



**TOWNSHIP OF LYONS**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA**  
**TOWNSHIP HALL COMMUNITY ROOM**  
**6404 JOLIET RD., COUNTRYSIDE, IL 60525**  
**MAY 14, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL: SUPERVISOR Christopher Getty, TRUSTEES Colleen H. Kelly, Mark Anderson, Donna B. McDonald, Gary B. Crossman**
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - A. APRIL 9, 2024 BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
5. **SUPERVISOR'S REPORT – SUPERVISOR GETTY**
  - A. APPROVAL OF A \$150.00 HOLE SPONSORSHIP AT THE PLEASANTDALE PARKS' FOUNDATION ANNUAL GOLF OUTING TO BE HELD ON FRIDAY, JUNE 14, 2024 AT CARRIAGE GREENS COUNTRY CLUB IN DARIEN, ILLINOIS.
  - B. APPROVAL OF A \$300.00 DONATION TO THE JUSTICE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, 7800 S. ARCHER RD., JUSTICE, IL 60458 FOR THEIR ANNUAL RIB FEST TO BE HELD MAY 18, 2024 FROM 11 A.M. TO 3 P.M. AT WILKINS SCHOOL REAR CAFETERIA ENTRANCE.
  - C. APPROVAL OF A \$300.00 DONATION TO THE JUSTICE PUBLIC LIBRARY, 7641 OAK GROVE AVE., JUSTICE, IL 60458 FOR THEIR SUMMER READING PROGRAM WHICH RUNS FROM JUNE 15, 2024 TO JULY 27, 2024.
  - D. APPROVAL OF A \$300.00 DONATION TO THE SUMMIT PUBLIC LIBRARY, 6233 S. ARCHER RD., SUMMIT, IL 60501 FOR THEIR SUMMER READING PROGRAM THAT BEGINS JUNE 13, 2024.
  - E. APPROVAL OF A \$1,500.00 SPONSORSHIP TO THE WINDY CITY BLUES SOCIETY, 4120 N. HARDING AVE., CHICAGO, IL 60680 WHO IS PARTNERING WITH THE VILLAGE OF WILLOW SPRINGS TO BRING THE CHICAGO BLUES CHALLENGE TO THE COMMUNITY ON JULY 27, 2024 FROM 12 P.M. TO 10 P.M.
  - F. APPROVAL OF A \$3,000.00 DONATION TO THE PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL FOUNDATION OF COOK COUNTY, IL (POMFCC) A 501(C)(3) NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, POST OFFICE BOX 195, OAK LAWN, IL 60454 TO ASSIST AND AID IN HONORING FALLEN POLICE OFFICERS THROUGHOUT THE TOWNSHIP OF LYONS AND COUNTY OF COOK.

**Public comment can be sent prior to the board meeting via e-mail to [ehoffenberg@lyonsts.com](mailto:ehoffenberg@lyonsts.com) by 3 p.m. day of meeting and will be read during the public meeting.**  
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6. **CLERK'S REPORT** – CLERK HOFFENBERG
  - A. REPAIR CAFÉ RECAP SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024
  - B. TOWNSHIP OF LYONS VETERANS SEMINAR RECAP SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024
  - C. APPROVAL OF PROPOSED STAIRWELL LANDING ART PROJECT
  - D. 2024 BUDGETS FILED & ACCEPTED APRIL 18, 2024
  
7. **FINANCE COMMITTEE** – TRUSTEE KELLY
  - A. **PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR PERIOD ENDING MAY 14, 2024**
    - i. **GENERAL TOWN FUND**
    - ii. **GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND**
    - iii. **ROAD & BRIDGE FUND**
    - iii. **SPECIAL POLICE FUND**
  
