

**Minutes of The
May 5, 2026 Regular Meeting
Sugar Grove Township
Kane County, Illinois**

Supervisor Rowe called the regular meeting of the Township Board to order at 6:16 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call.

ROLL CALL: Present were Trustees Jon Bobbe, Jerry Elliott, Lewis Medina, Rick Montalto, Supervisor Tom Rowe, Assessor Karas, Road Commissioner Musser and Clerk Marion Bond.

ALSO PRESENT: Jeff Humm, Dan Nagel, Dick O'Connor, Phil Silagi, and Dan Statkus.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Phil Silagi said that after serving on the Township Board for more than 10 years, he felt that he could do more for our County and that he will be running for County Board and asked everyone for their support. He said that the far west of the County needs solid representation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Supervisor Rowe asked for a motion to approve the April 7, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes; motion by Trustee Medina, second by Trustee Montalto. Supervisor Rowe called for a vote; Trustees Bobbe, Elliott, Medina, Montalto and Supervisor Rowe voted Aye, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS & REPORTS:

Township Check Register & Reconciliation Report: Supervisor Rowe asked for a motion to review and approve the Township Bills for the month of March. Motion by Trustee Medina second by Trustee Montalto. Supervisor Rowe pointed out ck#20149 made out to the Sugar Grove Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$2000 and explained that is the Township sponsorship of Groovin' in the Grove. Rowe asked if there were any other questions on the Township bills, there being none he called for roll call. Trustees Bobbe, Elliott, Medina, Montalto and Supervisor Rowe voted Aye, motion carried.

Road District Check Register & Reconciliation Report: Supervisor Rowe asked for a motion to review and approve the Road District Bills for the month of February. Motion by Trustee Bobbe, second by Trustee Medina. Supervisor Rowe asked Commissioner Musser if he wanted to review Ck# 13536 through #13542. Commissioner Musser said they are all to Schenk Custom Contractors related to the new storage building. Supervisor Rowe asked if there were any other questions on the Road bills, there being none he asked for roll call. Trustees Bobbe, Medina, Elliott, Montalto and Supervisor Rowe voted Aye, motion carried.

PAYROLL & PTO April 2026 for informational purposes.

PROFIT & LOSS Reports through 4.30.26: Supervisor Rowe pointed out that this is the first month of the new fiscal year and asked if there were any other questions on the Township or Road District P&L. There were none.

CORRESPONDENCE: Supervisor Rowe said he included a flyer from Sugar Grove Fire District announcing the grand opening/ribbon cutting of their new Training Tower on May 14th at 9:00 am. They are asking for RSVP by May 4th. He also presented a flyer about the SGFD/Kiwanis Club Pork Chop and Chicken Dinner Drive-Thru by 5-B's Catering on May 21st,

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

1. Senior/Disabled Transportation Update: A total of 180 residents are registered for the transportation program as of 3/31/26 and a total of 74 rides were given in April. A total of 6,624 rides have been taken from 9/1/18 thru 4/30/26.
2. Senior Lunch Update – the monthly senior lunch was held on April 28th at the Community Building. Pulled Pork sandwiches and sides were served to approximately 70 seniors & volunteers.
3. Lawn Mowing Update – applications for summer lawn mowing were mailed on March 11th with a deadline to reply by April 15th. We have received 22 inquiries and have confirmed 14 households so far. We budgeted for 15 households so we have one opening.
4. Health Insurance Committee Update – a second meeting of our committee met on April 14th. Health Insurance plan comparisons were researched by committee members and included Kane County, State of Illinois, Village of Sugar Grove, and Kane County Townships. Our next meeting is scheduled for June 4th to further research alternative plans.
5. TOI Events – There is a 2026 Education Event at Lemont Township on Thursday June 18th. (see attached flyer)
6. Community Newsletter – Meredith Krantz of Krantz Strategies is designing our 2026 newsletter. The format is an 8-panel brochure to include general Township and Community Building information, Hanks Road and Bike Bridge updates, Between Friends Food Pantry, Sugar Grove Historical Society and INC Board. Please see the attached proof as we can still edit copy prior to May 15th.
7. Township Uniforms – since vests were ordered last year, I would like to order polo shirts this year. If the Board concurs I will have samples at our next meeting. Trustee Montalto suggested a button-down shirt with a pocket in light blue.
8. Audit Update – Lauterbach & Amen will be doing preliminary fieldwork at our office the week of May 18th. We are hoping the final audit will be presented either our August or September Board meeting.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: Assessor Karas said there were 5 new home permits issued and 4 homes were transferred to owners. One of the Grove subdivisions has been started. Assessments have been sent to the County for approval and will be published in the Beacon News.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: They did larvicide training and applied the larvicide for mosquito abatement. The plows, shredders and wings are off the trucks. They should be in the new building in about 2 weeks. They need to clean the floor and seal it.

