

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF THE CITY  
OF BLOOMINGTON TOWNSHIP  
MONDAY, JUNE 28, 2021; 5:30 P.M.

*This meeting was conducted under Governor Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-07 §6, which was reissued and extended by Executive Order 2021-14. The Order, implemented in response to COVID-19, 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 5:30 p.m., Monday, June 28, 2021. The meeting was called to order by Trustee Mwilambwe.

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

Trustees present remotely: Jamie Mathy, Donna Boelen, Sheila Montney, Julie Emig, Nick Becker, Jennifer Carrillo, Mollie Ward, Jeff Crabill, Tom Crumpler, and Mboka Mwilambwe.

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 May 24, 2021 Board Meeting, as presented.

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

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

Ayes: Trustees Mathy, Boelen, Montney, Emig, Becker, Carrillo, Ward, Crabill, Crumpler, and Mwilambwe.

Nays: none.

Motion carried.

Action and Approval of the Monthly General Town Fund, General Assistance Fund and Evergreen Memorial Cemetery Audits of May 2021 accounts as presented.

Motion by Trustee Boelen, seconded by Trustee Ward, that the Monthly General Town Fund, General Assistance Fund and Evergreen Memorial Cemetery Audits of May 2021 be approved as presented.

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

Ayes: Trustees Mathy, Boelen, Montney, Emig, Becker, Carrillo, Ward, Crabill, Crumpler, and Mwilambwe.

Nays: none.

Motion carried.

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

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

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

Ayes: Trustees Mathy, Boelen, Montney, Emig, Becker, Carrillo, Ward, Crabill, Crumpler, and Mwilambwe.

Nays: none.

Motion carried.

Approval of the Draft Budget Amendment for the Town Fund for Fiscal Year ("FY") 2023 and that the draft be placed on file for a thirty (30) day review period.

Motion by Trustee Boelen, seconded by Trustee Ward, that the Draft Budget Amendment for the Town Fund for Fiscal Year ("FY") 2023 be approved and that the draft be placed on file for a thirty (30) day review period as presented.

There was no discussion by the Board.

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

Ayes: Trustees Mathy, Boelen, Montney, Emig, Becker, Carrillo, Ward, Crabill, Crumpler, and Mwilambwe.

Nays: none.

Motion carried.

Discussion and approval to reschedule the July 26, 2021 Township Board Meeting to August 2, 2021.

Deborah Skillrud, Supervisor, addressed the Board and Township staff recommended the date change in order to meet the required 30-day review period for the draft budget amendment (approved previous item).

Trustee Mwilambwe informed the Board that they would meet on a normally free Monday if the August 2, 2021 date was approved. Mrs. Skillrud affirmed Trustee Mwilambwe's statement. The City Council would not meet for Committee of the Whole on the proposed date.

Leslie Yocum, Township Clerk, suggested the meeting be scheduled for August 9, 2021 if it worked with the timeline. Mrs. Skillrud stated to keep the project on schedule, the August 2, 2021 meeting date was preferred.

Motion by Trustee Boelen, seconded by Trustee Crabill, that the July 26, 2021 Township Board Meeting be rescheduled to August 2, 2021 as recommended.

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

Ayes: Trustees Mathy, Boelen, Montney, Emig, Becker, Carrillo, Ward, Crabill, Crumpler, and Mwilambwe.

Nays: none.

Motion carried.

Discussion and approval of the Project Services Agreement with the Farnsworth Group to Provide Professional Services for Parking Lot Improvements.

There was no discussion by the Board.

Motion by Trustee Boelen, seconded by Trustee Crumpler, that the Project Services Agreement with the Farnsworth Group be approved, and the Supervisor be authorized to execute the necessary documents.

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

Ayes: Trustees Mathy, Boelen, Montney, Emig, Becker, Carrillo, Ward, Crabill, Crumpler, and Mwilambwe.

Nays: none.

Motion carried.

Mrs. Skillrud addressed the Board. The Township building was not damaged by the recent storm. The street in front of the building was flooded. Township staff working with the Farnsworth Group may need to request variances for the parking lot improvements project. General Assistance (GA) applications remained low as a result of continued federal and state pandemic aid. The Township is prepared for an anticipated increase in aid request through the Community Emergency Response Program (CERP) to potentially cover utility bills.

Steve Scudder, Assessor, addressed the Board. The Property Tax Rate Chart for the City was provided in the Board's meeting packet. An explanation of how property tax bills were calculated was presented. He welcomed questions from the Board.

Trustee Crabill confirmed the City's property tax rate. He affirmed the chart compared the City's rate to other municipalities in McLean County. Mr. Scutter responded affirmatively.

Trustee Mwilambwe opened the meeting to receive Public Comment. Leslie Yocum, Township Clerk, stated no one had registered to speak live or had submitted emailed public comment.

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

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

Ayes: Trustees Mathy, Boelen, Montney, Emig, Becker, Carrillo, Ward, Crabill, Crumpler, and Mwilambwe.

Nays: none.

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.



Amanda Mohan, Deputy Township Clerk