

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF THE CITY
OF BLOOMINGTON TOWNSHIP
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2020; 5:45 P.M.

This meeting was conducted under Governor Pritzker's Executive Order 2020 – 07, Section 6 implemented in response to COVID – 19, which suspended in-person attendance under the Open Meeting Act, 5 ILCS 120.

The Board of Trustees for the Town of the City of Bloomington convened in regular session virtually via Zoom conferencing with the Township Clerk, Leslie Yocum, in person in City Hall's Council Chambers at 5:45 p.m., Monday, November 23, 2020. The meeting was called to order by Trustee Renner.

Trustee Renner directed the Township Clerk to call the roll and the following members of the Board answered present:

Trustees present remotely: Jamie Mathy, Donna Boelen, Mboka Mwilambwe, Julie Emig, Joni Painter, Mollie Ward, Jeff Crabill, Kim Bray and Tari Renner

Trustees absent: Jennifer Carrillo

Elected officials present remotely: Deborah L. Skillrud, Supervisor, and Steve Scudder, Assessor.

Staff present in person: Leslie Yocum, Township Clerk.

Action and Approval of Minutes of the October 26, 2020 Board Meeting, as presented.

Trustee Ward was not a Trustee at the October 26, 2020 meeting.

Motion by Trustee Boelen, seconded by Trustee Painter, that the Minutes be approved as presented.

Trustee Renner directed the Township Clerk to call the roll which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Trustees Mathy, Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Ward, Crabill, Bray and Renner.

Nays: none.

Motion carried.

Action and Approval of the Monthly General Town Fund, General Assistance Fund and Evergreen Memorial Cemetery Audits of October 2020 accounts as presented.

Motion by Trustee Boelen, seconded by Trustee Painter, that the Monthly General Town Fund, General Assistance Fund and Evergreen Memorial Cemetery Audits of October 2020 be approved as presented.

Trustee Renner directed the Township Clerk to call the roll which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Trustees Mathy, Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Ward, Crabill, Bray and Renner.

Nays: none.

Motion carried.

Approval of the General Town Fund, Anticipated Expenditures as presented and certified.

Motion by Trustee Boelen, seconded by Trustee Painter, that the General Town Fund's Anticipated Expenditures be approved as presented.

Trustee Renner directed the Township Clerk to call the roll which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Trustees Mathy, Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Ward, Crabill, Bray and Renner.

Nays: none.

Motion carried.

Discussion and Acceptance of the 2021 Annual Meeting List for the City of Bloomington Township and Evergreen Memorial Cemetery.

Motion by Trustee Boelen, seconded by Trustee Painter, that the 2021 Annual Meeting List for the City of Bloomington Township and Evergreen memorial Cemetery be accepted as presented.

Trustee Mathy noted the 2021 meeting start times for the Township had been changed from 5:45 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Deborah Skillrud, Supervisor, addressed the Board. She added the December 2021 Township meeting was listed as December 13th or 20th. The Township meeting would coincide with a City Council meeting, which had not been announced.

Trustee Renner directed the Township Clerk to call the roll which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Trustees Mathy, Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Ward, Crabill, Bray and Renner.

Nays: none.

Motion carried.

Approval of the Tax Levy Ordinance for Tax Year 2021 to be used in Fiscal Year 2022 (April 1, 2021 – March 30, 2022) as presented.

Motion by Trustee Boelen, seconded by Trustee Crabill, that the 2020 Tax Levy be approved, and the Ordinance passed as presented.

Trustee Renner directed the Township Clerk to call the roll which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Trustees Mathy, Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Ward, Crabill, Bray and Renner.

Nays: none.

Motion carried.

Mrs. Skillrud gave a COVID-19 update, noting case numbers remained low. She informed the Board that eviction notices have included inflated fees due to a tenant's inability to pay the bill. She was considering extending the Community Emergency Response Program (CERP) deadline from December 31, 2020 to March 31, 2021. Mid-Central Community Action (MCCA) had depleted their COVID-19 assistance funds. Open cases were referred to the City of Bloomington for assistance. She presented information regarding additional aid resources and programs.

Trustee Boelen requested details regarding fees charged to renters. Mrs. Skillrud stated the fees were associated with the tenant's inability to make the monthly rent payment. Landlords were charging \$5/day the rent remained unpaid. She cited one case where a landlord charged a tenant a per day fee which was not cited in the lease. Extreme cases are referred to Prairie State Legal Services.

Steve Scudder, Assessor, addressed the Board. His office had received a reduced number of property assessment appeals this year.

Trustee Renner opened the meeting to receive Public Comment. Mrs. Yocum stated that Anthony Overton was present and registered for public comment. Mr. Overton comments were for the City of Bloomington and would be shared with the City Council. Janae Clarke had registered but was not present at the meeting.

Motion by Trustee Boelen, seconded by Trustee Mwilambwe, that the meeting be adjourned.

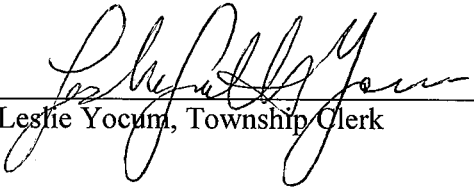
Trustee Renner directed the Township Clerk to call the roll which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Trustees Mathy, Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Ward, Crabill, Bray and Renner.

Nays: none.

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.



Leslie Yocum, Township Clerk