

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

January 8, 2026

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 Tulak, in the Decatur Township Community Room, Upper Level, at the Decatur Township Office Building, 1620 S. Taylorville Rd., Decatur, Illinois upon the request of Susan Tulak, Supervisor, this 8st day of January 2026, 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
Michael Damery	present
Devon Joyner	present
Supervisor Susan Tulak	present

Also, present, Assessor, Vicki Sheets, Gary Brennan, Attorney Andrew Jarmer, and members of the public.

Clerk Ada Owens reports no one signed in for public comments.

Approval of December 4 Board Meeting Minutes: Trustee Joyner made the motion to approve the Regular Board Minutes and Trustee Rueff seconded the motion. A roll call was taken.

Michael Smith	absent
Amy Rueff	yes
Michael Damery	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 Damery made the motion to approve Treasurer's Report to pay the bills in the amount of \$172,165.04 and Trustee Joyner seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

<u>General Town Fund</u>	<u>\$ 115,561.54</u>
<u>Cemetery Reconstruction Fund</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<u>Cemetery Fund</u>	<u>\$ 29,940.42</u>
<u>Road & Bridge</u>	<u>\$ 688.21</u>
<u>Liability Fund (TOIRMA)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<u>General Assistance Administration Fund</u>	<u>\$ 8,505.84</u>
<u>General Assistance Program Fund</u>	<u>\$ 17,468.96</u>

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

The chair declared the motion carried on 4 yes votes and the Treasurer's Report in the amount of \$172, 165.04 is approved.

November 2025 Audit Report: Supervisor Tulak asks for a motion to approve November's Audit? Trustee Joyner made the motion to approve November's Audits and Trustee Rueff seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

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

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

New Business: Discussion/Action on Day of Week/ Time for holding monthly Board Meetings: Discussion/ Action: Discussion/ Action to update Cemetery/ Town Employees Handbook to include Christmas Eve and Election Day (President) as additional paid Holidays: Supervisor Tulak states the board needs to decide if they would like to continue to keep the regular board meetings on the 1st Thursday of each month, and keep the time at 5:00 o'clock p.m. or change the date and time? Tulak made the motion to keep the same present date and time, 1st Thursday of each at 5:00 o'clock p.m. and Trustee Joyner seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

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

The chair declared the motion carried on 4 yes votes to approve the board meeting date and time.

Supervisor Tulak reports it is necessary to add to the Town's Handbook language to bring all employees Town and Cemetery in line with the changes negotiated in the General Assistance Contract regarding the extra paid holidays, Christmas Eve and Election Day. Trustee Joyner made the motion to revise the Town's Handbook and Trustee Damery seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

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

The chair declared the motion carried on 4 yes votes to approve revising the Town's Handbook.

Cemetery Business: Supervisor Tulak turned the Cemetery matter over to the Cemetery Board. Cemetery Trustee Concetta Guyse states after reviewing the fees of other Cemeteries, for example, Bloomington, Springfield and Decatur Illinois, the Cemetery Board would like to increase the cemetery fees. Also, noticing Decatur township has not increased fees for several years, the Cemetery Board has submitted to each Town Board member our suggested increases. (See

attachment). Trustee Joyner made the motion to increase the Town's Cemetery fees as presented and Supervisor Tulak seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

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

The chair declared the motion to increase the Town's Cemeteries fees carried on 4 yes votes.

Assessor Business: Assessor Sheets reports on the Assessor employees are in the middle of Board of Review Hearing for people who did not agree with their assessments.

Road Commissioner Report: None

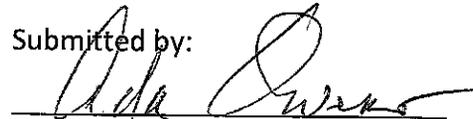
General Assistance/Outreach: Supervisor Tulak reports there are approximately 85 clients on the General Assistance roll. All clients are serviced.

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

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

The chair declared the motion carried on 4 yes votes and the Board Meeting adjourns at 5:25 P.M.

Submitted by:



Ada Owens, Town Clerk