

### MINUTES

## 433 E Washington Street, Round Lake Park, IL 60030 Tuesday, May 10, 2022 – 7:00pm

#### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm by Supervisor Michele Bauman.

Pledge of Allegiance					
Roll Call					
Supervisor Bauman	-	Present			
Trustee Kearby Trustee Loffredo	-	Present Present	Trustee Dobrow Trustee Repa	-	Present Present
Quorum Established					

#### **Public Comment**

Travis Haley requested to speak during agenda items #3 and #7.

#### Reports

Supervisor Bauman offered a verbal report. The Supervisor discussed setting a date for an upcoming Adopt-A-Highway cleanup event with Trustee Repa. The Postal Carrier Food Drive would be taking place this coming weekend and would be a jumpstart for the Avon emergency food pantry.

Clerk Larson provided a verbal report. More than 90 cubic yards of old records were ready for destruction and submitted to the archivist for approval.

#### **New Business**

- 1. Approval of Minutes as Presented
  - a. April 12, 2022 Regular Meeting
  - b. April 26, 2022 Special Meeting

A MOTION to approve the April 12 and April 16, 2022 Meeting minutes.

Motion:	Repa		Second:	Kearby
Supervisor Baum	nan -	AYE		
Trustee Dobrow	-	AYE	Trustee Kearby	- AYE
Trustee Loffredo	) –	AYE	Trustee Repa	- AYE

2. Approval of Monthly Bills as Presented



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A MOTION to approve prepaid and outstanding bills as presented.

Motion:	Dobrow		Second:	Kearby
Supervisor Bau	man -	AYE		
Trustee Dobrov	N -	AYE	Trustee Kearby	- AYE
Trustee Loffred	lo -	AYE	Trustee Repa	- AYE

Motion carries.

3. AN ORDINANCE adopting the 2022-2023 budget and appropriations for the Town of Avon

Public Comment: Travis Haley had the opportunity to serve on the finance committee. Mr. Haley thanked the members of the committee, the board members and the other elected officials for working hard on the budget and hopes that it will pass unanimously.

A MOTION to approve the ORDINANCE as presented.

Motion:	Repa			Second:	Dobrow	
Supervisor Bau	man	-	AYE			
Trustee Dobrov	N	-	AYE	Trustee Kearby	-	AYE
Trustee Loffred	lo	-	AYE	Trustee Repa	-	AYE

Motion carries.

4. Discussion and possible action adopting the Mission, Vision and Values of Avon Township

A MOTION to adopt the Mission, Vision and Values of Avon Township.

Motion:	Loffredo		Second:	Dobr	ow
Supervisor Bau	iman -	AYE			
Trustee Dobro	w -	AYE	Trustee Kearby	-	AYE
Trustee Loffred	- ot	AYE	Trustee Repa	-	AYE

Motion carries.

5. AN ORDINANCE adopting and enacting policies for the Town of Avon, Illinois; providing for the manner of amending such policies; providing for the repeal of certain ordinances not included therein; and providing when such policies and this ordinance shall become effective

A MOTION to approve the ordinance as presented.



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Supervisor Baur	nan -	AYE			
Trustee Dobrow		AYE	Trustee Kearb	y -	AYE
Trustee Loffred	- c	AYE	Trustee Repa	-	AYE

Motion carries.

Clerk Larson: Thank you to everyone for all of their hard work after nearly three years across two administrations to get this work done.

6. Discussion and possible action regarding a Satellite Office for the Lake County Sheriff's Office

Supervisor Bauman noted this was a discussion item only. Deputies from the Sheriff's Office held informal discussion asking for a place to do paperwork. These was discussion about a different phone system, permanent office space and increase services to unincorporated areas.

Trustee Dobrow expressed concerns about this being unofficial. He further expressed concerns about having law enforcement present while serving minority populations, we could scare some folx away.

Supervisor Bauman reiterated that this was exploratory only at this time and that no official action was taking place.

Additional discussion took place among the board members suggesting that additional information would be needed before any action could take place.

No action was taken on this item.

7. A RESOLUTION authorizing display of the LGBTQ pride flag at Avon Township

Public Comment: Travis Haley noted that last year the Board voted unanimously to approve flying the Pride flag for the weekend of the PFlag Pride Drive. This has been passed widely through other jurisdictions throughout the County. The Lake County Board will fly the flag throughout the entire month of June. The flag shows that we are a welcoming community and hopes that the board passes it unanimously this year.

Trustee Dobrow thanked Mr. Haley for his comments. Trustee Dobrow suggested that we should fly the flag for the entire month of June.

Supervisor Bauman: Last year when we did the pride flag it was our first board meeting. We did it to support Kristal and the Pride community. My concern is that we do the Pride flag – but what about the



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other communities? We are made of up different people. What about all the other religions, the other flags? How do we decide which ones we do and which ones we don't do? I just think we need to stick to our basics, the US flag and the State flag. We need to celebrate all people, not just one group. I think as a Township we need to go back to the basics – an American Flag, a Township Flag and a State Flag. What are people going to say when they drive by and see that Pride flag?

Trustee Dobrow commented on his disagreement with Supervisor Bauman's position.

Supervisor Bauman suggested that we should change the policy to be one day, not four days.

Trustee Repa commented that this is making a mountain out of a molehill. If you want to fly other flags, I think that's fine. This is something other communities are doing. Approve this and move on.

Public Comment: Melanie Francisco suggested that the Township could make a statement allowing others to suggest a flag.

Trustee Kearby moves the question. Second by Trustee Repa.

Motion:	Kearby		Second:	Repa	
Supervisor Baur	man -	NAY			
Trustee Dobrow	v -	AYE	Trustee Kearby	-	AYE
Trustee Loffred	o -	AYE	Trustee Repa	-	AYE

Motion carries.

8. A RESOLUTION authorizing display of the Juneteenth flag at Avon Township

A MOTION to approve the proposal as presented.

Motion: Repa		Second:	Dobrow		
Supervisor Bauman - Trustee Dobrow - Trustee Loffredo -	NAY AYE AYE	Trustee	e Kearby e Repa	-	AYE AYE

Motion carries.

### **Executive Session**

None



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### Public Comment

None

#### Member's Remarks

Trustee Kearby:

I fully approve the two resolution for these flags and I cerntainly understand the comments fvrom the Sueprviosr. This is not a willy-nilly thing. We need to rely on the systems that we have in place to express openly that we are a welcoming circumstance for everyone. Also think that there is a lto of fear in politics right now and don't want to bend to that fear. I think we keep moving forward and review any options that we have.

Clerk Larson:

I understand the concerns. Others are welcome to request a flag. This is settled case matter in federal courts. We have examples of our state, our local county and other municipalities. It's not about one group. Most of these groups are not being victimized as a political tool right now. Over 240 bills proposed or attacked that are directly attacking the LGBTQ+ community, the black community, the brown communities, people of color, and showing that this township supports the rights of those people by saying we openly support the LGBTQ+ Community, the Black Community. I hope we can do something for the brown communities, the AAPI communities or any other marginalized community including women. Over 70% of our population is being attached legislatively, in the courts, and I want to thank that board for standing up, especially for those marginalized people, which is a core mission of township government.

#### Adjournment

A MOTION to adjourn.

Motion: Repa

Second:

Bauman

The motion is approved by unanimous consent.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41pm.