

OSWEGO TOWNSHIP
KENDALL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION 2023-01

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONTENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES, AUTHORIZING THE CONTINUED RETENTION AND RELEASE, RESPECTIVELY, OF CERTAIN EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES, AND AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF VERBATIM RECORDINGS OF CERTAIN OSWEGO TOWNSHIP BOARD EXECUTIVE SESSIONS MORE THAN EIGHTEEN MONTHS OLD

WHEREAS, Oswego Township ("**Township**") is an Illinois township formed and operating pursuant to the Illinois Township Code ("**Code**"), 60 ILCS 1/1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has met from time to time in executive session for purposes authorized by, and in conformity with, the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1.01, et seq.;

WHEREAS, the Township Clerk has kept written minutes and verbatim audio recordings of all such executive sessions in accordance with the Open Meetings Act;

WHEREAS, the Township Board recently met in closed session for its semi-annual review and approval of executive session minutes as to content and by this enactment hereby approve the content of such minutes;

WHEREAS, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2.06, the Township Board has met in closed session to review previously-unreleased executive session minutes and determine whether a need for confidentiality still exists with respect to such minutes;

WHEREAS, the Township Board hereby finds and determines that the minutes of the closed session meetings listed in **Exhibit A**, attached hereto, and by this reference made a part hereof and fully integrated herein, no longer require confidential treatment because such confidentiality is no longer necessary to protect the public interest or the privacy of any individuals, and should therefore be released to the public;

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities have found and determined that a need for confidentiality still exists in order to protect the public interest or the privacy of individuals with respect to the executive session minute from April 14, 2020 and such executive session minutes shall remain confidential, subject to further review and determination as to their appropriateness for release at a future date;

WHEREAS, as to the verbatim audio recordings of the closed session portion of the meetings set forth in Section 4 of this Resolution, at least eighteen (18) months have passed since the completion of those executive session minutes, the minutes of such closed sessions have been approved as to content, and the Township Board hereby finds and determines that destruction of the verbatim audio recordings of the identified closed sessions set forth in Section 4 is advisable

and in accordance with the requirements of the Open Meetings Act and hereby approve and direct such destruction in accordance with Section 2.06(c) of the Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees for Oswego Township, Kendall County, as follows:

SECTION 1: RECITALS. The forgoing recitals are hereby incorporated into this Resolution herein as findings of the Oswego Township Board of Trustees.

SECTION 2: APPROVAL AS TO CONTENT. The written minutes of all Township Board executive session meetings taking place on or prior to July 13, 2021 are hereby approved as to content.

SECTION 3. DETERMINATION OF CONFIDENTIALITY AND DIRECTION TO RELEASE AND WITHHOLD, RESPECTIVELY, EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES.

A. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to make the minutes from those executive session meetings set forth in **Exhibit A** available for public inspection and copying in accordance with the standing procedures of the Clerk's Office and the governing regulations of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

B. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to maintain the minutes from the April 14, 2020 executive session meeting for which release has not yet been approved in a confidential matter in order to protect the public interest and the privacy of individuals.

SECTION 4. DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN VERBATIM AUDIO RECORDINGS. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to destroy forthwith all verbatim audio recordings of closed session meetings of the Township Board which took place on or prior to September 8, 2020.

SECTION 5. RESOLUTION OF CONFLICTS. All resolutions or ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 6. SAVING CLAUSE. If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this Resolution shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Resolution, which are hereby declared to be separable.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval as provided by law.

Passed on February 14, 2023, on a roll call vote as follows:

AYES: *Bush, SAWICKI, WEST* ABSTAIN:

NAYES: *SELMER, JACOBSEN* ABSENT:

Joe West

Supervisor

ATTEST:
Kentel...

Clerk

EXHIBIT A

Executive Session Minutes Approved for Release

November 10, 2018
January 15, 2019
February 12, 2019
March 12, 2019
September 8, 2020
July 13, 2021