



MINUTES
TOWNSHIP - REGULAR SESSION
MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2025, 5:30 PM

The Board of Trustees for the Town of the City of Bloomington convened in regular session in the Government Center Boardroom at 5:30 PM, Monday, April 28, 2025. The meeting was called to order by Trustee Mwilambwe who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Mboka Mwilambwe	Trustee, Chair	Present
Jenna Kearns	Trustee	Present
Michael Mosley	Trustee	Absent
Sheila Montney	Trustee	Absent
John Danenberger	Trustee	Absent
Nick Becker	Trustee	Present
Cody Hendricks	Trustee	Present, 5:32 P.M.
Mollie Ward	Trustee	Present
Kent Lee	Trustee	Present
Tom Crumpler	Trustee	Present

Elected Officials/Staff Present: Steve Scudder, Township Assessor; and Leslie Smith-Yocum, Township Clerk.

Elected Officials/Staff Absent: Deborah L. Skillrud, Township Supervisor

Public Comment

No in-person or emailed public comment was received.

Trustee Hendrix arrived at 5:32 P.M.

Consent Agenda

Items listed on the Consent Agenda are approved with one motion; Items pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion are listed and voted on separately.

Trustee Ward made a motion, seconded by Trustee Crumpler, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Item 5.A. Consideration and Action to Approve the Minutes of the March 24, 2025, Regular Session of the City of Bloomington Township Board Meeting, as requested by the Township Clerk. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Minutes be approved.)

Item 5.B. Consideration and Action to Certify the March 2025 Statement of Funds for the General Town Administration Fund, General Assistance Fund, and Cemetery Fund, as

requested by the Township Supervisor. (Recommended Motion: The March 2025 Statement of Funds be certified.)

Item 5.C. Consideration and Action to Approve the April 28, 2025 General Town Fund Request for Payment, as requested by the Township Supervisor. (Recommended Motion: The April 28, 2025 Request for Payment be approved.)

Trustee Mwilambwe directed the clerk to call roll:

AYES: Kearns; Becker; Hendricks; Ward; Lee; Crumpler; Mwilambwe

Motion carried.

Regular Agenda

The following item was presented:

Item 6.A. Presentation and Consideration and Action to Pass Resolution No. 2025-01 to Oppose Township Consolidation into County Government, as requested by the Township Supervisor.

David Stanczak, Former Annual Town Meeting Moderator and Township Advocate, explained that the resolution was originally proposed by Township Officials of Illinois, noting that Illinois leads the nation in the number of local government units. He argued that while consolidation could be beneficial for efficiency, mandating consolidation without local voter approval is undesirable. Mr. Stanczek encouraged the Board's positive vote on the resolution, emphasizing the importance of local residents' wishes in government consolidation.

Trustee Hendricks confirmed the specific legislation that proposed consolidation as Senate Bills 2504 and 2217, and House Bill 2515 with Mr. Stanczek. They then discussed how the they were unfunded mandates.

Trustee Hendricks made a motion, seconded by Trustee Ward, to approve the Resolution.

Trustee Mwilambwe directed the clerk to call roll:

AYES: Kearns; Hendricks; Ward; Lee; Crumpler; Mwilambwe

NAYES: Becker

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025 – 01

A RESOLUTION TO OPPOSE TOWNSHIP CONSOLIDATION INTO COUNTY GOVERNMENT

The following item was presented:

Item 6.B. Pass the Ordinance Authorizing the Reimplementation of a Housing Eviction Relief Efforts (HERE) Program for Eligible Residents of City of Bloomington Township for the new Fiscal Year 2026 that was Approved in the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget, as requested by the City of Bloomington Township.

Trustee Hendricks made a motion, seconded by Trustee Kearns, to approve the Ordinance authorizing the reimplementation of the HERE Program for Fiscal Year 2026.

Council Member Kearns expressed appreciation for housing assistance programs, noting the challenges of high rents and the potential for increased housing costs, particularly for those

on fixed incomes. She was glad the City continued to provide opportunities for residents to maintain housing during economic changes.

Trustee Mwilambwe directed the clerk to call roll:

AYES: Kearns; Becker; Hendricks; Ward; Lee; Crumpler; Mwilambwe

Motion carried.

The following item was presented:

Item 6.C. Copy of the 2025 Annual Town Meeting Presentation, as requested by the City of Bloomington Township.

No presentation. The report was provided for communication purposes only.

The following item was presented:

Item 6.D. Copy of the Annual Statement of Receipts & Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2025 (Unaudited), as requested by the City of Bloomington Township. No presentation. The report was provided for communication purposes only.

Reports by Elected Officials

The following item was presented:

Item 7.A. Presentation and Discussion of the Township Supervisor's Report, as requested by the City of Bloomington Township.

No comments or discussion were had on the submitted report.

Item 7.B. Presentation and Discussion of the Township Assessor's Report, as requested by the City of Bloomington Township.

Assessor Scudder reported that tax rates had been set and letters would be mailed this week, and that his report primarily included the consolidated Annual Town Meeting presentation with some additional information.

Adjournment

Trustee Hendricks made a motion, seconded by Trustee Crumpler, to adjourn the meeting.

Trustee Mwilambwe directed the clerk to call roll:

AYES: Kearns; Becker; Hendricks; Ward; Lee; Crumpler; Mwilambwe

Motion carried (viva voce).

The Meeting Adjourned at 5:42 PM.

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON

Dan Brady

Board Chair Dan Brady

Amanda Stutsman

Amanda Stutsman, Deputy Township Clerk

