MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE OAK PARK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2025, CONDUCTED IN-PERSON AND ELECTRONCALY.

I. Call to Order

- 7:02 pm

II. Roll Call

- In person-Manager Evan Michel; Supervisor, Tim Thomas, Trustee Eric Davis, Trustee Margaret Trybus, Trustee Ade Onayemi, Trustee Juan Munoz; Township Attorney John Garfalo; Clerk DaToya Burin-Cox. Also present, Youth Services Director, Traficano and Ast. Director, Hickman; Director Potts, CMHB.

III. Public Comments

N/A

IV. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes: February 25, 2025

B. Approval of Bills

- Trustee Onayemi made a motion to accept the consent agenda with clerical corrections. Trustee Davis seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to approve.

V. Business Items

A. **Adoption of the Oak Park Township strategic plan**

1. Board was provided with final draft of the strategic plan. The plan included additional language regarding sustainability.

2. A motion to accept the plan as written was made by Trustee Eric Davis. The motion was seconded by Trustee Trybus And the board unanimously approved.

B. **Approval of the youth and Family Services contracted programs**

1. Director Traficano made presentation of programs that requested funding.

2. For fiscal year 2026 contract programs recommended by the committee

3. Beat Root

a) $10,000 requested

b) intergenerational program

c) flower beds will be ADA compliant

4. Wonder works

a) $5000 requested

b) intergenerational program in the art space

c) There was a question brought up by the board regarding the intentionality of the art projects and whether they will be beneficial to both these seniors and the youth**.**

C. There were 5 requests for funding of joint programs

1. Concordia stem program

a) request it $5000

D. Oak Park program request

1. intramural sports at high school
   a) Requested $11,000
2. chess Academy
   a) program will be located at the Oak Park library
   b) requested $12,000
3. Oak Park park district
   a) requested $10,000 for scholarships
4. styles for kids
   a) requested $14,00
5. KUMBA
   a) Requested funding for scholarship in the amount of 15,000
6. Oak Park library
   a) Requested $13,600 for mentoring program
7. D97
   a) Program located at Irving Elementary school
   b) program provides academic assistance
   c) requested $8300
   d) Continuous student participation over the years

E. **Approval of annual meeting agenda**
1. Motion was made by Trustee Davis. Motion was seconded by Trustee Trybus and the board voted unanimously to approve.

F. **Adoption of a resolution opposing Township consolidation**
1. Matter was tabled.
2. Township Supervisor provided board with the digital copy of the resolution to make suggestions or comments on the resolution.

VI. Discussion Items

A. Girls on the Rise
1. Assistant director Hickman made presentation
2. Outline the numbers and the successes of the program
   a) continuous increase in student participation over the years
3. Provided goals for future of the program
4. Provided future needs for the program
   a) The need to increase facilitator position to meet the needs of the students

VII. Brief Reports

A. Township Manager
1. Cook County SEI is due May 1, 2025
2. There is an audit being done in the senior service division regarding Protective Services
3. Oak Park Chamber application for internship program has been completed and submitted
4. April 2, 2025, the Township will make a presentation to the Rotary Club regarding the supply drive

B. Township Supervisor
1. Attended MCA in Springfield
2. discussed Township bills
   a) Bill 2504 was given an extension

VIII. Trustee Liaison Committee Members

A. