

# HOMER TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES

## Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees

### MORRIS PARK SITE PLANNING AND COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION OPEN HOUSE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31, 2021 7:00 pm  
HOMER TOWNSHIP HALL  
16057 S. CEDAR ROAD, LOCKPORT, IL 60491

*Minutes presented and approved by the Board 4-12-2021*

The meeting will be conducted at the Homer Township Hall in accordance with Illinois Gubernatorial Executive Orders, Restore Illinois Phase 4 and CDC Guidelines.  
*An audio recording of the meeting will be available on the website: <http://www.homertownship.com/>*

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:02pm
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America was performed
3. **Roll Call – Supervisor Meyers, Trustees Kalas, Kruczek, and Fijan**
4. **Introduction of Upland Design Project Manager and Presentation of Proposed Morris Park Upgrades:**  
Ms. Kelly from Upland Design presented to the Board and Audience potential park designs. The Community participated by reviewing these designs and submitting suggestions/ideas and most favorable park design on a written questionnaire.
5. **Public participation and input:** The Audience provided feedback via written form submitted directly to Upland design. Ms. De Grassi stated she was very fond of the fishing pier and water access.
6. **Board of Trustees input:** Trustee Kruczek questioned the possibility of an added path area near to the soccer fields where he surmised heavy foot traffic may exist.
7. **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn at 7:10pm by Trustee Kruczek, second by Trustee Kalas, No Discussion, All yes, Motion carries.

#### NOTICE UNDER THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

In accordance with the requirements of title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), Homer Township will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

**Employment:** The Township does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under title I of the ADA.

**Effective Communication:** The Township will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in Homer Township programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communications accessible to people who have speech, hearing, or vision impairments.

**Modifications to Policies and Procedures:** The Township will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomed in Township offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of Homer Township, should contact the office of the *Township Clerk Kathy Kruczek, 14350 W. 151<sup>st</sup> Street, Homer Glen, IL 708-301-7042* as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

The ADA does not require Homer Township to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden. Homer Township will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids/services or reasonable modifications of policy, such as retrieving items from locations that are open to the public but are not accessible to persons who use wheelchairs.

Complaints that a program, service, or activity of Homer Township is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to the *Township Supervisor, Pam Meyers, 14350 W. 151<sup>st</sup> Street, Homer Glen, IL 708-301-4534.*