

County Of Kane

State Of Illinois

# Minutes

July 8, 2025

The Board of Trustees met at the Hampshire Township Administration Offices at 170 Mill Ave., Hampshire, IL on the 8th day of July, 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;

- 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 approval of current bills, discussion of plow truck payment.
- 2) Minutes. The Board then reviewed the Board of Trustee Minutes from June 10, 2025. A motion was made by Trustee Gustafson to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Paddock seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously by all those present.
- 3)Treasurer's Report. The Board reviewed the June Treasurer's report. A motion was made by Trustee Gustafson to approve the June Treasurer's report as presented. Trustee Becker seconded the motion and it was approved by all those present. A roll call vote was taken.

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

4) Public Comment. There was none.

#### 5) Reports

<u>Assessor:</u> Assessor Penkaty reported that for the month of June, there were 48 sales. 23 were for new construction, 19 were for existing homes, 1 commercial, and 5 were for residential land. At this time, she still has not heard from Kane County on when the new assessments will be published. She has been busy taking pictures of the homes being built in the newer sections of Prairie Ridge.

<u>Cemetery:</u> Supervisor Remakel provided the Cemetery report. They have made the downpayment on the new software. There will be an introduction to the software meeting Wednesday at 9am. They are still working on fixing the records correction that was mentioned last month. There is a well problem at Center Cemetery. The well head is leaking and it is in the process of being repaired.

Highway Commissioner: Highway Commissioner Rowlett reported they mowed the ditches from 6/2 - 6/17. They had Kyle weed eat around the culverts, signs, and bridges. On 6/11 the road crew went to Bonnell Day to check out new equipment and enjoyed lunch at the event. This event is held every 2 years. The road crew replaced a culvert on Feldsmith Dr that had rotted away and caused the driveway to sink. Curran paved Lenschow Road on the 24th and it was completed all in one day. Mr. Rowlett had them widen the road by one foot. The road crew will need to complete ditch and shoulder work. They got the old Louisville out and put the spreader and spinner on to get it ready for sale. The old walk behind roller and the skidsteer mounted backhoe was listed on purple wave auction and both the items were sold. The roller went for \$500 and the backhoe went for \$2500.

<u>Supervisor</u>: Supervisor Remakel reported that the door to the hallway has been installed. It still needs to be stained and painting needs to be done. She informed the Board that the calls for financial assistance are increasing as she gets a call at least once a week. Last month she spoke to the Board about potentially

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getting a new GA client. The person has the application but has not turned it in. They are on Medicaid. We are offering them rides to and from doctor appts. The Board is in agreement to pursue GATI Insurance. This will be on the August agenda for approval. Ms. Remakel then informed the Board that the workman comp claim has been closed for the cemetery person who was injured last year. She then let the board know that she spoke to the library regarding a NARCAN dispenser and they will be putting one up. They also thanked her for letting them know that they can reach out to Kane County to get one.

#### 6) Old Business.

<u>Cemetery Financial Organization.</u> The Board will need to come up with a guideline to help the Cemetery figure out a budget. This will be tabled.

<u>OMA Required Training.</u> There are a few more people who need to complete the training per Clerk Marwig.

<u>Village of Burlington IGA.</u> Supervisor Remakel and Highway Commissioner Rowlett attended the Village of Burlington board meeting. It was not a productive meeting regarding the road. Supervisor Remakel and the Burlington Village president have been emailing back and forth. We offered to take the road over for a certain amount of years and pay to have it fixed. Burlington would then need to pay us back in installments. After some back and forth via email with the Burlington village president, Ms. Remakel was informed that they do not want to pursue this as they have other roads that they need to focus on. <u>Discussion of Village allowing golf carts on roadways.</u> The Village has approved the use of golf carts on their roadways. So far, they have only had 2 residents apply for a permit. It was asked if we should create a resolution noting that golf carts are not allowed on township roads. After speaking with TOIRMA it was recommended that we do nothing in regards to golf carts.

#### 7) New Business.

<u>Approval of Annual Treasurer's Report.</u> A motion was made by Trustee Paddock to approve the annual Treasurer's Report. Trustee Drendel seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously by all those present. A roll call vote was taken.

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

8) Correspondence. Clerk Marwig informed the Board of a FOIA request she received from NBC5 in Chicago. Highway Commissioner Rowlett stated that he received information from Kane County as they were made aware that a FOIA had been sent to multiple townships. He forwarded the information to the Clerk as it is part of the FOIA request.

### 9) Hampshire Township Development.

<u>Road District Development.</u> Highway Commissioner Rowlett reported that he submitted the new plans to Moe at the Village. He now has a general construction manager involved and they will be putting a plan together.

### 10) Board of Trustee Comments.

<u>Educational Events.</u> This is a reminder that if anyone would like to attend any of the educational events please let Clerk Marwig know and she will get you registered. Trustee Gustafson and Trustee Paddock would like to attend one. She will get them registered.

<u>TOI Conference Registration.</u> Clerk Marwig informed the Board that registration for the November conference is open and it ends August 1st. Trustee Gustafson and Trustee Paddock will be going. Clerk Marwig will work on getting them registered.

<u>Committees - 150th Anniversary.</u> Trustee Paddock provided the Board with a summary of what is happening so far. They just had a meeting today and they are getting a lot of things organized for next year. He will keep the Board updated. The Township will be making a donation. The celebration will begin in February and there will be a big celebration during Coon Creek Days next year.



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<u>Committees - Youth Program.</u> Trustee Becker contacted Oak Park Township. After speaking to someone there it sounds like it will cost a lot of money and people to run these programs. One of the suggestions was to have an intern program. Will have a conversation with the Library regarding their youth programs.

Supervisor Remakel informed the Board that she spoke to Larry Koontz who is the pastor at Faithway Baptist Church. They are holding their VBS camp in July for 3 nights. He inquired if they could use our bus to drive the kids from the park to the church. And that he has a CDL. Supervisor Remakel volunteered to drive the bus.

11) 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 July bills. Trustee Becker seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously. (Warrants and signatures are attached hereto). A roll call vote was taken.

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

Approval to pay routine bills due to early meeting. Due to the date of the meeting, there might still be some routine bills that have not been received. A motion was made by Trustee Gustafson to pay any routine bills up till July 15th. Supervisor Remakel second the motion and it was approved unanimously by all those present.

Approval of payment for new loader. Highway Commissioner Rowlett has been renting an end loader for the past 3 months and would like to purchase it. The trade in value for the old one is \$18K. The rent for the new one has been \$5100/month. A motion was made by Trustee Gustafson to make a payment for the end loader for \$150,000. Supervisor Remakel seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously by all those present. A roll call was taken.

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

There was an expense report for an elected official.

For Highway Commissioner Rowlett there was an expense report of \$198.32 for mileage reimbursement. A motion was made by Trustee Gustafson to approve the expense report. Trustee Becker seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

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

<u>Discussion of plow truck payment.</u> Highway Commissioner Rowlett will be purchasing a new plow truck. He will be going through Sourcewell which is used for government bidding. This purchase has been budgeted for. It will be 2 years before the truck is completed as it will take 6 months for the truck and another 1.5 years for the upfitting. He is interested in purchasing a Western Star as it is \$30K cheaper than a Mach. He also will be trading in the Mach which is 10 years old and currently has 18K miles on it. There is another township interested in it.

- 12) Closed Session. There was no need for a Closed Session.
- 13) There being no further business, a motion was made by Trustee Gustafson to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Paddock, and then carried unanimously. The meeting closed at 8:28 p.m.

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Approved on:	Respectfully Submitted:
	Lori Marwig
	Township Clerk