

## STOP THE SALE OF YOUR HOMER TOWNSHIP OPEN SPACE!

Homer Glen - Lockport - Homer Township

**URGENT NOTICE** to Residents in Homer Glen, Lockport and the Unincorporated Areas of Homer Township:

On Monday, September 12, 2022, the Homer Township Administration took actions that will cause irreparable harm to the Homer Township Open Space Program. All is not lost - Yet. There is still a small window of time for you to help prevent them from selling off 190 acres of Open Space Lands. The sale would leave us with only one 50 acre parcel of Open Space that was purchased with Open Space Funds. They also want to sell a portion of one piece to adjacent land owners and that should not happen either as it sets a precedent. If we can stop this travesty from happening it requires that you, as concerned residents, act now! You must decide what kind of community you want to live in and advocate for it.

## **TAKE ACTION NOW!**

If you oppose the sale of these 3 Open Space Properties, consisting of 180-190 acres of land, or any portion of the Open Space Properties you must tell the Homer Township Supervisor and Trustees who voted to sell our Open Space Lands that you do not want the lands sold. You must do this now before they sell the properties. Their contact information is listed on the back or second page of this flyer, it is also on the website. Tell your friends and neighbors to call these officials as well. Share this information with your Home Owners Associations too.

The Homer Township Trustees and the Supervisor can change their minds and decide not to sell the properties and that is what you need to get them to do, right now! Residents have already stopped the Township from putting a subdivision on the Welter Farm, but now we have to stop them from putting it up for sale. Right now, they have both the Purdy Farm and Paul Farm up for sale! That is 140 acres of land and they will be taking bids for its sale until **October 17th**. They can accept any offer that comes in that they want and they are NOT even going with the highest bidder. They likely have a buyer or buyers lined up already as they only gave potential buyers one month to discover the properties are up for sale and decide to bid on them. This whole rushed and rigged deal stinks! The only two options to stop them now is public pressure or a legal challenge. Let's try public pressure this week. A Go Fund Me page has been setup to launch a legal challenge, please donate to it if you can. We hope they get the message this time because a legal challenge is going to cost us all money as they will use our tax dollars to pay lawyers for Homer Township to help them sell Open Space Lands that belong to the people of Homer Township, Homer Glen and Lockport!

Please attend the **Next Homer Township Board Meeting** on **Monday, October 17, 2022 at 7 p.m.** At the Homer Township Administration Office, 14350 W. 151<sup>st</sup> St. Homer Glen, IL 60491 Member of the public can speak for 3 min. Sign up to speak there before the meeting begins.

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www.homeropenspace.com and click on the tab "STOP THE SALE!"

## **STOP THE SALE!**

Call, leave a message, email and mail a letter to the following elected officials. Tell them you do not want them to sell any of the Open Space Lands.

Steve Balich, Homer Township Supervisor

OFFICE: 708-301-0522 CELL: 815-557-7196

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Mike Bonomo, Homer Township Trustee

OFFICE: 708-301-0522

CELL: prefers email or call to office number

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**Matt Connelly, Homer Township Trustee** 

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Mark Gawron, Homer Township Trustee

OFFICE: 708-301-0522 CELL: 815-953-2836

EMAIL: mgawron1@comcast.net

Rob Rivera, Homer Township Trustee

OFFICE: 708-301-0522 CELL: not provided

EMAIL: httrustee.rivera@gmail.com



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