

Township of Hampshire



County Of Kane

State Of Illinois

Minutes

May 13, 2025

The Board of Trustees met at the Hampshire Township Administration Offices at 170 Mill Ave., Hampshire, IL on the 13th day of May, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

Jody Remakel, Supervisor;
Dan Rowlett, Hwy Commissioner;
Rebecca Penkaty, Assessor;
Lori Marwig, Clerk;

Bob Becker, Trustee;
Dale Drendel, Trustee;
Steven Gustafson, Trustee;
Roger Paddock, Trustee;

Also in attendance was Trevor Herrmann, Hampshire Fire Department Chief and Dave Schmidt, Incoming Hampshire Fire Department Chief.

1) Before the meeting was called to order, Trustee Paddock read the opening prayer. Roll call was then taken and all were present. The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag. Supervisor Remakel would like to add under Old Business, Discussion and Approval of the IGA with the Village of Hampshire.

2) Introduction of New Hampshire Fire Chief. Current Fire Chief Trevor Herrmann introduced Dave Schmidt as the new fire chief. Dave also spoke to the Board. After no more questions, they both left the meeting.

3) Minutes. The Board reviewed the Board of Trustee Minutes from April 8, 2025. Trustee Gustafson made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Paddock seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously by all those present.

4) Treasurer's Report. The Board reviewed the April Treasurer's report. A motion was made by Trustee Paddock to approve the April Treasurer's report as presented. Trustee Drendel seconded the motion and it was approved by all those present. A roll call vote was taken.

Trustee Becker Aye Trustee Gustafson Aye Supervisor Remakel Aye Trustee Paddock Aye
Trustee Drendel Aye

5) Public Comment. There was none.

6) Reports

Assessor: Assessor Penkaty reported that for the month of April, there were 51 sales. 1 was for farm land, 1 was industrial, 22 were for new construction, 17 were for existing homes, and 10 were for residential land. Assessments for new construction will be turned into Kane County later this week or next week. She has been busy with phone calls regarding the new assessments that were recently mailed out to the residents.

Highway Commissioner: Highway Commissioner Rowlett reported that in the beginning of April, they replaced culverts on Lenschow Road and helped Burlington Township with replacing their one culvert. Someone had dumped a load of concrete on O'Brien Road so they loaded the trucks up with it and hauled it to Welch Brothers. On April 8th, the Township received the last order of salt for the year. 305 tons of salt was delivered and put away in April. On the 15th, the Road District hired Kyle Steichen to help with the daily tasks. The spreaders and plows were taken off the trucks and put in storage. The trucks were inspected at the safety lane with no issues. Kyle cleaned and detailed the trucks and loader and did a

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fantastic job. The road district borrowed the reclaimer from Burlington Township and will start that process this week.

Highway Commissioner Rowlett reported that he has some equipment to declare excess and dispose of. He will be using Purple Wave Auction to sell the equipment. The first piece of equipment is a roller (walk behind) that hasn't been used since 2008. The other piece of equipment is a back hoe attachment for a skidsteer.

Supervisor: Supervisor Remakel reported that she spoke with the Kane County Election representative and they are wanting our location to be the primary spot for election day. There is grant money that can be used to pave the parking lot across the street. They also went to St. Johns on French Road to look at that location and liked that location better. The Board inquired if there needs to be a polling location within Hampshire Township. Supervisor Remakel will contact Kane County to inquire. The audit material was picked up by Emily from Sikich and anything else that needs to be sent to them can be done electronically. The electronic and shred event was published with the Village water bill. So far there are 8 plant orders however there will be extra plants for purchase. Supervisor Remakel reminded the Board that the shred/electronic recycling event is Saturday May 31st from 9-12. Supervisor Remakel took 22 seniors to a musical. It was a great time. They had to change the battery in the bus. The workers comp claim from a 2022 foot injury has been settled.

7) Old Business.

Approval and Discussion of the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Hampshire for the Purchase, Operation and Maintenance of a community sign at Henpeck Park in the Village of Hampshire.

