Shari Gullo was presented under public comments. The Ela Peace Pole will be dedicated on September 21, 2022.
13. Daniel Lesus Architects – consideration & possible action to approve architectural drawings for second floor emergency exit at Town Hall: A motion by Trustee Wilhoit and seconded by Trustee Ufodike to approve architectural drawings for second floor emergency exit at Town Hall. Motion passed 5 to 0.
14. Executive Session: None needed at this time.
15. Consideration and possible action on items discussed in closed session
16. Adjourn: A motion by Trustee Bowman and seconded Trustee Sikes to adjourn at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Clerk Lucy Prouty

  
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Ela Township

August 8 2022

Trustee Larry Bowman

Supervisor Gloria M. Palmblad  
Trustee Joel Sikes

Clerk Lucy A. Prouty  
Trustee Tosi Ufodike

Trustee Laurie Wilhoit