

(COUNTY OF MACON)
(TOWN OF DECATUR)
(STATE OF ILLINOIS)

June 5, 2025

A meeting of the Town Board of Trustees in and for the Town of Decatur, County of Macon, State of Illinois, was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Supervisor Susan Tulak, in the Decatur Township Community Room at the Decatur Township Office Building, 1620 S. Taylorville Rd., Decatur, Illinois upon the request of Susan Tulak, this 5th day of June 2025, forty-eight hours' notice have been given to each member of the Board of Trustees. A roll call was taken.

Michael Smith	absent
Amy Rueff	present
Devon Joyner	present
Supervisor Susan Tulak	present

Also present, Assessor Vicki Sheets, Road Commissioner, Gary Brennan, Attorney Andrew Jarmar.

Public Comments: Town Clerk Owens announced person signed in for public comments.

Supervisor Tulak requested to move the appointment and Oath of Town Trustee Michael Damery to first on the agenda. The consensus of the board is to concur with Tulak request. Clerk Owens read the Warrant to Appoint and administered the oath.

STATE OF ILLINOIS

County of Macon) ss
Township of Decatur)

**WARRANT OF APPOINTMENT
OF THE DECATUR TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

To Ada Owens, Decatur Township, Township Clerk.

WHEREAS the office of Township Trustee in Decatur Township became vacant after the death of Trustee John Funk on January 17, 2025, and the Township Board declared the vacancy on January 17, 2025.

THEREFORE, we the undersigned, being a majority of the members of the Township Board of Trustees of Decatur Township (including the Township Clerk in the event of a tie), appoints Mmichael Damery to the office of Trustee for Decatur Township to hold said office until John Funk term expires (May 19, 2029) or until some other person shall be chosen or appointed and to have the same powers, and be subject to the same duties and penalties as if he or she had been chosen by the electors of Decatur Township.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto subscribed to our names and affixed our seal at Decatur Township, dated this 5th day of June 2025.

Township Supervisor

Township Trustee

Township Trustee

Township Trustee

Township Clerk

(Seal)

Trustee Rueff made the motion to appoint Michael Damery to fill the vacant trustee's position and Supervisor Tulak seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Michael Smith	absent
Amy Rueff	yes
Devon Joyner	yes
Supervisor Susan Tulak	yes

The Chair declared the motion carried on 3 yes votes and Michael Damery is appointed. After Clerk Owens informed the public, the clerk has the authority to administer Oath according to **60 ILCS 1/75-5** of the Illinois Statutes.

Oath of Office

State of Illinois)
Decatur Township) ss.
Macon County)

I, Michael Damery, do solemnly swear (affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Township Trustee to the best of my ability.

Michael Damery

Signed and sworn (affirmed) before me on:

June 5, 2025

Township Clerk, Ada Owens

Approval of May 8, 2025, Regular Board Minutes Trustee Joyner made the motion to approve the Board Minutes of May 2, 2025, and Trustee Rueff seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Michael Smith	absent
Michael Damery	yes
Amy Rueff	yes
Devon Joyner	yes
Supervisor Susan Tulak	yes

The Chair declared the motion carried on 4 yes votes and the Minutes are approved.

Next item: Treasurer’s Report/ signing Board Certificates: Trustee Rueff made the motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report in the amount of \$ 216,347.81 and Trustee Joyner seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

<u>General Town Fund</u>	<u>\$ 82,410.53</u>
<u>Cemetery Reconstruction Fund</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<u>Cemetery Fund</u>	<u>\$ 79,242.51</u>
<u>Liability Fund (TOIRMA)</u>	<u>\$ 32,922.00</u>
<u>Road & Bridge</u>	<u>\$ 1,514.06</u>
<u>General Assistance Administration Fund</u>	<u>\$ 8,596.14</u>
<u>General Assistance Fund</u>	<u>\$ 11,662.57</u>

Michael Smith	absent
Michael Damery	yes
Amy Rueff	yes
Devon Joyner	yes
Supervisor Susan Tulak	yes

The chair declared the motion carried on 4 yes votes to approve the Treasurer’s Report in the amount of \$216.347.81.

