

**Regular Board Meeting of the
Elk Grove Township Board of Trustees
Elk Grove Township Hall
600 Landmeier Rd., Elk Grove Village, IL 60007
July 28, 2025**

Minutes

- I. Call to Order Supervisor Scaletta called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- II. Roll Call Supervisor Scaletta, Assessor Carioselli, Clerk Satern, Trustees Dukes, Lugiai, Stajniak, Wynkoop. Also in attendance: Administrator Manzo, Clinical Director of Adult and Family Counseling Luanne Pross, Director of Social Services and Community Outreach Corey Dewey, Chief Deputy Assessor Laurie Wagner, Youth Services Program Coordinator Jenn Hann
- III. Public Comment None
- IV. Consent Agenda
 - A. Authorization for Payroll/Bills – Town Fund, General Assistance, Road Dept. & Sewer
 - B. Department Reports – Administrative Services, Social Services, Food Pantry, Youth Services, Adult & Family Counseling, and Financial –
Administrative Services – bus rides have increased by 14% with two new drivers and the Ecolane dispatch system improving efficiency.
Social Services – General Assistance has increased 24%, our contract with the Salvation Army was renewed, and the staff attended a seminar on Formerly Incarcerated Clients by the Illinois Department of Economic Security.
Food Pantry – resident use is up 1%, donations are up 4% and volunteers hours are up 38%. The Meijer Simply Give Program has launched for the fall and 20 people have signed up to use the Food Pantry Lockers.
Youth Services - Social Skills groups are up 34% with 154 youth participating. School based programs are up 67% for the year. The department participated in Game Nights at the Oasis and Black Hawk manufactured home parks, and had a table at the District 59 Community Day and held Bike Safety Courses.
Counseling - sessions are up 35% this year. There are more staff available and the wait list is moving quicker.

Clinical Director Luanne Pross shared that the department does individual, family, and couples counseling as well as ADHD testing, mental health assessment, diagnosis and treatment, parent seminars and collaborates with the Josselyn Center regarding medications. Counseling is available for all ages and can be in person or by telehealth, during daytime and evening hours.

Our full-time counseling staff includes Carmen Martinez and Priya Vadaya Bhatt, and part-time staff includes Karina Balderas and Juan Nevarez-Barron. All are bilingual and have previous experience in the field with many certifications. Trustee Wynkoop asked if the hiring of one more full-time staff member would put an end to the waitlist. Supervisor Scaletta stated that each time we increase staff there are more residents seeking counseling so the waitlist continues.

- C. Approval of Executive Session Minutes from March 24, 2025 and April 28, 2025. Trustee Lugiai made a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda and the Executive Session Minutes of March 24, 2025 and April 28, 2025 and Trustee Wynkoop seconded the Motion. *The Motion passed on a 5-0 roll call vote.*

V. Approval of Minutes

- A. June 23, 2025 – Regular Board Meeting – Trustee Stanjiak made a Motion to approve the Minutes of the June 23, 2025 Regular Board Meeting and Trustee Lugiai seconded the Motion. *The Motion passed on a 5-0 roll call vote.*

VI. Presentations None

VII. Reports - Acceptance of Township Elected Officials' Monthly Reports

- A. Assessor – Assessor Carosielli provided a written report and stated that she attended a Cook County Township Assessors meeting on Friday. The tax bills that should be out on July 1st are delayed, and may be out in September or October. Assessor Carosielli talked about legislation that may raise the income threshold to \$75,000 to qualify for the Senior Freeze exemption. Required Minimum Distributions are affecting seniors qualifying for the freeze. Also there is an inequity as the cost of living in southern Illinois is so much lower than in the Cook County area. Some of these issues could be dealt with by changing state statutes. Supervisor Scaletta suggested that the Assessor send a letter to our state lawmakers regarding this issue, which she agreed to do. Trustee Wynkoop spoke about the benefits of living in Elk Grove Township as opposed to southern Illinois. Assessor Caroselli invited Trustee Wynkoop to visit our Assessors Office when our senior residents who have received their second installment tax bills are coming to us for help. Supervisor Scaletta stated that our state representatives recently visited the township. When we told them about our seniors being distressed because they don't qualify for the Senior Freeze, they thought the increase to \$75,000 had passed.
- B. Clerk – Clerk Satern provided a written report with one FOIA and an update on our participation in the local parades.
- C. Supervisor – Supervisor Scaletta shared the following updates:
 - 1. July 4 – participation in the Mount Prospect parade
 - 2. July 7 – new office furniture arrived and was installed
 - 3. Newsletter – distributed by mail and online
 - 4. Holiday Assistance Program starting - \$14,000 fundraising goal to provide approximately 1000 Thanksgiving baskets to Food Pantry participants
 - 5. Financial Director Erika Renz – completed FOIA training to become a certified FOIA officer along with Administrator Manzo and Clerk Satern

6. Smoke Testing – met with the contractor. The testing will start in late August. Residents will be given written notice 7 days ahead, and a reminder with a door hanger 3-4 days prior to the testing.
7. Back to School Blast Off – collecting school supplies at 8 collection sites, June 16 – July 31.
8. Senior Walking Event – only one attendee due to extreme heat
9. July 4-6 – Community Food Drive - collection for Elk Grove Township and Wheeling Township Food Pantries in Elk Grove Village and Arlington Heights. Supervisor Scaletta thanked Trustee Stanjiak for her involvement.
10. 7/10 – Senior Seminar on Wills and Trusts here – 18 residents attended.
11. 7/15 – Bike Safety Open Ride – 20 residents attended as well as Elk Grove Friends of Cycling and Elk Grove Village Police Bike Safety Department
12. July 16 – donations to Food Pantry of a pallet of gummy candy and a pallet of noodles.
13. Indivisible Elk Grove – huge donation to Food Pantry
14. July 28 – Passport Day with Representative Krishnamorthi – there was a 535% increase in the number of residents from our last Passport Day. The staff completed 81 new minor or expired passport applications, reviewed 27 applications for renewals and took 102 passport photos. Trustee Stanjiak stated that the residents commented that our staff and volunteers are wonderful.

A Motion to approve the Township Elected Officials' Monthly Reports was made by Trustee Wynkoop and seconded by Trustee Lugiari. ***The Motion passed on a 5-0 roll call vote.***

VIII. Correspondence None

IX. Old Business None

X. New Business

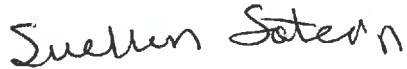
A. Resolution 2025-13 Petition Request for Annexation from Elk Grove Village – Supervisor Scaletta stated that Elk Grove Village annexed the Elk Grove Township Cemetery and right-of-way in the past. Now they are annexing the cemetery road. We will need to adjust our IGA with the village to remove the cemetery road from being maintained/serviced. Trustee Wynkoop made a Motion to approve Resolution 2025-13 and Trustee Dukes seconded the Motion. ***The Motion passed on a 5-0 roll call vote.***

XI. Discussion and Comments from Trustees Trustee Lugiari thanked Clinical Director Pross and her staff for their work with our residents. Trustee Wynkoop complimented the staff, particularly on their problem solving on a recent bus issue.

XII. Executive Session Matters None Scheduled

XIII. Adjourn Trustee Lugiai made a Motion to Adjourn and the Motion was seconded by Trustee Stanjiak. *The Motion passed on a voice vote.* The meeting adjourned at 7:44 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Suellen Satern". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Suellen Satern
Elk Grove Township Clerk