

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE RICH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
July 3, 2023
Leonard Robinson Administration Building
22013 Governors Hwy., Richton Park, Illinois

Call to Order: Supervisor Calvin Jordan called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Officials Present: Clerk Sugar Al-Amin, Assessor Sam Brown

Others Present: Priscilla Centeno, Attorney; Trinette Britt, Township Administrator; Alana Thompson, Finance Director; Devon Taylor, Deputy Clerk; Steve Coffey, Accountant; Dorothy Calhoun, Administrative Assistant.

Approval of Bills: Upon a motion made by Trustee Goodrich, seconded by Trustee Small, unanimously passed by roll call vote, the Board approved Town Fund checks #41702--41827 in the amount of \$296,122.84; General Assistance Fund checks #31178--31207 in the amount of \$15,807.29; Road District Fund checks #8887--8916 in the amount of \$46,713.19 for the period of 5/31/23 thru 06/27/23.

Approval of Minutes: Upon a motion made by Trustee Small, seconded by Trustee Goodrich, and unanimously approved by roll call vote, the Board approved the minutes of the June 5, 2023, Board of Trustees meeting as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 23-15 Reporting The Determination Of The Rich Township Board Regarding The Review Of Closed Session Minutes Pursuant To Section 2.06 Of The Illinois Open Meeting Act (for the period ending July 3, 2023): Upon a motion made by Trustee Goodrich, seconded by Trustee Small, and unanimously approved by roll call vote, the Board approved Resolution 23-15.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Supervisor: Supervisor Calvin Jordan expressed his gratitude for such great employees throughout Rich Township and that the Township had/continues to do great things for our communities. Supervisor felt great to be able to present the Tim Bradford Memorial Scholarships to the four recipients and would like to see in the future, a wall of the past students awarded. Supervisor Jordan attended several events including: the Park Forest Business Breakfast, Richton Park's Scholarship Program, the Juneteenth Walkathon, and the Juneteenth Festival. Supervisor was extremely happy with the turnout of Mega Fest. Supervisor also tipped his hat off to Commissioner Donna Miller.

Clerk: Clerk Al-Amin attended a fundraiser for young women in need of parenting assistance as well as the Cook County BAR Association, Future Gala. Clerk and Deputy Clerk Devon Taylor attended the Township Officials of Cook County Spring Conference which was phenomenal and informative. Clerk also attended the Nascar Chicago event. The Clerk expressed her excitement for the future within the Clerk's Department. Clerk Al-Amin also stated her beautiful granddaughter, McKenzie, turned two on June 22nd.

Assessor: Assessor Sam Brown reported that the Assessor's Office welcomed Jackie Vazquez as their new addition to the Assessor's Department. Assessor Brown also attended several breakfasts/cook outs as well as having a great time at the Mega Fest. Assessor Brown was a keynote speaker at the Property Tax Town Hall Meeting along with Cook County Assessor, Fritz Kaegi. Deputy Assessor of Rich Township, Paula Farr attended the Town Hall Meeting as well along with over 50 Rich Township residents. Assessor Brown also attend the swearing in of Trustee Burris as the new City Treasurer for Country Club Hills. The Assessor's Office received over 500 office visits through the months of April and May while also receiving over 2,000 calls in the months of March, April, and May. Assessor Brown stated that home sales rose in the years 2021 and 2022, anticipating and effect on reassessments. Assessor Brown also expressed that the Disabled Veterans Exemption has not been mailed out yet and that Cook County has extended the deadline for all exemptions to August 18, 2023.

Highway Commissioner: No report.

Trustee Bobis: Trustee Bobis attended the Park Forest Breakfast and was the chair of the Father's Day Luncheon. Trustee Bobis also attended the Township Officials of Cook County Spring Conference.

Trustee Burris: Trustee Burris stated that he learned a lot during the Countryside trip. Trustee Burris attended the Township Officials of Cook County Spring Conference as well as the Nascar Chicago event. Trustee Burris expressed how some relatives loved Rich Township's Newsletter.

Trustee Goodrich: Trustee Goodrich expressed her joy to be able to donate blood as she saved a life. Trustee Goodrich attended the Park Forest Breakfast as well as Park Forest's Recycle Fest. Trustee Goodrich enjoyed Mega Fest as it was a fun and safe environment.

Trustee Small: Trustee Small thanked Administration for the Department Report. She also commended the Senior Services for their great work. Trustee Small attended several events such as: The Township of Illinois Association Trustee Educational Event, Township Officials of Cook County Spring Conference, and Golf outings. Trustee Small also attended a trip to Countryside to view the municipal building, a well worth it trip. She thanked everyone for the support and work of Mega Fest as it was amazing.

Attorney: Attorney explained that a Trustee could sit on the Food Pantry Board.

ADJOURNMENT: Upon a motion made by Trustee Bobis, seconded by Trustee Goodrich, and unanimously approved by roll call vote, the Board Meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Supervisor

Clerk

Approval by the Board of Trustees

Date: _____

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