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Community Building – Trustee Bobbe said they are looking to become more independent from the Township. They are looking at hiring their own IT, and hiring their own accounting, and some other things. The big question is about the enclosure for the garbage & recycling space. They also talked about painting. Orkin came to their last meeting and provided a quote to take care of the bat problem
Airport Authority – Trustee Medina reported that the Mayor of Aurora attended and wanted ideas about the sign and how to bring more business to the airport and asked people at the airport to contact his office.

Water Authority – Trustee Elliott said Blackberry Creek is running at 22,600gpm, down from 35,500. Airport well is 10 feet down, Well 101 in Aurora pumped for 23 consecutive days. Wells 101, 129, 119 pump 7.3 million gallons/day. Blackberry Creek flow is for 2025 was 50% lower than 2024. Sustainable use is 1.67 million but demand is 2.12 million

Mental Health - Trustee Montalto said meeting is next month. Kiwanis car show and Waubensee has offered their north lot for the show. It will be June 20th from 9-3 and they will have food trucks there for lunch. They will be at the north end of campus. The entry fee is \$20 before June and \$25 from June 15th- June 20th. Carousel Sound will provide music, handle registration and trophies. They will have a 50/50 drawing and raffle prizes.

Clerk's Report – We had a FOIA request about underground environmental contaminants on a vacant property, and directed their inquiry to the SG Fire Department as they keep the records.

PRESENTATION: Sugar Grove Water Authority, Trustee Jerry Elliott

Trustee Elliott gave an informative power-point presentation covering the state of water depletion in the Sugar Grove Township area and showed where the aquifers are and whether they are shallow or deep. He explained how neighboring towns and villages are using the water and noted the negative effect on aquatic life.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. IDOT letter Re: Hankes Road Bridge: IDOT has started phase 2 design of the new bridge. The Village has sent an IGA to IDOT. Doug said the Road District is waiting to find out if they will pothole the existing bridge and will continue to plow. After the new bridge is constructed, the Village will pothole.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Consideration and Potential Approval of Mental Health 708 Budget and Appropriation Request – Supervisor Rowe asked for a motion to consider and approve Mental Health 708 Budget & Appropriation request. Motion by Trustee Montalto, second by Trustee Medina. Supervisor Rowe asked for a vote; Trustees Bobbe, Medina, Elliott, Montalto and Supervisor Rowe voted Aye, motion carried.
- b. Consideration and Potential Approval of Town Budget & Appropriation Ordinance #2026-1. Motion by Trustee Medina, second by Trustee Elliott. Supervisor Rowe called for a vote Trustee Bobbe, Medina, Elliott, Montalto and Supervisor Rowe all voted aye, motion carried.

Supervisor Rowe asked for a motion to Adjourn – Motion by Trustee Elliott, second by Trustee Bobbe. Voice Vote carried. Meeting Adjourned 7:25 pm

Next Regular Meeting: Tuesday, June 2nd, 2026 at 6:00 pm