TOWNSHIP OF LYONS

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

TOWNSHIP HALL COMMUNITY ROOM

6404 JOLIET RD., COUNTRYSIDE, IL 60525

AUGUST 11, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL: SUPERVISOR Christopher Getty, TRUSTEES Mark Anderson, Miriam Cruz, David Imielski, Candice Mares**

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

   A. JULY 14, 2026 BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES.

5. **SUPERVISOR'S REPORT** – SUPERVISOR GETTY

   A. APPROVAL OF A $400.00 SPONSORSHIP FOR THE UCP SEGUIN "LIFE WITHOUT LIMITS GOLF CLASSIC" TO BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 22, 2026 AT SEVEN BRIDGES GOLF CLUB, WOODRIDGE, ILLINOIS.

6. **CLERK'S REPORT** – CLERK HOFFENBERG

   A. DIGITAL LITERACY CLASS AUGUST 12 10:00 A.M.

   B. SCHOOL SUPPLY DISTRIBUTION RECAP

   C. REPAIR CAFÉ – AUGUST 15, 2026 10:00 A.M – 1:00 P.M

   D. CROSSTOWN WATCH PARTY AUGUST 19 1:00 P.M.

   E. CHAIR YOGA AUGUST 20 & SEPTEMBER 3 1:00 P.M.

7. **ASSESSOR'S REPORT** – ASSESSOR HYNES

8. **HIGHWAY COMMISIONER'S REPORT** – COMMISSIONER CARR

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9. **FINANCE COMMITTEE –** TRUSTEE IMIELSKI

   A. PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR PERIOD ENDING AUGUST 11, 2026

   i. **GENERAL TOWN FUND**
   ii. **GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND**
   iii. **ROAD & BRIDGE FUND**
   iii. **SPECIAL POLICE FUND**

10. **BUILDING & MAINTENANCE** – SUPERVISOR GETTY

11. **SENIOR TRANSPORTATION** – TRUSTEE MARES

12. **COMMITTEE ON YOUTH** – TRUSTEE CRUZ

13. **MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION** – CLERK HOFFENBERG

14. **SPECIAL POLICE PROTECTION** – TRUSTEE ANDERSON

15. **OLD BUSINESS**

16. **NEW BUSINESS**

   A. ARGO PARK INITIATIVE DISCUSSION

   B. APPROVAL OF A $2,500.00 SPONSORSHIP FOR THE LIGHTS ON COLLECTIVE, A 501c3 NON-PROFIT LOCATED AT 2887 W. 85TH PLACE, CHICAGO, IL 60652 TO FUND ENHANCEMENTS TO ARGO PARK IN SUMMIT, ILLINOIS.

17. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

18. **ADJOURNMENT**

NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING – SEPTEMBER 8, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
AUGUST 11, 2026
(PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL AT THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2026)

1. The Board of Trustees of the Township of Lyons held its Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, August 11, 2026 in the Town Hall, 6404 Joliet Road, Countryside, Illinois 60525.

2. Supervisor Getty called the Meeting to order at 6:01 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
Miriam Cruz	Trustee
David Imielski	Trustee
Candice Mares	Trustee

Also, in attendance was Pat Hynes, Township of Lyons Assessor; Terry Carr, Township of Lyons Highway Commissioner; George Pach, Deputy Clerk; Arlene Cabana, Attorney with Odelson, Murphey, Frazier, & McGrath, Ltd; Township Employees Ed Ajzyk, Carrie Bernardoni, Molly Price, and several Township residents.

5. Supervisor Getty asked for a motion to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of July 14, 2026 as presented.
Trustee Imielski moved; Trustee Cruz seconded to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of July 14, 2026 as presented.
Voice Vote in favor by all.
Motion Carried.

6. Supervisor Getty asked for a motion to approve a $400.00 sponsorship for the UCP Sequin "Life Without Limits Golf Classic" to be held on September 22, 2026 at Seven Bridges Golf Club, Woodridge, Illinois.
Trustee Anderson moved; Trustee Mares seconded to approve a $400.00 sponsorship for the UCP Sequin "Life Without Limits Golf Classic" to be held on September 22, 2026 at Seven Bridges Golf Club, Woodridge, Illinois.
Roll Call: Ayes: Anderson, Mares, Cruz, Imielski, Getty
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

7. *Clerk's Report* – Clerk Elyse Hoffenberg reported that interns Justin Cabana and Mirielle "Elle" St. Arnaud are currently running an amazing STEM Camp for twenty-seven children from the Township which will run through Friday, August 14, 2026; Intern Gabriella Estrada is currently running her third annual Pet Pantry which will continue on Thursday, August 13 due to inclement weather today; and that Township of Lyons Employee Aneta Garbacz will be hosting the Annual School Supply Distribution on Friday, August 14 at the Bridgeview Community Center.

8. Clerk Hoffenberg stated that other events slated for the benefit of Township Residents are a Repair Café on August 15 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; a Crosstown Classic Watch Party on August 19 at 1:00 p.m.; and Chair Yoga on August 20 and September 3 at 1:00 p.m.

9. *Assessor's Report* - Township of Lyons' Assessor, Patrick Hynes commented that due to this being a triennial reassessment year for Township of Lyons Residents, his office will be open to help residents file tax appeals through September 3 and that his office will also be hosting several outreach evenings to help residents file their appeals at the following locations all beginning at 6:00 p.m.: Lyons Village Hall, August 12; Summit Park District, August 13; La Grange Village Hall, August 17; Willow Springs Village Hall, August 20; and the City of Countryside Municipal Complex, August 25.