April 2025 Audit: Trustee Joyner made the motion to approve the Audit and Trustee Damery seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Michael Smith	absent
Michael Damery	yes
Amy Rueff	yes
Devon Joyner	yes
Supervisor Susan Tulak	yes

The chair declared the motion carried on 4 yes votes and April’s Audit is approved.

New Business: Appointment and Oath of Town Trustee Michael Damery, Discussion /Action on Cleaning/ Sanitizing the Township Building, Discussion/ Possible Action on the following: Agreement for Service Between Decatur Township and Old King’s Orchard Community Center, Resolution Approving a Social Services Contract Between Decatur Township and Old Kings Orchard Community Center for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, Resolution Adopting a Policy to Provide Services under 85-13 of Illinois Township Code for General Assistance Public Act 103-0192, Discussion /Possible Action to Amend the Town Budget 2025-2026

Discussion /Possible Action on Cleaning/Sanitizing the Town’s Office Building: Discussion ensued about how much of the attic will need cleaning or if there is a firewall in the ceiling, how much of the ceiling was assessed by the companies giving the estimates (Servpro and Peerless Cleaning & Restoration Services) and if the estimates includes cleaning and replacing tiles , will all tiles be replaced on the upper level of the building or only the affected area where

the Raccoon had nested. Sheets states the area of concern is in the Assessor space. Therefore, her input should be heard. Because the Maintenance man Chris and one of her employees have looked around in the attic and seen the mess left from the raccoons, all the ceiling tile on the upper level will need replacing in her opinion. Tulak states she will have Jones and Sullivan to do an assessment. The board concurs. The consensus of the board is to have a professional and one of the board members to access the attic. Therefore, table the item until the assessment is complete.

Discussion/ Possible Action on the following: Agreement for Service Between Decatur Township and Old King's Orchard Community Center, Resolution Approving a Social Services Contract Between Decatur Township and Old Kings Orchard Community Center for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, Resolution Adopting a Policy to Provide Services under 85-13 of Illinois Township Code for General Assistance Public Act 103-0192. Attorney Jarmar reports pending further legal clarification, he suggest tabling the vote on approval of the subject matter. The consensus of the board is to table.

Old Business: Supervisor Tulak reports that Grizzly Green Lawn Care will begin the Town's Building Landscape Project Saturday June 7, 2025.

Cemetery Business: Cemetery Chair reports all is going well at the Town's Cemeteries. The Greenwood Cemetery Drainage and Rebuild project is in the works. The firm of SKS, LLC. Engineers have assessed the area to be repaired. King of Trees completed work at Greenwood Cemetery removing damaged trees and limbs from the storm in May. Further, work has begun on the Wildflower project on the hill at Greenwood Cemetery. Also there is damage to the storage shed and concrete.

Assessor Business: Assessor Sheets reports all is well in the Assessor's office. Staff is working in the field. The taxpayers are upset because of the Real Property Tax increases. Further, the Assessors Office will be submitting the Assessment Books to the Macon County Tax Assessor on June 15, 2025, on time. The assessor's Office will again participate in the Seniorama this year at the Decatur Civic Center June 12, 2025.

Road Commissioner: No reports.

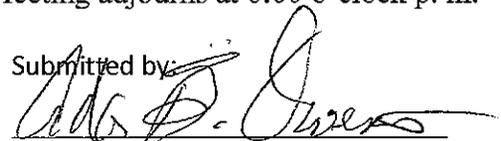
General Assistance/ Outreach: Supervisor Tulak reports the General Clients are being served. Currently General Assistance serves about 60 active clients.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Supervisor Tulak made the motion to adjourn, and Trustee Funk seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Michael Smith	absent
Michael Damery	yes
Amy Rueff	yes
Devon Joyner	yes
Supervisor Susan Tulak	yes

The Chair declared the motion carried on 4 yes votes and the Board Meeting adjourns at 6:00 o'clock p. m.

Submitted by:



Town Clerk, Ada B. Owens