

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE RICH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**August 6, 2018**  
Leonard Robinson Family Center  
22013 Governors Highway, Richton Park, Illinois

**Call to Order:** Supervisor Al Riley called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:** Present: Supervisor Al Riley; Trustees Nick Bobis, Therese Goodrich, Elliott Johnson and Jackie Small (a quorum)

**Officials Present:** Assessor Sam Brown; Clerk Bobbie King; Highway Commissioner Calvin Jordan

**Others Present:** Mark Mason, Interim Township Administrator; Frank Garrett, Attorney; Alana Thompson, Finance Director; Debbie Pascarella, Deputy Clerk; Laura Simmons, Road District Administrative Assistant; Everett James, Unincorporated Matteson;

**Approval of Bills:** Upon a motion made by Trustee Goodrich, seconded by Trustee Bobis, and passed by a vote of four ayes (Supervisor Riley, Trustees Bobis, Goodrich and Johnson) and one abstain (Trustee Small), the Board approved Town Fund checks #34951--35109 in the amount of \$340,004.54; General Assistance Fund checks #26587--26717 in the amount of \$47,413.52; Road District Fund checks #7063--7099 in the amount of 47,382.50; Donations Fund checks #1711--1712 in the amount of 955.89; for the period of 6/27/18 thru 7/31/18.

**Approval Of Minutes:** Upon a motion made by Trustee Bobis, seconded by Trustee Goodrich, and unanimously passed by voice vote, the Board approved the minutes of the July 2, 2018 Board of Trustees meeting as amended.

### **PUBLIC PETITIONS**

Everett James of Unincorporated Matteson noted that there are sections of asphalt that need patching on the east side of Keeler Avenue between 205<sup>th</sup> and 206<sup>th</sup> Streets.

## REPORTS OF OFFICERS

**Supervisor:** Supervisor Al Riley attended Orland Park's Fourth of July celebration, the Illinois Legislative Black Caucus Foundation's Scholarship event, the South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association's (SSMMA) 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Outing and Dinner, the Taste of Korea Festival, the Hazel Nut Parade and Festival, and cut the ribbon of the new Pace natural gas depot.

**Clerk:** No report

**Assessor:** Assessor Sam Brown noted that along with his staff, he attended the Board of Review Tax Seminar in Matteson where he answered questions on exemptions. He reported that his office has had many taxpayers questioning the zero dollar tax bills that they received. Assessor Brown explained that this happened when their exemptions outweighed their 2<sup>nd</sup> installment tax amount due.

**Highway Commissioner:** Highway Commissioner Calvin Jordan reported that his staff has replaced 15 culverts, adding that they used rubber culverts as opposed to aluminum. He attended the Operation PUSH Convention, the Fourth of July fireworks in Chicago Heights and the Matteson Concert Series musical event. Highway Commissioner Jordan noted the upcoming back to school parade in Matteson on August 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Trustee Goodrich:** Attended the Fourth of July parade in Park Forest, and the League of Women Voters opening meeting welcoming new members. Trustee Therese Goodrich noted her appreciation of the township's support of the Gavin Foundation, and announced that the Park Forest Art Fair will be held September 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. She requested that the feasibility of a Board of Trustees retreat with an outside facilitator be added under "New Business" on the September agenda.

**Trustee Johnson:** Attended the Gavin Foundation and Luster Foundation golf outings. He announced a TOCC and MTA Educational Symposium on September 8<sup>th</sup> at Hanover Township. He noted the decline in his mother-in-law's health.

**Trustee Bobis:** Will be attending the TOI Educational Conference, the TOCC/MTA Symposium and the TOCC Trustee Board meeting.

**Trustee Small:** Attended the VFW Post 311 Scholarship Fund Commander's Ball. Trustee Jackie Small noted that she appreciates Supervisor Riley's comments regarding trustees educating residents, and being able to answer their questions, adding that is especially why trustees need to be aware of all that's going on.

**Attorney:** No report

**OLD BUSINESS**

Supervisor Riley noted the passing of Senior Companion Program Director Commodore Edmond.

**Update on Management Study:** Supervisor Riley distributed and explained the Management Review Update (see attached). Trustee Jackie Small requested a copy of the organizational chart for the trustees, and suggested the possibility of meeting twice a month to improve the oversight of payment of bills.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Motion to Approve the Establishment of the *Tim Bradford Community Service Award:*** Upon a motion made by Trustee Small, seconded by Trustee Johnson, and unanimously approved by voice vote, the Board approved establishing the Tim Bradford Community Service Award.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Upon a motion made by Trustee Goodrich, seconded by Trustee Johnson, and unanimously approved by voice vote, the Board Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

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Supervisor

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Clerk

Approval by the Board of Trustees

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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