



**MINUTES OF THE MARCH 12, 2019  
TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
Township of New Trier  
County of Cook  
State of Illinois**

**PRESENT:**

Alan Goldberg, Supervisor  
Jerome Hoynes, Clerk  
Kevin Boyd, Trustee  
Gail Schnitzer Eisenberg, Trustee  
Elliott Robbins, Trustee  
John T. Thomas, Trustee  
Jan Churchwell, Assessor  
Diane Tye, Director of Administration and Finance  
Sandy Forrester, Deputy Clerk

**CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL:**

Following a roll call of attendees, Clerk Hoynes announced that a quorum for conducting official business had been established. Supervisor Goldberg called the Meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. and then led the reciting of the *Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America*.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 18, 2019 TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES:**

Trustee Thomas moved and Trustee Boyd seconded approval of the February 18, 2019 Township Board Minutes as presented; motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:**

Supervisor Goldberg announced the following notices and recommendations:

- Upcoming events include the Trustee's Division of the Townships Officials of Cook County meeting and the Townships Officials of Illinois Topics Day.
- Trustee Liaison roles will change after the 2019 Annual Town Meeting.
- Re-establishing a *Disabilities Committee* is a goal for the Township Advisory Committee structure.
- Discussion of whether to review or change the Township's Strategic Plan will continue to be a Board Meeting Agenda item. The current *Strategic Plan* will be delivered to Trustees before the next meeting.

- Supervisor Goldberg reported that Community Service Administrator Leverenz had suggested that the *Peer Jury Scholarship Award* be split between three high school students whose essays were equally exceptional.

#### **CLERK'S REPORT:**

Clerk Hoynes presented a detailed report of the proposed Agenda for the April 9, 2019 *Annual Town Meeting* in the Township Hall. At 6:30 p.m., a reception and Open House will begin followed by the business meeting in the 2nd floor Board room starting at 7:30 p.m. He noted appreciation of Communications Director Jack Macholl's assistance with the preparations for the Annual Town Meeting.

Trustee Thomas moved and Trustee Robbins seconded approve the proposed 2019 Annual Town Meeting Agenda with a directive to amend the *Rules and Procedures* section to include a 3-minute time limit for *Public Comments & Questions*; motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

#### **ASSESSOR'S REPORT:**

Assessor Churchwell presented a detailed written report noting recent efforts of the Assessor's office that included:

- A meeting with the Cook County Assessor's office regarding that office's new website.
- A well-attended meeting with local real estate agents of the @Properties Company to deliver information about the assessment and appeal processes, noting the importance that they know this information to share with our residents.

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Director Tye stated her current work on the new Fiscal Year Budget will delay the next Financial Report until the Board's next meeting.

#### **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:**

Following Board discussion of past memberships in the township's Chambers of Commerce, Trustee Robbins moved and Trustee Boyd seconded rejoining the township's three Chambers of Commerce for one year and then reassessing continued membership. The motion passed on a roll call vote:

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain

### **TRUSTEE LIAISON REPORTS:**

Trustee Boyd reported the Mental Health Committee (MHC) met the previous week:

- ❖ Visits of committee members to non-profits will continue.
- ❖ Cancer Wellness Center had an all-time high for new intakes.
- ❖ Youth Services has an upcoming fundraiser.
- ❖ Family Services of Glencoe has had some interesting workshops.

Trustee Robbins reported the Money Follows the Person (MFP) Committee met February 28, 2019:

- ❖ The Committee is losing two members who had each served for six years. They will be honored at the Annual Town Meeting
- ❖ Suggested renaming the Township Advisory Committees with names that better reflect their functions.

Trustee Eisenberg reported the Agency Oversight Committee (AOC) met February 27, 2019:

- ❖ Reviewed funding letters.
- ❖ Meals at Home changed food service providers.
- ❖ The new name for SASI is now Argentium Care.

Trustee Thomas and the Special Projects Committee (SPC) had no report.

### **CONSENT AGENDA: STAFF REPORTS**

Community Services Administrator – Brian Leverenz

Communications Director – Jack Macholl

Social Services Administrator – Jeanne Rosser

Trustee Thomas moved and Trustee Robbins seconded approval of the Consent Agenda; motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Trustee Robbins suggested simplifying and clarifying the Township Advisory Committees by renaming them as follows: Mental Health, Disabilities, and Seniors and Youth. Supervisor Goldberg stated this will be an Agenda item for the next Board meeting.

**APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:**

Trustee Thomas moved and Trustee Boyd seconded approval of the New Trier Township Payroll checks for the period February 1, 2019 through February 28, 2019, numbered 7342 through 7362, for a total disbursement of \$24,696.28; motion passed on a roll call vote:

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain

Trustee Thomas moved and Trustee Robbins seconded approval of the New Trier Town Fund checks for the period February 20, 2019 through March 12, 2019, numbered 24039 through 24095, for a total disbursement of \$505,876.86; motion passed on a roll call vote:

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain

**APRIL MEETING DATE:**

The next Township Board meeting was scheduled for April 23, 2019.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

Trustee Thomas moved and Trustee Robbins seconded adjournment; Supervisor adjourned the meeting at 8:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jerome Hoynes, Township Clerk