

**DOWNERS GROVE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC HEARING HIGHWAY BUDGET
MARCH 19, 2015**

The hearing on Highway Budget was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Township office, 4340 Prince Street, Downers Grove, Illinois by Supervisor Wurster. Board members in attendance were Trustees Abbate, Cuthbert, Grimsby, Swanston and Supervisor Wurster. Also in attendance were Clerk Hois and Attorney Alongi.

Clerk Hois read the legal notice that had been published in the Downers Grove Suburban Life newspaper, January 28, 2015.

Public discussion followed. Trustee Cuthbert asked about the 2.5 million amount budgeted for this year, and Highway Commissioner Anderson said the increase from 1.8 million related to anticipated capital expenditures and operating cash flow needs. Anderson said his road team did not get to do many things that had been planned for last year due to the weather, such as replacing the garage door, storm sewer projects, emerald ash bore work. The wages paid will be higher under the union contract, and, an additional highway department worker will be needed.

After all questions were answered Trustee Abbate made a motion to pass the highway budget for fiscal year 2014-15 as presented, which motion was seconded by Trustee Swanston. A roll call vote was taken. Board members Abbate, Grimsby, Swanston and Wurster voted aye. Trustee Cuthbert voted nay. Motion passed 4 to 1.

Motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Grimsby, seconded by Trustee Cuthbert, all voting aye. Adjournment was made at 7:11 p.m.

**DOWNERS GROVE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC HEARING TOWNSHIP BUDGET
MARCH 19, 2015**

The hearing on the Township Budget was called to order at 7:15 pm by Supervisor Wurster at the Township office 4340 Prince Street, Downers Grove, Illinois. Board members in attendance were Trustees Abbate, Cuthbert, Grimsby, Swanston and Supervisor Wurster. Also present were Attorney Alongi and Clerk Hois.

Clerk Hois read the legal notice that had been published in the Downers Grove Suburban Life newspaper, January 28, 2015.

Trustee Cuthbert noted increases in supervisor administrative expenses and assessor's personnel costs. Public discussion followed regarding anticipated capital outlays included cemetery improvement needs, building capital and maintenance expenses. Health insurance costs have increased to allow for two new employees. Supervisor Wurster asked for a motion to waive the reading of the budget, which motion was made by Trustee Cuthbert, seconded by Trustee Abbate, all voted aye.

Motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Grimsby, seconded by Trustee Swanston, and all voted aye Adjournment was made at 7:29 p.m.

MINUTES OF DOWERS GROVE TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
March 19, 2015

A meeting of the Town Board of Downers Grove Township was held March 19, 2015 at the Downers Grove Township, 4340 Prince Street, Downers Grove, Illinois.

1. *Call to Order:* Supervisor Wurster called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., and everyone present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. *Roll Call:* Town Clerk Hois called the roll. Board members in attendance were Trustee Abbate, Trustee Cuthbert, Trustee Grimsby, Trustee Swanston, and Supervisor Wurster. Attorney Alongi was present.
3. *Public Comment:* Several township residents attended the meeting to discuss the topic of refuse disposal. Many spoke out in favor of the Township implementing a refuse disposal program but wanted the ability to opt out at any time. A spokesperson for the Brookridge II subdivision reported that their service is great and rates are reasonable. Two members of Pleasantdale said when the referendum passed it was their understanding that residents would be able to opt out. Timberlake's president said that the opt out has always been a concern, as the residents there want to continue to choose their own refuse hauler. **Supervisor Wurster recommended that the attendees make the same comments to Jack Novak and the refuse committee at its next meeting on March 28, 2015.** The Committee will report to the Board at the April or May, 2015 Board meeting. Assessor Cockrell said the Township will add a "Let's Talk Trash" page to the website to publish the survey, invite comments, and keep residents informed. Supervisor Wurster said most people in unincorporated areas of the Township are in favor of having a single refuse hauler to reduce the cost per household. It appears the southern areas of the Township have other views, and that is O.K. Trustee Grimsby reiterated to bring ideas to the committee meeting March 28th.
4. *Correspondence:* NONE.
5. *Minutes:* Supervisor Wurster called for a motion to approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on February 19, 2015. Trustee Cuthbert made a motion to approve minutes, seconded by Trustee Grimsby, four of the Trustees voted aye and Trustee Cuthbert voted present, as he was not at the February 19th meeting.
6. *Invoices:* The Board of Trustees reviewed the invoices prior to the meeting:

