

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 August 16, 2022. Meeting was called to order at 7:33 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.

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 had previously supplied some information regarding the new Mental Health 988 number and informed Clerk Grebner that due to staffing issues, he would not be able to attend our monthly meetings for the next few months. He hopes to return when staffing numbers increase but wanted to remind elected officials if any issues arise to reach out to him and he will get back to them.

There were no other guests present.

Minutes from July meetings were read and motion to approve minutes was moved by Don Hirsch and seconded by Zach Turnbow and motion passed with a unanimous vote by supervisor and trustees.

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.

Old Business:

Highway Commissioner: No Old Business

Assessor: Continued input for drawings and measurements. Very happy with staff's work Making progress in updating older data and getting caught up – assessor hopes this year will be the biggest year of effort and once caught up maintenance will be ongoing but much more manageable.

Supervisor: Supervisor, Highway Commissioner and Clerk appeared before the Committee of the Whole for Kendall County to formally explain request for PPP funds for the Back up Generator for the Township building. It was well received and seems to be progressing. Really no idea of the time frame of the approval process as we were one of 5 different requests made to the committee. One point brought to our attention was that they cannot approve PPP funds for expenditures made prior to approval so the fact that we paid a down-payment as to secure the equipment (due to up to a 60+ week backlog) would reduce our grant by that amount.

New Business:

Highway Commissioner: Final payment for repaving made to DDD came in under estimate by about \$25K – Good news!

Assessor: Assessments turned into County on time!! New construction numbers are in for 2022 in Kendall Township. Numbers are as follows:

Total Farm New Construction:	\$54,707
Total Non Farm New Construction:	\$15,474,351
Total New Construction:	\$15,802,058

This is up about \$2.5 Million from last year.

We were notified from School District that they purchased a property (formerly commercial property) to convert to an Early Childhood Center. This will impact us slightly as it's tax base will now be different.

Assessor is getting quotes for new laptops for the staff.

Clerk's Report:

Clerk Grebner reported on the traffic on our website, and while unable to secure complete updated data from TOI (due to vacation of person able to extract data) we have seen quite a bit of traffic on the site – mostly (and expectedly) on the Assessor's page. Clerk Grebner will try and get complete updated data for site for next meeting, but all trustees seem pleased with the website – but question was asked is this reducing any calls to assessor, or potentially increasing calls??? Very hard to say one way or the other.

Clerk passed around a mock up of a Township Seal – as had been discussed in previous meetings. While clerk used public domain images, it was stated to do this correctly we may need an artist or graphic designer to do this. Clerk Grebner said he would take examples to an artist friend and get their opinion and share with the board at next meeting. Trustee Turnbow said he would assist in the completion of this as well.

Clerk also shared the QR code developed to take people directly to our website – and recommended that this be made part of any and all electronic correspondence to constituents. This will hopefully drive more people to the site and use the tools and links provided to do more self service.

Supervisor: Discussion ensued regarding the PPR report (Personal Property Replacement) funds provided to the Township. Newly elected officials asked about this and here is an explanation of what the PPR is:

"Personal property replacement taxes (PPRT) are revenues collected by the state of Illinois and paid to local governments to replace money that was lost by local governments when their powers to impose personal property taxes on corporations, partnerships, and other business entities were taken away.

These taxes resulted when the new Illinois Constitution directed the legislature to abolish business personal property taxes and replace the revenue lost by local government units and school districts. In 1979, a law was enacted to provide for statewide taxes to replace the monies lost to local governments."

Here are the amounts provided to Kendall Township:

Road District:

\$46K Fiscal Year 2022; \$49.5K Fiscal Year 2023

Township General Fund:

\$17.9K Fiscal Year 2022; \$19.2K Fiscal Year 2023

Voted on Resolution 22-07 Payment of Payroll Liabilities (action assignment A) Clarifying that payment must be made by 15 of each month and due to our meeting schedule this allows us to verify and approve those payment amounts at the next meeting following payment each month. This reaffirms and re-codifies the practice we have been following.

Motion was made (Don Hirsch) and seconded (Doug Thanepohn) request for discussion occurred and motion was passed unanimously on roll call vote.

Discussion ensued on Resolution 22-08 Pay schedule of Elected Officials, (action item b) and after much discussion regarding an equitable solution of timing for officials and there is no impact to budget (fiscal year) it was decided to table this as we do more research on the best way to structure this.

Review and discussion of Resolution 22-09 Kendall Township Recognition of Service Policy. Trustees correctly the mention of individuals by name in examples and requested that they be removed and made more "generic" in description. Clerk Grebner said he will ensure the changes are ready for next month's meeting so we can vote on this resolution.

Motion to adjourn was made by Carolyn Pottinger and Seconded by Don Hirsch at 9:18PM. Approved unanimously by voice vote. Meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting September 20, 2022 at 7:30 PM at Township Building.

Respectfully submitted by Steve Grebner Kendall Township Clerk