10. *Highway Commissioner's Report* – Township of Lyons Highway Commissioner, Terry Carr, commented that the Highway Department has been busy with storm cleanup within the Township the last few weeks, that the 2026 Township of Lyons' Road Project is done, and that the Flood Mitigation Project on Wolf Road, financed in conjunction with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District (MWRD), is now complete.

11. *Finance Committee* – Trustee Imielski reported the payment of bills for the period ending August 11, 2026, is as follows:

A. *General Town Fund* - Trustee Imielski moved; Trustee Anderson seconded to approve the audit of the General Town Fund in the amount of $444,474.83.
Roll Call: Ayes: Imielski, Anderson, Cruz, Mares, Getty
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

B. *General Assistance Fund* – Trustee Imielski moved; Trustee Mares seconded to approve the audit of the General Assistance Fund in the amount of $3,839.17.
Roll Call: Ayes: Imielski, Mares, Cruz, Anderson, Getty
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

C. *Road and Bridge Fund* – Trustee Imielski moved; Trustee Cruz seconded to approve the audit of the Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of $224,200.34.
Roll Call: Ayes: Imielski, Cruz, Mares, Anderon, Getty
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

D. *Special Police Fund* – Trustee Imielski moved; Trustee Anderson seconded to approve the audits of the Special Police Fund in the amount of $6,480.00.
Roll Call: Ayes: Imielski, Anderson, Cruz, Mares, Getty
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

12. *Building & Maintenance* – NO REPORT

13. *Senior Transportation* – NO REPORT

14. *Committee on Youth* – NO REPORT

15. *Mental Health Commission* – Township of Lyons' Mental Health Commission President, Elyse Hoffenberg, stated "The Commission is working hard to do more with less to do the most amount of good for the greatest number of people." President Hoffenberg commented that the "Thrive" Youth Day Camp, the Youth Ambassadors Program, the Recording Task Force, and the Literacy Task Force have all been highly successful and have hosted such events as a Congregate Luncheon for Seniors at the Village of Bridgeview Community Center, and a Family Pizza Dinner at Mama Luigi's.

16. *Special Police Protection* – Trustee Anderson reported that for the month of July 2026, there were 284 self-premise checks, seven assigned premise checks, and twenty-one school premise checks.

17. *Old Business* – NONE

18. *New Business* – Supervisor Getty asked for the approval of a $2,500.00 sponsorship for The Lights On Collective, a 501c3 non-profit located at 2887 W. 85th Place, Chicago, IL 60652 to fund enhancements to Argo Park in Summit, Illinois. Supervisor Getty stated that enhancements include the purchase of an engraved limestone gateway stone, a new park pathway, and new landscaping. Supervisor Getty commented that April Kates-Ellison, Argo Park Initiative Director, stated that she has received verbal agreements for two $500.00 Sponsorships from donors, but have not yet received payment and inquired if the Township of Lyons may be able to help out so that the park enhancements may be completed.
Supervisor Getty stated that the ribbon cutting for the completed Argo Park enhancements is scheduled for 11 a.m. Thursday, August 13, 2026.
Trustee Imielski moved; Trustee Cruz seconded to approve a $2,500.00 sponsorship for The Lights On Collective, a 501c3 non-profit located at 2887 W. 85th Place, Chicago, IL 60652 to fund enhancements to Argo Park in Summit, Illinois.
Roll Call: Ayes: Imielski, Cruz, Mares, Anderson, Getty
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

19. *Public Comment* – The following individuals spoke during the Public Comment portion of the Township of Lyons' Regular Board Meeting on August 11, 2026. Supervisor Getty stated that all public comments would be taken under advisement from the Board of Trustees and that there would be no immediate two-way discussion on any of the items brought forward tonight.

- Township of Lyons Resident, Mike Sochacki, stated that the Board of Trustees should rescind the vote that they just took tonight on the $2500.00 Argo Park Initiative Sponsorship since it is three times the $750.00 limit that the current Township of Lyons Donation Policy had set. Mr. Sochacki commented that the Township should not be making up donations that other charitable donors have pledged to the group but have not yet paid.

- **Mr. Sochacki also inquired as to whom from the Township of Lyons will be attending the UCP "Life Without Limits Golf Classic" on September 22 to which the Board just approved a $400.00 sponsorship.**

- **Township of Lyons Resident, La Shinda John, asked the Township of Lyons' Board of Trustees, "When does a resident get an answer to the question that they may ask the Board during the Public Comment Period of the meeting, since no answer is immediately given to them?" Supervisor Getty then stated that the Public Comment period of the Board Meeting is for comments only and that any questions for which a resident is seeking an answer, can be addressed after the Board Meeting to whichever board member the resident may wish to approach.**

20. ***Adjournment*** **– Supervisor Getty asked for a motion to adjourn the Township of Lyons Regular Board Meeting of August 11, 2026.**
Trustee Anderson moved; Trustee Imielski seconded to adjourn the Township of Lyons Regular Board Meeting of August 11, 2026 at 6:17 p.m.
Voice Vote in favor by all.
Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elyse Hoffenberg
Clerk, Township of Lyons