

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF THE CITY
OF BLOOMINGTON TOWNSHIP
MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2020; 5:45 P.M.

The Board of Trustees for the Town of the City of Bloomington met in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building at 5:45 p.m. on January 27, 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: Donna Boelen, Mboka Mwilambwe, Julie Emig, Joni Painter, Jennifer Carrillo, Scott Black, Jeff Crabill, and Tari Renner.

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

Staff present: Amanda Mohan, Deputy Township Clerk.

Trustee Emig made a motion, seconded by Trustee Carrillo to allow Trustee Kim Bray to participate remotely due to family emergency.

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

Ayes: Trustees Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Carrillo, Black, Crabill, and Renner.

Nays: none.

Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of the December 16, 2019 Board Meeting, as submitted by Amanda Mohan, Deputy Township Clerk.

Motion carried, (viva voce).

Action and Approval of the Monthly General Town Fund, General Assistance Fund and Evergreen Memorial Cemetery Audits of December 2019 accounts as presented.

Motion by Trustee Crabill, seconded by Trustee Painter that the Audits be approved as presented.

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

Ayes: Trustees Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Carrillo, Black, Crabill, Bray, and Renner.

Nays: none.

Motion carried.

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

Motion by Trustee Crabill, seconded by Trustee Painter that the Anticipated Expenditures be approved as presented.

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

Ayes: Trustees Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Carrillo, Black, Crabill, Bray, and Renner.

Nays: none.

Motion carried.

Draft Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Budget Ordinance.

Trustee Crabill questioned the General Assistance, (GA), Fund's continuous reduction.

Deborah Skillrud, Supervisor, addressed the Board. This fund should not experience a significant decrease in the future. The implementation of the Affordable Care Act in 2015 meant the Township no longer offered assistance with medical and hospitalization. There was a possibility of an increase the next fiscal year based on re-evaluation of the guidelines for Emergency Assistance, (EA), to align with current income for the area. A portion of the Community Health Needs Assessment studied access to appropriate care and cited appropriate access to transportation should also be addressed.

Motion by Trustee Crabill, seconded by Trustee Emig that the draft FY 2021 Budget Ordinance be accepted and placed on file for thirty (30) day review period.

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

Ayes: Trustees Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Carrillo, Black, Crabill, Bray, and Renner.

Nays: none.

Motion carried.

Line Item Appropriation Transfers for Evergreen Memorial Cemetery.

Motion by Trustee Black, seconded by Trustee Carrillo that the Transfer of Appropriations be approved, and the Ordinance passed.

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

Ayes: Trustees Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Carrillo, Black, Crabill, Bray, and Renner.

Nays: none.

Motion carried.

Mrs. Skillrud, Township Supervisor, addressed the Board. The collaboration between the Township and the Bloomington Public Library offering a series of Wellness Lifestyle classes for GA recipients and the public was cited. A grant was written in collaboration with the Public Library and twenty (20) Fitbits were awarded. A six to eight, (6 – 8), week program would start in February as a part of low budget heart health awareness. Data gathered would be sent to the National Network of the Library of Medicine.

Trustee Black questioned Mrs. Skillrud as to available resources during extreme climate events, (i.e. available temporary shelters). He also questioned how other Townships prepared for such events.

Mrs. Skillrud stated the Township does not currently provide temporary shelter. The Township Building was not open twenty-four, (24), hours a day. When it was open, the entry way acts as a temporary temperature controlled space while waiting for the bus. The Township does receive a list of shelters from the City of Bloomington and McLean County, during extreme climate events. This information was provided to clients and the general public.

Trustee Mathy arrived at 5:52 p.m.

Steve Scudder, Assessor, addressed the Board. He presented and reviewed the numbers from the Board of Review. He stated that the Township is actively seeking a Residential Appraiser.

Trustee Mwilambwe inquired whether the position would be posted. Mr. Scudder responded the information was available and had been posted on multiple websites.

Trustee Renner opened the meeting to receive Public Comment. No one came forward to address the Board.

Motion by Trustee Carrillo, seconded by Trustee Boelen to adjourn. Time: 5:57 p.m.

Motion carried (viva voce).


Amanda Mohan, Deputy Township Clerk