

**AGENDA**  
**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**APRIL 11, 2023**  
**7:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. READING OF PUBLIC NOTICE AS PUBLISHED IN DES PLAINES VALLEY NEWS & LA GRANGE SUBURBAN LIFE NEWSPAPERS
4. ENTERTAINMENT OF A MOTION TO NOMINATE A MODERATOR. REQUEST FOR A SECOND (3) TIMES IF ONLY ONE NOMINATION.
5. ENTERTAINMENT OF A MOTION TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS, REQUEST FOR A SECOND, CALL FOR A VOICE VOTE.
6. SWEARING IN OF MODERATOR
7. ENTERTAINMENT OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE LAST TOWNSHIP OF LYONS ANNUAL TOWN MEETING OF APRIL 12, 2022. REQUEST FOR A SECOND, CALL FOR A VOICE VOTE.
8. ENTERTAINMENT OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF NOVEMBER 14, 2022. REQUEST FOR A SECOND, CALL FOR A VOICE VOTE.
9. ENTERTAINMENT OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE ANNUAL TOWN REPORTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022/23 AS PRESENTED IN BOOKLET FORM. REQUEST FOR A SECOND, CALL FOR A VOICE VOTE.
10. ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2023-01 TO DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO PURCHASE, SELL, AND LEASE PROPERTY.
11. NEW BUSINESS
12. OLD BUSINESS
13. ENTERTAINMENT OF A MOTION TO SET THE NEXT ANNUAL TOWN MEETING DATE ON THE SECOND TUESDAY IN APRIL OF 2024 WHICH IS APRIL 9, 2024 AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE TOWNSHIP HALL COMMUNITY ROOM, 6404 JOLIET RD., COUNTRYSIDE, IL 60525. REQUEST FOR A SECOND, CALL FOR A VOICE VOTE.
14. ENTERTAINMENT OF A MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT. REQUEST FOR A SECOND, CALL FOR A VOICE VOTE.
15. ADJOURNMENT

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In Re the Matter of: )  
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Annual Town Meeting )  
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REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

April 11, 2023

7:00 p.m.

REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS had at the Board of Trustees Annual Town Meeting, held at Township of Lyons, 6404 Joliet Road, Countryside, Illinois, before Pamela L. Cosentino, Certified Shorthand Reporter for the State of Illinois.

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1 A P P E A R A N C E S:

2 TOWNSHIP OF LYONS OFFICIALS:

3 CHRISTOPHER GETTY, Supervisor

ELYSE HOFFENBERG, Township Clerk

4 COLLEEN H. KELLY, Trustee

MARK ANDERSON, Trustee

5 DONNA B. MCDONALD, Trustee

GARY CROSSMAN, Trustee

6 PATRICK HYNES, Assessor

SEAN MCDERMOTT, Highway Commissioner

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1 MS. HOFFENBERG: It's 7:00, so I would like  
2 to call this Annual Town Meeting of the Township of  
3 Lyons to order.

4 Everyone please rise for the Pledge of  
5 Allegiance.

6 (Whereupon, the Pledge of Allegiance  
7 is honored.)

8 MS. HOFFENBERG: Welcome to the Annual Town  
9 Meeting for the Township of Lyons. It's so nice to  
10 see you all here this evening. I feel like I'm  
11 welcoming you all into like my living room or  
12 something. We're here at the Township building in our  
13 community room where we get to host so many fun  
14 events. So welcome and thank you so much for coming.

15 Thank you to Mayor and Supervisor Getty for  
16 allowing us to host this here this evening.

17 Thank you to our Trustees, Trustee Anderson,  
18 Trustee Crossman, Trustee Kelly, Trustee McDonald.

19 Thank you, Assessor Hynes. Thank you,  
20 Highway Commissioner McDermott.

21 It's just so wonderful to share this building  
22 with all of our fabulous community members.

23 I'd like to extend a warm welcome to the  
24 local elected officials in attendance this evening.

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1 Senator Landek, Senator Porfirio, Mayor Rodriguez,  
2 Mayor McDermott, Mayor Getty, Trustees Pinion, Secott,  
3 Trustee Kennedy, Trustee Hilker, Trustee Lazich.

4 Thank you to all of our other elected  
5 officials and members of our local boards and  
6 commissions. Your service to our municipalities,  
7 school boards, libraries, parks, all of you who choose  
8 to serve the community, your work is just tireless and  
9 thankless. So I'm here tonight to say thank you.  
10 Thank you so much, part of what makes this township  
11 such a great place, I've lived here my whole life.  
12 Thank you and keep up the great work.

13 If we could have a round of applause for  
14 everybody.

15 (Round of applause.)

16 MS. HOFFENBERG: So the State of Illinois is  
17 comprised of 1,428 townships. Make note of that  
18 because next year maybe this will be more of a trivia  
19 event. You might win a prize if you remember that.

