

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE RICH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
May 4, 2020

*Remote meeting held via video/teleconference (as permitted by Governor Pritzker's
Executive Order 2020-07)*

Call to Order: Supervisor Al Riley called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present: Supervisor Al Riley; Trustees Nick Bobis, Jackie Small (a quorum)

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

Others Present: Frank Garrett, Attorney; Mark Mason, Interim Township Administrator/General Assistance Director; Alana Thompson, Finance Director; Debbie Pascarella, Deputy Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING

Supervisor Al Riley announced that this Public Hearing was being held to present Rich Township's 2020-2021 Town Fund and Road & Bridge Budgets and Appropriations. Supervisor Riley answered questions regarding the proposed Budget and Appropriations Ordinances 20-07 and 20-08; he then closed the hearing, and reconvened the Board Meeting.

Approval of Bills: Upon a motion made by Trustee Small, seconded by Trustee Bobis, and unanimously passed by roll call vote, the Board approved Town Fund checks #37678--37732 in the amount of \$214,088.17; General Assistance Fund checks #29350--29396 in the amount of \$30,135.75; Road District Fund checks #7760--7775 in the amount of \$27,839.18; Donations Fund check #1747 in the amount of \$99.97 for the period of 04/02/20 thru 04/30/20.

Approval of Minutes: Upon a motion made by Trustee Bobis, seconded by Trustee Small, and unanimously passed by voice vote, the Board approved the minutes of the April 6, 2020 Board of Trustees meeting as presented.

PUBLIC PETITIONS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance 20-07 Approving Town, Social Security, Insurance, IMRF, GA Funds 2020-2021 Budget & Appropriations: Upon a motion made by Trustee Bobis, seconded by Trustee Small, and unanimously passed by roll call vote, the Board approved Ordinance 20-07.

Ordinance 20-08 Approving Road & Bridge Fund 2020-2021 Budget and Appropriations: Upon a motion made by Trustee Small, seconded by Trustee Bobis, and unanimously passed by roll call vote, the Board approved Ordinance 20-08.

Resolution 20-05 Approving a Resolution Providing for Hazardous Duty Pay for Employees Required to Work In-Person During Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations Related to Covid-19: No motion was made. Trustee Bobis and Trustee Small asked that Resolution 20-05 be tabled, and requested more specific information regarding the resolution. Supervisor Riley noted that this would be revisited at the June board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Supervisor: Supervisor Al Riley noted that the scheduled mandatory Harassment Training that was postponed due to Covid-19 would be rescheduled as a virtual training. He noted that the audit and the CAFR would be beginning soon. Supervisor Riley updated the board on the new generator and the proposed storage building.

Clerk: Clerk Bobbie King reported that her office has been in communication with all of the high schools in Rich Township regarding the "Tim Bradford Memorial Scholarship", adding that she is waiting on recipient names and addresses.

Assessor: Assessor Sam Brown reported that his staff has been in the office 2-3 days a week while the township office is closed to the public. He added that his staff has kept busy fielding and returning phone calls and emails. Assessor Brown noted that his office has developed job descriptions, and built up an email database.

Highway Commissioner: Highway Commissioner Calvin Jordan reported that his staff has been working every day, cutting grass and working on culverts.

Trustee Goodrich: Absent

Trustee Johnson: Absent

Trustee Bobis: Advised that the TOCC Spring Conference had been rescheduled to September, and noted the proposed virtual TOCC “Cook County Township Day” event.

Trustee Small: Noted that she preferred “Zoom” video conferencing as the platform for meetings.

Attorney: Attorney Frank Garrett reported that the Harassment Training was mandatory for the staff and the board by the end of this year, and then must be completed each year thereafter.

ADJOURNMENT: Upon a motion made by Trustee Small, seconded by Trustee Bobis, and unanimously approved by voice vote, the Board Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Supervisor

Clerk

Approval by the Board of Trustees

Date: _____

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