OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE RICH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES February 5, 2024 Leonard Robinson Administration Building 22013 Governors Hwy., Richton Park, Illinois

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

Roll Call: Present: Supervisor Calvin Jordan; Trustees Jackie Small, Steven Burris, and Nick Bobis (a quorum)

Officials Present: Clerk Sugar Al-Amin, Assessor Sam Brown, Highway Commissioner Dennis White.

Others Present: Priscilla Centeno, Attorney; Trinette Britt, Administration; Alana Thompson, Finance Director; Schunita Carter, Accountant; Dorothy Calhoun, Administration; Paula Farr, Deputy Assessor; Gloria Rosson, Antoine Bass, Rich Township Residents.

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 #42558--42653 in the amount of \$290,945.10; General Assistance Fund checks #31517--31558 in the amount of \$34,576.15; Road District Fund checks #9081--9103 in the amount of \$36,826.51 for the period of 01/04/24 thru 01/31/24.

Approval of Minutes: Upon a motion made by Trustee Bobis, seconded by Trustee Burris, and unanimously approved by roll call vote, the Board approved the Minutes of the January 22, 2024, Board of Trustees meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Upon a motion made by Trustee Small, seconded by Trustee Burris, and unanimously approved by roll call vote, the Board went into closed session regarding compensation under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) at 5:41 p.m.

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Upon a motion made by Trustee Small, seconded by Trustee Bobis, the Board voted unanimously to resume the Board of Trustees Meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Ordinance 2024-01 An Ordinance Setting Compensation for Elected Officials for The Four-Year Terms Commencing May 19, 2025, Established by The Rich Township Board on February 5, 2024: Upon a motion made by Trustee Burris, seconded by Trustee Bobis, moved to adopt the Ordinance.

Trustee Small made a motion to amend Section 2 of Ordinance 2024-01 and Trustee Burris seconded the motion. The motion to amend Section 2 was unanimously approved by roll call vote. Then the Board approved Ordinance 24-01 as amended.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Supervisor: Supervisor Calvin Jordan attended several events such as: Rev. Jackson's Annual Operation PUSH King Day Celebration, a Park Forest event, the Rich Townahip Senior Services Pop-Up, Rich Township's Department Head Meeting, and meetings in Park Forrest and Flossmoor. Supervisor Jordan also expressed how proud he was of Rich Township's Pantry as they did an excellent job serving food. The supervisor also commended Homeland Security for a successful week to help handle security at the Big Dipper Basketball Tournament. Lastly, Supervisor Jordan urged all to attend Rich Township's Black History Month Celebration on February 17th, 2024.

Clerk: Clerk Al-Amin welcomed Deputy Clerk Devon Taylor back in office. Clerk Al-Amin attended a Clerk's Board Meeting and is happy to serve.

Assessor: Assessor Brown announced his past birthday and thanked everyone for the wishes. Assessor Brown reported processing over 200 exemptions, had over 200 office visits, processed over 200 permits, received over 400 calls, and filed over 700 appeals. Assessor Sam Brown along with Deputy Assessor Paula Farr attended the Cook County Township Assessor's Annual Luncheon and an HOA Meeting for Southwick Courtyards.

Highway Commissioner: Highway Commissioner White expressed a lighter winter with very little snow. Commissioner White also expressed a part needed for one of their trucks that is on recall. Commissioner White attended the Park Forest Birthday Event, and a meeting with Matteson and Cook County regarding some future missions.

Trustee Bobis: Trustee Bobis attended the Park Forest Birthday event. Trustee Bobis gave his appreciation for the great work of attorney Priscilla Centeno, and he is glad to serve Rich Township.

Trustee Burris: Trustee Burris attended the Martin L. King event that he enjoyed, and he expressed that Country Club Hills is having a Black Expo on February 24, 2024, at Country Club Hills City Hall. Trustee Burris is glad to be a part of Rich Township.

Trustee Small: Trustee Small attended several events consisting of a Martin L. King event, the Richton Park Town Hall Meeting, and the Park Forrest Birthday event. Trustee Small also expressed being asked to serve on the Board of Directors of the Townships of Illinois. Trustee Small is honored to serve Rich Township.

Attorney: Attorney Priscilla Centeno updated the Board on a Paid Leave Act coming soon. Priscilla also announced her first Rising Star award.

Upon a motion made by Supervisor Jordan, seconded by Trustee Small, and unanimously approved by roll call vote, the Board went into closed session regarding the purchase of real estate for the use of the public body under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) at 6:54 p.m.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Bobis, seconded by Trustee Small, the Board voted unanimously to resume the Board of Trustees Meeting at 7:24 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Upon a motion made by Trustee Small, seconded by Trustee Burris, and unanimously approved by roll call vote, the Board Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Supervisor

Approval by the Board of Trustees

<u>Ulene M. Al-Amin</u> Clerk Date: <u>02/09/24</u>

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