8. **BUILDING & MAINTENANCE** - TRUSTEE CROSSMAN
9. **SENIOR TRANSPORTATION** – TRUSTEE KELLY
10. **COMMITTEE ON YOUTH** – TRUSTEE McDONALD
11. **MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION** – CLERK HOFFENBERG
12. **SPECIAL POLICE PROTECTION** – TRUSTEE ANDERSON
13. **OLD BUSINESS**
14. **NEW BUSINESS**
15. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – CHUCK BOSCO WESTERN SPRINGS VFW POST 10778 THANK YOU
16. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** – FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION OF THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, COMPENSATION, DISCIPLINE, PERFORMANCE, OR DISMISSAL OF SPECIFIC EMPLOYEES OF THE PUBLIC BODY OR LEGAL CONSEL FOR THE PUBLIC BODY AND PENDING, PROBABLE OR IMMINENT LITIGATION PURSUANT TO 5 ILCS 120/2 (C) (1) AND (11).
17. **ADJOURNMENT**

**NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING – JUNE 11, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.**

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**REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MAY 14, 2024  
(PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL AT THE MEETING OF JUNE 11, 2024)**

1. The Board of Trustees of the Township of Lyons held its Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, May 14, 2024 in the Town Hall, 6404 Joliet Road, Countryside, Illinois 60525.
2. Supervisor Getty called the Meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.
3. Supervisor Getty called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Clerk Elyse Hoffenberg called the Roll, and the following were present:

Christopher Getty	Supervisor
Mark Anderson	Trustee
Colleen H. Kelly	Trustee
Donna B. McDonald	Trustee
Gary B. Crossman	Trustee

Also, in attendance was Patrick Hynes, Township of Lyons Highway Assessor; George Pach, Township of Lyons Deputy Clerk; Liz Shine, Attorney with Odelson, Murphey, Frazier, & McGrath, Ltd; Sherrie Marrotta, Finance Assistant; Township Employees Ed Ajzyk, Molly Price, Kathleen Rosenbeck, and several Township residents.

5. Supervisor Getty asked for a motion to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2024 as presented.  
Trustee Crossman moved; Trustee Anderson to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2024 as presented.  
Voice Vote in favor by all.  
Motion Carried.

6. Supervisor Getty asked for a motion to approve a \$150.00 Hole Sponsorship for the Pleasantdale Parks' Foundation annual Golf Outing to be held on Friday, June 14, 2024 at Carriage Greens Country Club in Darien, Illinois.  
Trustee Anderson moved; Trustee Kelly seconded to approve a \$150.00 Hole Sponsorship for the Pleasantdale Parks' Foundation annual Golf Outing to be held on Friday, June 14, 2024 at Carriage Greens Country Club in Darien, Illinois  
Roll Call: Ayes: Anderson, Kelly, Crossman, McDonald, Getty  
Nays: None

Motion Carried

7. Supervisor Getty asked for a motion to approve a \$300.00 donation to the Justice Chamber of Commerce, 7800 S. Archer Rd., Justice, IL 60458 for their annual Rib Fest to be held May 18, 2024 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Wilkins School rear cafeteria entrance.

Trustee McDonald moved; Trustee Crossman seconded to approve a \$300.00 donation to the Justice Chamber of Commerce, 7800 S. Archer Rd., Justice, IL 60458 for their annual Rib Fest to be held May 18, 2024 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Wilkins School rear cafeteria entrance.

Roll Call: Ayes: McDonald, Crossman, Anderson, Kelly, Getty  
Nays: None

Motion Carried

8. Supervisor Getty asked for a motion to approve a \$300.00 donation to the Justice Public Library, 7641 Oak Grove Ave., Justice, IL 60458 for their Summer Reading Program which will run from June 15, 2024 to July 27, 2024.

Trustee Anderson moved; Trustee McDonald seconded to approve a \$300.00 donation to the Justice Public Library, 7641 Oak Grove Ave., Justice, IL 60458 for their Summer Reading Program which will run from June 15, 2024 to July 27, 2024.

Roll Call: Ayes: Anderson, McDonald, Kelly, Crossman, Getty  
Nays: None

Motion Carried

9. Supervisor Getty asked for a motion to approve a \$300.00 donation to the Summit Public Library, 6233 S. Archer Rd., Summit, IL 60501 for their Summer Reading Program that begins June 13, 2024.

