



## MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 20, 2019

### TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

Township of New Trier

County of Cook

State of Illinois

#### **PRESENT:**

Alan Goldberg, Supervisor

Jerome Hoynes, Clerk

Gail Schnitzer Eisenberg, Trustee

Stefan Mozer, 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 7:33 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 JULY 2, 2019 TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES:**

Trustee Robbins moved and Trustee Thomas seconded approval of the July 2, 2019 Township Board Meeting Minutes; motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

#### **SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:**

Supervisor Goldberg commended the recent efforts of Township Communications Director Jack Macholl for a successful *Bernie's Book Bank Drive* as well as hosting and producing a *New Trier Township Podcast* with Congresswoman Jan Schakowsky (IL-9<sup>th</sup>).

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

Clerk Hoynes reported to the Board that the Township will no longer be distributing Cook County vehicle stickers and license plate tags because they now require all county residents

living in unincorporated areas to pay the wheel tax fees on-line that will be linked to their license plates thereby eliminating the need to display of physical stickers.

On a special personal note, Clerk Hoynes shared with the Board the good news that he was officially married earlier in August.

**ASSESSOR'S REPORT:**

A printed report detailing 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter statistics and office activities was distributed for Trustees to review. Assessor Churchwell also provided an update on the time extension for tax appeals, statistics listed in her report as well as the latest details about the Rickett's property tax case.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Director Tye reviewed a detailed *Financial Report* which showed year-to-date activity representing five months of the year. She noted revenues and expenditures in both the Town Fund and the General Assistance Fund providing an overview of township accounts in general. The Board also reviewed the financial institutions that the Township currently has its money deposited, determining that the topic of bank accounts will be discussed during the next budget cycle.

**NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

After reviewing three new applications to serve on our Township Advisory Committees, Trustee Mozer moved and Trustee Robbins seconded approval of the three new members; motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**TRUSTEE LIAISON REPORTS:**

Supervisor Goldberg offered the following new Trustee Liaison assignments:

- Trustee Thomas will serve as Liaison for the Mental Health Committee.
- Trustee Robbins will serve as Liaison for the Agency Oversight Committee.
- Trustee Mozer will serve as the Liaison for the Money Follows the Person (MFP).
- Trustee Eisenberg will lead the Special Projects Committee.

**CONSENT AGENDA: STAFF REPORTS**

- A. Community Services Administrator Brian Leverenz
- B. Communications Director Jack Macholl
- C. Social Services Administrator Jeanne Rosser

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

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Trustee Eisenberg put forth a proposal for a North Suburban Legal Aid program that will be included on the September Board meeting agenda; trustees had a lively discussion about the Township's potential involvement and/or endorsement of this program.

Trustee Eisenberg also mentioned recent health related services activities offered by Niles Township. Additionally, Trustee Eisenberg suggested that the township investigate the possibility of holding several local author's events about topics related to human services and issues.

**SEPTEMBER 2019 MEETING:**

The Township Board's next meeting was set for 7:30 p.m. on September 17, 2019.

**APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:**

Trustee Thomas moved and Trustee Robbins seconded approval of the New Trier Town Fund checks for the period July 3, 2019 through August 20, 2019, numbered 24581 through 24639 (noting voided check #24200), for a total disbursement of \$63,401.00; motion passed on a roll call vote:

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain

Trustee Thomas moved and Trustee Mozer seconded approval of the New Trier Township Payroll checks for the period July 1, 2019 through July 31, 2019, numbered 7437 through 7453, for a total disbursement of \$24,090.42; motion passed on a roll call vote:

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

Trustee Eisenberg moved and Trustee Robbins seconded adjournment; motion passed by unanimous voice vote. Supervisor Goldberg adjourned the meeting at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jerome Hoynes, Township Clerk