General Town Fund	03/19	\$ 13,470.92
General TownFund	03/05	\$ 5,938.27
General Road Fund	03/03	\$ 20,633.00
General Road Fund	03/05	\$ 100.00
General Road Fund	03/18	\$ 61,845.23
General Assistance	02/01 to 02/20	\$ 1,250.00

Trustee Grimsby made a motion to approve the invoices, which motion was seconded by Trustee Swanston, and all voted aye. The motion carried.

7. *Approve Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management, Inc. Contract:* Recalling last month's presentation by Emily Glasberg, Accounts Manager and Entomologist, Supervisor Wurster asked for a motion to approve the Contract. Trustee Cuthbert made a motion to approve the Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management Contract, seconded by Trustee Abbate, four of the Trustees voted aye, Trustee Cuthbert voted present as he was not at the February meeting.
8. *Reappoint Edmund Grant as Trustee of the Clarendon Blackhawk Mosquito Abatement District:* The Board of Trustees had received a letter from Edmund Grant requesting he be re-appointed. Trustee Grimsby made a motion to approve the reappointment of Edmund Grant, seconded by Trustee Swanston, all voted aye. Mr. Grant's term was extended by resolution to December 3, 2018.
9. *Approve Agenda for the Annual Town Meeting:* Clerk Hois requested the Board of Trustees to comment on the proposed Agenda for the Annual Town Meeting on April 14, 2015. After a brief discussion, Trustee Abbate made a motion to approve the Annual Town Meeting Agenda, seconded by Trustee Grimsby, all voted aye and the motion carried. The Legal Notice will be published as required.
10. *Approval of Contract with Ashyana Banquets as Location for Annual Town Meeting to be held Tuesday, April 14, 2015.* Trustee Cuthbert made a motion to approve the Contract with Ashyana Banquets, which motion was seconded by Trustee Swanston, all voted aye, and the motion carried.
11. *Approve Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Township for Fiscal Year March 1, 2015 – February 29, 2016:* The Board of Trustees reviewed the revised budget and appropriation ordinances, and discussion followed. Trustee Swanston made a motion to approve the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance, which motion was seconded by Trustee Abbate. Clerk Hois took a roll call vote: trustee Abbate, Trustee Swanston, and Supervisor Wurster voted aye. Trustee Cuthbert and Trustee Grimsby voted nay. The motion carried by a 3-2 vote.
12. *Approve Township Loss Control Policy:* Trustee Abbate made a motion to table consideration of the Loss Control Policy until the next meeting to allow for further review, which motion was seconded by Trustee Grimsby. All voted aye.
13. *Supervisor's Report:* Supervisor Wurster reported that:
 - a. the Township had received a dividend check in the amount of \$16,878.00 from TOIRMA (Township Officials of Illinois Risk Management Association);
 - b. the Clarendon Hills Middle School and Elementary School District 181 sent a Letter of Recommendation dated March 17, 2015 commending the "very professional" guest speaker presentations that had been made by Jason Shiliga and Julie Waterman from Downers Grove Township Human Services Department. The letter said Jason and Julie are "articulate, organized, and reliable professionals who make a difference in our community";

- c. a developer who purchased the former gas station site on Ogden Avenue inquired about the adjacent real estate parcel for sale by the Township.

14. *Old Business:* Trustee Cuthbert mentioned an annexation notice from Westmont.

15. *New Business:* NONE.

16. *Executive Session:* NONE.

17. *Adjournment:* There being no further business, Trustee Abbate made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which motion was seconded by Trustee Grimsby, all voting aye. The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Hois
Town Clerk