20 So tonight across the State of Illinois, all  
21 of these townships must meet, just as we are right  
22 now, to hold their Annual Town Meeting. Though we  
23 share this requirement with all these other townships  
24 across Illinois, we are unique and we are special

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1 because the Township of Lyons is comprised of  
2 17 diverse and amazing municipalities.

3           Tonight this evening hopefully we have  
4 representatives from most of these 17 communities.  
5 We're a little smaller tonight, so we might not quite  
6 hit the 17 mark, but I'd love to see who's in  
7 attendance and give you all a round of applause. So  
8 I'm going to call out the different villages and if  
9 you're from that village, please just clap.

10           Village of Bedford Park?

11           Village of Bridgeview?

12           Village of Brookfield?

13           Village of Burr Ridge?

14           Village of Countryside?

15           Village of Hickory Hills?

16           Village of Hinsdale?

17           Village of Hodgkins?

18           Village of Indian Head Park?

19           Village of Justice?

20           Village of LaGrange?

21           Village of LaGrange Highlands?

22           Village of Lyons?

23           Village of McCook?

24           Village of Riverside?

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1 Village of Summit?

2 Village of Western Springs?

3 And Village of Willow Springs?

4 Thank you guys all so much for coming out  
5 tonight.

6 Moving on to the Business of the meeting:  
7 The Notice of this meeting was published in the  
8 Des Plaines Valley News as well as the LaGrange  
9 Suburban Life. Notice was also posted here at the  
10 Lyons Township Hall.

11 MR. PACH: I'd like to make a motion.

12 MS. HOFFENBERG: Please stand and say your  
13 name and address for our court reporter.

14 MR. PACH: George Pach, that's P-a-c-h.

15 I'd like to make a motion to dispense with  
16 the reading since it has been published in the  
17 Des Plaines Valley News as well as the LaGrange  
18 Suburban Life as well as posted here at the Township.

19 MS. HOFFENBERG: Thank you.

20 MR. JUNGELS: I'll second the motion. My  
21 name is Brian Jungels, J-u-n-g-e-l-s, 4608 Warsaw  
22 Avenue, Lyons, Illinois, 60534.

23 MS. HOFFENBERG: Thank you.

24 Okay. Now that we have dispensed with the

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1 formal reading of the Public Notice, the time has come  
2 to nominate a moderator for our meeting.

3 Do I hear a motion to nominate a moderator?

4 MS. LOPEZ: I make a motion to nominate Koula  
5 Fournier as moderator.

6 Jasmin Lopez, 7706 Beloit in Bridgeview,  
7 Illinois.

8 MS. HOFFENBERG: Thank you.

9 Do I have a second?

10 MS. BERNARDONI: I'll second the motion.  
11 Carrie Bernardoni, 8731 Willow Drive, Justice.

12 MS. HOFFENBERG: Are there any other  
13 nominations?

14 Without further adieu then, all those in  
15 favor say "aye."

16 AUDIENCE: (In unison) Aye.

17 MS. HOFFENBERG: All those opposed say "nay."

18 Then I would entertain a motion to close  
19 nominations. Do I hear such a motion?

20 MS. KIRKSEY-MILLER: I would like to make a  
21 motion. Shakana Kirskey-Miller, 4904 Grand Avenue,  
22 McCook, and I'd like to make a motion to close  
23 nominations.

24 MS. HOFFENBERG: Thank you.



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1 Do I have a second?

2 MS. SONKA: I'd like to make a second motion.  
3 Monica Sonka, 5527 South 72nd Court, Summit, Illinois.

4 MS. HOFFENBERG: Thank you.

5 All those in favor to close nominations say  
6 "aye."

7 AUDIENCE: (In unison) Aye.

8 MS. HOFFENBERG: All those opposed say "nay."

9 All right. Koula, you won by a landslide.  
10 Come on up and let me swear you in.

11 If you'll raise your right hand.

12 (Moderator duly sworn.)

13 MS. HOFFENBERG: Thank you.

14 MODERATOR FOURNIER: Good evening, everyone.  
15 My name is Koula Fournier. I've been a resident of  
16 this great Lyons Township for the past 20 years, and  
17 it is my honor to be your moderator this evening.

18 Thank you to Supervisor Mayor Getty, Senator  
19 Landek, and to the Lyons Township organization.

20 And with that, we can start the Annual Town  
21 Meeting.

22 I will entertain a motion to approve the  
23 minutes of the last Annual Town Meeting of April 12,  
24 2022.

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1 MR. KENNEDY: I'll make a motion to approve  
2 the minutes. Shawn Kennedy, 6466 Apache Drive, Indian  
3 Head Park, Illinois.

4 MODERATOR FOURNIER: Is there a second?

5 MR. CISNEROS JR.: I'd like to second that  
6 motion. Norberto Cisneros Jr., 4032 Konrad, Lyons,  
7 Illinois, 60534.

8 MODERATOR FOURNIER: Any discussion?

9 All in favor please say "aye."

10 AUDIENCE: (In unison) Aye.

11 MODERATOR FOURNIER: All opposed say "nay."

12 Great. Motion passes.

13 I will entertain a motion to approve the  
14 minutes of the Special Town Meeting of November 14,  
15 2022.

16 ASSESSOR HYNES: I'd like to make a motion to  
17 approve the minutes of the Special Town Meeting.  
18 Patrick Hynes, 3940 Forest Avenue, Western Springs,  
19 Illinois.

