

**MINUTES
AFTON TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
April 8, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Afton Township Board was convened at 9:07 p.m. on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at the Elva Town Hall, 16029 Walker Drive, DeKalb, with Supervisor Randall Bourdages presiding.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Supervisor Bourdages called the meeting to order stating that the Pledge of Allegiance opened the Annual Town Meeting, held immediately prior to the Regular April Board meeting.

ROLL CALL OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

The roll call was conducted by Clerk Hellmuth; Supervisor Randall Bourdages, Highway Commissioner Nelson Hillquist, Trustees Julie Barr, Eric Christensen, Craig Donnelly, Steve Schramm, Multi-Township Assessor Jay Walker, and Clerk, Sherry Hellmuth answered the call. All elected township officials were present.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The April 8, 2025, meeting agenda was provided, via email, to all members of the board on April 3, 2025, was available on the website, and posted at the Elva Town Hall. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Trustee Christensen. The motion was seconded by Trustee Schramm. Motion passed by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The draft of the March 11, 2025 regular meeting minutes was provided, via email, to all members of the board on April 3, 2025. A motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of March 11, 2025, was made by Trustee Barr. The motion was seconded by Trustee Donnelly. The motion to approve the March 11, 2025 regular meeting minutes passed via voice vote.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Supervisor Bourdages provided copies of the April check register, current month's expense report, and balance sheet for the township and road district.

Highway Commissioner Hillquist reviewed the road and bridge district expense report and claims. A motion to approve the Afton Township Road & Bridge District Fund Expense Report totaling **\$5,933.43** for the April, 2025, township meeting was made by Trustee Christensen. The motion was seconded by Trustee Schramm. Motion passed by roll call vote.

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Supervisor Bourdages	X		
Trustee Barr	X		
Trustee Christensen	X		
Trustee Donnelly	X		
Trustee Schramm	X		

Supervisor Bourdages reviewed the expense report and claims for the township. A motion to approve the Afton Township General Fund Expense Report totaling **\$9,983.86** for the April, 2025, township meeting was made by Trustee Schramm. The motion was seconded by Trustee Barr. Motion passed by roll call vote.

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Supervisor Bourdages	X		
Trustee Barr	X		
Trustee Christensen	X		
Trustee Donnelly	X		
Trustee Schramm	X		

CEMETERY

No report.

PUBLIC FORUM

None.

Notice of the Agenda was posted at the Elva Town Hall on Thursday, April 3, 2025, and was available on the township website at www.aftontownship.org.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

None.

REPORTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

Supervisor's Report - Supervisor Bourdages noted that the Maple Leaf Solar Farm development should begin in September. Many delays have occurred as a result of state legislation changes and issues related to ComEd.

Highway Commissioner's Report - Highway Commissioner Hillquist stated that guardrails and aggregate work was to start on Waterman and Keslinger Roads. Work is scheduled for Crego Road, S. First Street and McGirr Road.

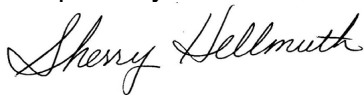
Clerk's Report - Clerk Hellmuth reminded the board members to fill out and return to the DeKalb County Clerk the Statement of Economic Interest. The deadline for return is May1 and a \$15 late fee has been instituted.

Assessor's Report - Assessor Walker stated that an additional \$240 million in EAV will be coming for the new year. It was noted that the ComEd substation on the Facebook property is fully assessed and the solar farms will be assessed when they are up and running.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Schramm to adjourn the meeting, and the motion was seconded by Trustee Barr, with all in favor. The Regular Meeting of the Afton Township Board of Trustees adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sherry Hellmuth, Afton Township Clerk