Trustee Crossman moved; Trustee McDonald seconded to approve a \$300.00 donation to the Summit Public Library, 6233 S. Archer Rd., Summit, IL 60501 for their Summer Reading Program that begins June 13, 2024.

Roll Call: Ayes: Crossman, McDonald, Anderson, Kelly, Getty  
Nays: None

Motion Carried

10. Supervisor Getty asked for a motion to approve a \$1,500.00 sponsorship to the Windy City Blues Society, 4120 N. Harding Ave., Chicago, IL 60680 who is partnering with the Village of Willow Springs to bring the Chicago Blues Challenge to the community on July 27, 2024 from 12 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Trustee Anderson moved; Trustee Crossman seconded to approve a \$1,500.00 sponsorship to the Windy City Blues Society, 4120 N. Harding Ave., Chicago, IL 60680 who is partnering with the Village of Willow Springs to bring the Chicago Blues Challenge to the community on July 27, 2024 from 12 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Roll Call: Ayes: Anderson, Crossman, Kelly, McDonald, Getty  
Nays: None

Motion Carried

11. Supervisor Getty asked for a motion to approve a \$3,000.00 donation to the Peace Officers Memorial Foundation of Cook County, IL (POMFCC) a 501(c)(3) Not-for-Profit organization, Post Office Box 195, Oak Lawn, IL 60454 to assist and aid in honoring fallen police officers throughout the Township of Lyons and County of Cook.

Trustee Crossman moved; Trustee McDonald seconded to approve a \$3,000.00 donation to the Peace Officers Memorial Foundation of Cook County, IL (POMFCC) a 501(c)(3) Not-for-Profit organization, Post Office Box 195, Oak Lawn, IL 60454 to assist and aid in honoring fallen police officers throughout the Township of Lyons and County of Cook.

Roll Call: Ayes: Crossman, McDonald, Anderson, Kelly, Getty  
Nays: None

Motion Carried

12. Clerk Hoffenberg stated that a successful Repair Café was held on April 20, 2024 and that the next Repair Café will be held on Saturday, May 18, 2024 from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the Township of Lyons' Community Room. Clerk Hoffenberg commented that knife sharpening will once again be available.

13. Clerk Hoffenberg commented that a Township of Lyons Veteran's Seminar was held on April 27, 2024 and was very well attended. Clerk Hoffenberg stated that on Wednesday, October 2, 2024 in partnership once again in cooperation with Western Springs' VFW Post 10778 & Mr. Charles "Chuck" Bosco, the Township will be hosting a Veteran's Resource Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the La Grange VFW Post 1948, 900 S. La Grange Rd., La Grange, IL 60525.

14. Clerk Hoffenberg reported that the 2024 Budgets for the Township of Lyons had been filed and accepted by the Cook County Clerk's Office on April 18, 2024.

15. Clerk Hoffenberg asked for a motion for approval to proceed with the proposed stairwell landing art project in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00. Trustee Anderson moved; Trustee Crossman seconded for approval to proceed with the proposed stairwell landing art project in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00.

Roll Call: Ayes: Anderson, Crossman, Kelly, McDonald, Getty  
Nays: None

Motion Carried

16. *Finance Committee* – Supervisor Getty reported the payment of bills for the period ending May 14, 2024, is as follows:

A. *General Town Fund* - Trustee Kelly moved; Trustee McDonald seconded to approve the audit of the General Town Fund in the amount of \$223,867.24.

Roll Call: Ayes: Kelly, McDonald, Anderson, Crossman, Getty  
Nays: None

Motion Carried.

B. *General Assistance Fund* – Trustee Kelly moved; Trustee Crossman seconded to approve the audit of the General Assistance Fund in the amount of \$8,701.77.

Roll Call: Ayes: Kelly, Crossman, Anderson, McDonald, Getty  
Nays: None

Motion Carried.

C. *Road and Bridge Fund* - Trustee Kelly moved; Trustee Anderson seconded to approve the audit of the Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of \$64,271.20.

Roll Call: Ayes: Kelly, Anderson, Crossman, McDonald, Getty  
Nays: None

Motion Carried.