20 MODERATOR FOURNIER: Thank you.

21 Is there a second?

22 MR. LAZICH: I'll second it. My name is  
23 Ivica Lazich. I'm at 7847 West 45th Place, Lyons,  
24 Illinois. And that's I-v-i-c-a, L-a-z-i-c-h.

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1 Motion to approve the minutes of the Special  
2 Town Meeting so seconded.

3 MODERATOR FOURNIER: Thank you.

4 Any discussion?

5 All in favor please say "aye."

6 AUDIENCE: (In unison) Aye.

7 MODERATOR FOURNIER: Any opposed please say  
8 "nay."

9 Motion passes.

10 Next I will entertain a motion to approve the  
11 Annual Town Reports, which includes the Supervisor's  
12 Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2022/2023 as  
13 presented in booklet form.

14 HON. HARTIGAN: It gives me great pleasure as  
15 former Lyons Township Supervisor to make this motion,  
16 and I would ask for a second and then we'll call for a  
17 vote.

18 MODERATOR FOURNIER: Thank you.

19 HON. HARTIGAN: 5420 Franklin Avenue, Western  
20 Springs, Illinois.

21 MODERATOR FOURNIER: Is there a second?

22 MR. BETZ: I'll second that. Joe Betz,  
23 8507 South 79th Court, Justice, Illinois. I'd like to  
24 make a motion to approve the Town Reports.

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1 MODERATOR FOURNIER: Thank you.

2 Any discussion?

3 All in favor please say "aye."

4 AUDIENCE: (In unison) Aye.

5 MODERATOR FOURNIER: Any opposed say "nay."

6 Motion passes.

7 I will entertain a motion to approve  
8 Resolution 2023-01, Delegating Authority to the  
9 Township Board of Trustees to Purchase, Sell, and  
10 Lease Property.

11 MS. ROSENBECK: I will make that motion.  
12 Kathleen Rosenbeck, 6810 Joliet Road, Indian Head  
13 Park. I make a motion to approve Resolution 2023-0,  
14 to Delegate Authority to the Township Board of  
15 Trustees to Purchase, Sell, and Lease Property.

16 MODERATOR FOURNIER: For the record, Kathy,  
17 that was 2023-01 Resolution?

18 MS. ROSENBECK: Yes.

19 MODERATOR FOURNIER: Does anyone second the  
20 motion?

21 MR. RODRIGUEZ: Second. Sergio Rodriguez,  
22 7421 West Archer Avenue, Summit, Illinois.

23 MODERATOR FOURNIER: Thank you.

24 Any discussion?

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1 All in favor please say "aye."

2 AUDIENCE: (In unison) Aye.

3 MODERATOR FOURNIER: Any opposed say "nay."

4 Motion passes.

5 Next, is there any other new business?

6 Any old business?

7 I will entertain a motion to set the next  
8 Annual Town Meeting for Tuesday, April 9, 2024, at  
9 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall Community Room, at this  
10 location, 6404 Joliet Road, Countryside,  
11 Illinois 60525.

12 MR. THOMAS: I'll make that motion. Kevin  
13 Thomas, 4434 Franklin Avenue in Western Springs,  
14 Illinois.

15 MODERATOR FOURNIER: Is there a second?

16 MR. ERMITAGE: I'll second that. Al  
17 Ermitage, 4601 Warsaw, Lyons, Illinois.

18 MODERATOR FOURNIER: Thank you.

19 Any discussion?

20 All in favor please say "aye."

21 AUDIENCE: (In unison) Aye.

22 MODERATOR FOURNIER: Any opposed say "nay."

23 Motion passes.

24 Lastly, I will entertain a motion to adjourn.

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1           HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER MCDERMOTT: I make a  
2 motion to adjourn. Sean McDermott, 1218 West  
3 Plainfield Road, Countryside, Illinois.

4           MODERATOR FOURNIER: Thank you.

5           I'll second the motion. Keith Grantland,  
6 921 63rd Street, LaGrange Highlands, 60525.

7           MODERATOR FOURNIER: Thank you.

8           Any discussion?

9           All in favor say "aye."

10          AUDIENCE: (In unison) Aye.

11          MODERATOR FOURNIER: Any opposed please say  
12 "nay."

13          Motion passes.

14          Thank you.

15                               (The above-entitled cause was  
16                               adjourned to April 9, 2024.)

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I, PAMELA L. COSENTINO, being first duly sworn on oath says that she is a court reporter doing business in the City of Chicago; that she reported in shorthand the proceedings given at the taking of said Meeting and that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of her shorthand notes so taken as aforesaid and contains all the proceedings given at said Meeting.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF: I have hereunto set my verified digital signature this 2nd day of May, 2023.



PAMELA L. COSENTINO, CSR