

Minutes of the Troy Township Road District Decennial Committee Meeting
Monday, January 22, 2024
5:45 p.m.

A meeting of the Troy Township Road District Decennial Committee Meeting was held at the Troy Township Community Center, 25448 Seil Road, Shorewood, Illinois.

Highway Commissioner Thomas R. Ward **called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.**

The **pledge of allegiance was recited**, led by Supervisor Joseph D. Baltz.

Roll Call:

Committee Chairman:

Highway Commissioner Thomas R. Ward - Present

Governing Board Members:

Joseph D. Baltz -- Supervisor -- Present

Johnnie Greenwood -- Trustee - Present

Bryan W. Kopman -- Trustee -- Present

Jerry Nudera -- Trustee -- Present

Brett Wheeler -- Trustee -- Absent

Other Officers:

Larry Ryan -- Clerk -- Present

Jennifer Dylik -- Administrator -- Present

Two Township Residents:

Jason Cox -- Present

Gordon "Gordy" McCoy -- Present

A quorum is established.

Dawn Damiani -- Collector -- also in attendance

Approval of Minutes:

Chairman Ward presented the minutes from the **November 20, 2023, Road District Decennial Committee Meeting** for approval. A motion was made by Jason Cox ; seconded by Supervisor Baltz, to approve the minutes from the **November 20, 2023, Road District Decennial Committee Meeting**. All attending were in favor.

Review and Discussion of the Tentative Draft Report

Administrator Dylik distributed the draft report noting that it was a summary of what had been discussed to date. The report includes the purpose of the committee, details of when the committee met, what the committee discussed, and the last pages will hold the recommendations that will be discussed at this meeting. The full report will be submitted to the Will County Board.

Discussion of the Committee Member's Recommendations for Improvements and Efficiency

A general discussion took place. In summary, the Committee brought forth the following suggestions:

- Move forward with the Single Waste Hauler initiative allowing the Township to bid out and contract for garbage disposal service for the residents of the unincorporated areas.

- Co-purchase and/or share equipment and staff (knowledge) between other townships and municipalities.
- Promote and highlight the existing programs/services and the benefit of them.
- Improve operations efficiencies by creating a wash bay for equipment.
- Consider working with the Township offices and explore using the vacant acre of land by the office to move the recycling center from the Highway Department to the Township.
- Consider creating a second shift to help cover long days/nights of plowing.
- Encourage continued training/education for staff.
- Improve communications to residents regarding upcoming roadwork with sign boards or text alerts.
- Seek out grant funding for expenses like building improvements and road projects.
- Consider solar resources to power streetlights.

Overall, the Committee's suggestions were broken down into three categories:

- Improved communication / outreach
- Improved efficiencies with shared services
- Securing grant funding for capital projects (buildings, roads)

Public Comment

Highway Commissioner Ward opened the meeting floor for public comments, and after asking three times and hearing none, the committee moved to Item VIII.

Announcements

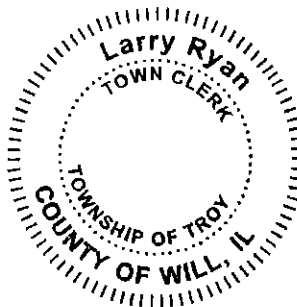
Next Meeting Date: Monday, March 18, 2024, at 5:45pm.

Administrator Dylik distributed a survey to all in attendance.

Adjournment

Motion made by Jason Cox; seconded by Trustee Greenwood to **adjourn** the meeting at 6:34 p.m.

Larry Ryan
Clerk

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