Supervisor Remakel informed the Board of what has been going on with the community sign. An executive committee will be formed. Each government entity will have 1 member on the committee however, the park district is requesting 2 since they will be the ones overseeing the sign. The following are some options we can take: not participate, request changes to the IGA, sign off as is, or just donate the money and be done with it. She also shared with the Board some proposed changes she would like added to the IGA. After much discussion, the Board has given Supervisor Remakel authority to sign an intergovernmental agreement with the requested proposal for \$3500, or as it is for \$2500. This will be on the June agenda to ratify.

8) New Business.

Discussion and Approval of GATI Insurance. Supervisor Remakel informed the Board that we currently do not have any GA clients, and if we do get one, they usually will receive medicaid. We did not have GATI insurance last year. The cost for a \$25K deductible is \$2434 for the year. A motion was made by Trustee Gustafson to approve GATI Insurance. Supervisor Remakel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Trustee Gustafson - Aye Trustee Drendel - Nay Supervisor Remakel - Nay Trustee Becker - Aye
Trustee Paddock - Nay

Motion failed 2-3.

Mrs. Remakel will follow up to see if the insurance can be purchased if we do receive a GA client.

Cemetery Financial Organization. Supervisor Remakel provided the Board with documents that showed rates for lot sales, burials, and cremations and another document that shows their average revenues and average costs. They are proposing to increase fees beginning June 1st. This will be added to the June agenda.

9) Correspondence.

Village of Hampshire Resolution 25-18 Opposing Township Government Consolidation into County Government. The Village of Hampshire approved a resolution in support of Township Government. Trustee Gustafson will take the one we approved to our representative that is located in Hampshire.

Village of Burlington minutes regarding Lenschow Road. The Village of Burlington sent the Township an IGA agreement regarding Lenschow Road; however it came after our agenda was published. The Village of

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Burlington maintains 8/10 of a mile of Lenschow Road that desperately needs to be rebuilt. Estimated cost is \$300K. They are wanting for us to take the road over and maintain it. The Village of Burlington will be meeting 5/19 and 6/2 at 7pm if anyone would like to go to their meetings. Highway Commissioner Rowlett will keep the Board updated.

10) Hampshire Township Development.

Road District Development. Highway Commissioner Rowlett reported that Nicor removed the gas lines at the Milk Plant. As of the meeting, he had not heard back from Dave Weber regarding updated plans for the milk plant. He will follow up.

11) Board of Trustee Comments.

Educational Events - Lobby Day Summary. Trustee Becker provided the Board with a summary of his day. He noted that he was disappointed that many of the representatives were not available to meet, but understood the reason why.

TOI Conference Registration. Clerk Marwig informed the Board that registration for the November conference is open. She will check back with everyone mid summer before early bird registration ends.

Committees - 150th Anniversary. Trustee Paddock provided the Board with a summary of what is happening so far. They just had a meeting today to come up with ideas. It will start in June and conclude in October. They will be opening the time capsule. He will keep the Board updated.

Committees - Youth Program. Trustee Becker inquired about starting a youth program. It could include activities such as board games. Supervisor Remakel will get in touch with AITCOY.

Trustee Paddock informed the Board that Sunday 5/25 the Lions Club will be putting the signs up for Memorial Day.

12) Approval of Current Bills. Invoices for the Road Fund and Town Fund were reviewed and audited by all Trustees present. A motion was made by Trustee Gustafson to pay the May bills. Trustee Paddock seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously. (Warrants and signatures are attached hereto). A roll call vote was taken.

Supervisor Remakel Aye Trustee Drendel Aye Trustee Becker Aye Trustee Gustafson Aye
Trustee Paddock Aye

There was an expense report for an elected official.

For Highway Commissioner Rowlett there was an expense report of \$170.85 for mileage reimbursement. A motion was made by Trustee Gustafson to approve the expense report. Trustee Drendel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Supervisor Remakel Aye Trustee Becker Aye Trustee Gustafson Aye Trustee Drendel Aye
Trustee Paddock Aye

13) Closed Session. There was no need for a Closed Session.

14) Oaths of Office. Clerk Marwig administered the oaths of office to the Supervisor, Highway Commissioner, and Trustees. Trustee Paddock administered the oath of office to the Clerk.

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15) There being no further business, a motion was made by Trustee Gustafson to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Drendel, and then carried unanimously. The meeting closed at 8:45 p.m.

Approved on:

Respectfully Submitted:

Lori Marwig
Township Clerk