D. *Special Police Protection Fund* – Trustee Kelly moved; Trustee Crossman seconded to approve the audit of the Special Police Protection Fund in the amount of \$7,200.00.

Roll Call: Ayes: Kelly, Crossman, Anderson, McDonald, Getty  
Nays: None

Motion Carried.

- 17. *Building & Maintenance* – NO REPORT
- 18. *Senior Transportation* – NO REPORT

19. *Committee on Youth* –Trustee McDonald stated the Township of Lyons Summer Intern Program for Youth has begun taking applications from Township of Lyons’ high school and college residents who are between the ages of 16 and 24 for part time paid internships for the summer at which they will be paid \$14.55 per hour worked. Positions will be with the various agencies the Township of Lyons serves as well as the various park districts and villages / cities found within. All positions begin May 28, 2024 and end September 7, 2024.

20. *Mental Health Commission* – Township of Lyons’ Mental Health Commission President, Elyse Hoffenberg, reported that the Township of Lyons’s Mental Health Commission kicked off Mental Health Awareness Month by revealing their new logo, new newsletter, and unveiling their new website.

21. President Hoffenberg went on to report that Julia Bravo was hired as the part-time Outreach Coordinator for the Mental Health Office, that 3 outreach events were held in the last month in the community and that the 2025-2028 Fiscal Year Strategic Plan was reviewed by the Strategic Planning Committee and will be presented for approval at the May 20, 2024 Regular Board Meeting of the Township of Lyons’ Mental Health Commission.

22. *Special Police Protection* – Trustee Anderson commented that for the month of March 2024, twelve officers provided an additional 180 hours of additional contracted patrol for the unincorporated areas of the Township of Lyons.

- 23. *Old Business* –NONE
- 24. *New Business* – NONE

25. *Public Comment* – Township Resident Mike Sochacki, 8701 Wolf Rd., Willow Springs, IL 60525 addressed the Board of Trustees questioning why the Township of Lyons approved to pay \$1,500.00 to the Windy City Blues Society which Mr. Sochacki believes is a private company. Supervisor Getty assured Mr. Sochacki that the Windy City Blues Society has a 501(C)(3) non-profit division that helps to promote events such as the Chicago Blues Challenge which the Village of Willow Springs will be hosting, and for which the Windy City Blues Society was hired. The Chicago Blues Challenge will be held on July 27, 2024.

26. Mr. Sochacki also asked what design company would be providing the design and ultimate artwork for the front entry stairwell landing. Rachel Wolf, the artist in attendance with whom the Township of Lyons is contracting the work, stated that her company is Delicious Design League.

27. Supervisor Getty mentioned that no action will be taken on Agenda Item #16 but asked for a motion that the Board enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the Public Body and the pending, probable or imminent litigation pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (C) (1) and (11).

28. Trustee McDonald moved; Trustee Kelly seconded to temporarily adjourn the regular portion of the Open Public Meeting and to go into Closed Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the Public Body and the pending, probable or imminent litigation pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (C) (1) and (11) at 6:25 p.m.

Roll Call: Ayes: McDonald, Kelly, Crossman, Anderson, Getty  
Nays: None

Motion Carried

29. Supervisor Getty reconvened the Township of Lyons Regular Open Board Meeting at 7:26 p.m.

30. Clerk Elyse Hoffenberg called the Roll, and the following were present:

Christopher Getty	Supervisor
Mark Anderson	Trustee
Colleen H. Kelly	Trustee
Donna B. McDonald	Trustee
Gary B. Crossman	Trustee

Also in attendance was Elizabeth Shine, Attorney with Odelson, Murphey, Frazier, & McGrath



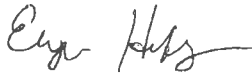
**31. *Adjournment*** – Supervisor Getty, since there was no other business on the agenda, asked for a motion to adjourn the Township of Lyons Regular Board Meeting of May 14, 2024.

Trustee Kelly moved; Trustee Crossman seconded to adjourn the Township of Lyons Regular Board Meeting of May 14, 2024 at 7:27 p.m.

Voice Vote in favor by all.

Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



**Elyse Hoffenberg**  
Clerk, Township of Lyons