

# Minutes – Board of Town Trustees

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Town of Grant }

## GRANT TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING AGENDA-final December 19, 2023

The Board of Town Trustees met at the Grant Township Administration Building at 26725 W. Molidor Road on December 19th, 2023.

Attendees:

Supervisor:	Kay Starostovic	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Absent
Trustee:	Robert Hamm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Absent
	Bob Selle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Absent
	Tom Lippert	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Absent
	Karen Fischer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Absent
Clerk:	Judy Martini	<input type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Absent

Ms. Kay Starostovic acting as Supervisor and Nancy Rogers as Deputy Clerk, the following official business was transacted:

### 1.-2. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 3. Roll Call of Officials

Present: Trustees: Robert Hamm, Bob Selle, Tom Lippert, Karen Fischer and Supervisor Starostovic

Absent: Judy Martini, Clerk

Also present: Nancy Rogers, Deputy Clerk and Lisa La Mantia, Assessor

### 4. Audience

None

### 5. Motion to Approve Board Meeting Minutes from November 21, 2023

Supervisor Starostovic made a correction to c. – Approve Holiday cards & luncheons to read. As in the past the Township is giving all Township employees gift cards to Jewel. And Trustee Selle asked that the reading under Supervisor Report to read Letter from resident about road condition caused by drivers in Pickeral Point Sub. Motion by Trustee Lippert to approve.

Seconded by Trustee Fischer

Ayes: Trustee's: Hamm, Selle, Lippert & Fischer & Supervisor Starostovic

Nays: None

Motion Carries

### 6. Motion to Approve Bills for Month of November, 2023

Motion by Trustee Selle, seconded by Trustee Fischer to approve in the amount of \$482,478.09. There being no further discussion, additions or corrections, the vote was called:

Ayes: Trustee's: Hamm, Selle, Lippert & Fischer and Supervisor Starostovic

Nays: None

Motion Carries

### 7. Motion to Approve Investment Report for Month of November, 2023

Motion by Trustee Selle, seconded by Trustee Fischer to approve in the amount of \$7,424,165.96. There being no further discussion the vote was called:

Ayes: Trustee's: Hamm, Selle, Lippert & Fischer and Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None

Motion Carries

### 8. Miscellaneous

None

### 9. Old Business

**a. Report on Adopt-A-Family**

Supervisor Starostovic reported that we had fewer families than last year but everything went great. Supervisor Starostovic thanked all the volunteers that worked and the program was well organized and donations were very good. Christmas meals were distributed to residents that were in need. Trustee Lippert reported that the free movie at the Fox Lake Theatre sponsored by the Lion's Club and American Legion Auxiliary had over a 100 attendees.

**b. Report on Christmas Parade**

Supervisor Starostovic reported that the Village of Fox Lake's parade was very good this year. There was many more lighted entries and felt there was more residents watching along the path than in the past. Supervisor Starostovic thanked those who participated with the Grant Township Float.

**c. Sexual Harassment Training Requirements**

Supervisor Starostovic reported that the Sexual Harassment Training is to be completed by all officials and employees by December 31, 2023. Copies of the completed certificates are to be given to Jennifer Vackar and the Clerk will keep the copies.

**d. Any Other Old Business**

Supervisor Starostovic reported that Food Pantry Funds are down due to the increase of residents coming for help. And also the price of food has increased that the Township purchases to restock pantry. Trustee Selle commented on the drive-thru food pantry in front of the old Dominics is always so busy.

**10. New Business**

**a. Civility Pledge**

Supervisor Starostovic discussed the Civility Pledge that was sent by the Township Officials of Illinois. All the officials signed a copy and Clerk Martini will keep them on file. Supervisor Starostovic also advised that they should be given out to all employees and returned when signed.

**b. Cars of Hope**

Supervisor Starostovic reported that she had sent the information about the Cars of Hope program to our attorney and the township Insurance Rep. It was stated that there would be a lot of liability on the township behalf. Trustees stated they wanted to think about it some more but at this time don't think it would benefit the township.

**c. Consider Donation of Land to Grant Township**

Supervisor Starostovic explained the situation with the property involved on Wilson Road. Assessor LaMantia reported that her office checked the pin and it's nonconforming to zoning but recommended that no consideration should be made until owners complete their transactions. Property at this time is non-conforming. Property has been appraised at \$112,000.00. Officials stated that they are not interested at this time.

**d. Any Other New Business**

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**11. Consider Motion**

**a. To Approve Annual Corporation Report for 2023-2024**

Supervisor Starostovic reported that the Annual Corporation Report has to be renewed for the 2023/2024 term and signatures of officials were required. Motion by Trustee Fischer to approve report. Seconded by Trustee Hamm.

There being no further discussion, the vote was called.

Ayes: Trustee's: Hamm, Selle, Lippert & Fischer and Supervisor Starostovic

Nays: None

Motion Carries

**12. Officials' Reports**

**Supervisor:** Supervisor Starostovic passed out copies of the letter received from Lake County regarding Emergency Management & Communications. Trustee Lippert stated that we should talk to other mayors on what their procedure is going to be. Supervisor Starostovic stated that she had thought of school busses for transportation. Trustee Lippert advised to talk to Attorney if the township should need a resolution. It was stated that Highway Commissioner Kiesgen should be contacted as she is the civil defense/emergency contact. Trustee Selle stated that there should be a meeting with other villages regarding this issue. Supervisor Starostovic also reported that the Holiday calendar for 2024 has been corrected.

Supervisor Starostovic discussed and showed the officials an example of policies and procedures from the Townships of Illinois.  
Supervisor Starostovic reported she attended the Avon Township meeting regarding election.

**Trustee's:**

There was discussion regarding St. Bede's possible closing due to lack of funds.  
Trustee Lippert thanked the maintenance employees for taking such good care of the grounds and praised the decorations. It was confirmed that the Highway Department Employees were invited to participate in the employee Christmas luncheon.  
Trustee Fischer said Happy Birthday to Trustee Lippert.

**Assessor:**

Assessor LaMantia stated that all has been going good in her department and that she had put a report in the Township E-contact. Assessor LaMantia reported that Big Hollow lowered their levy by 20% for a savings of approximately \$600.00 per resident.

**13. Audience Participation**

Deputy Clerk Rogers stated that the parade was really good and all went good with the Adopt a Family program this year.

**14. Adjournment**

Trustee Hamm made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Lippert. There being no further comments, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustee's: Hamm, Selle, Lippert & Fischer and Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None

Motion Carries.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17pm

**Respectfully submitted:**



**Nancy Rogers, Administrative Assistant and Deputy Clerk**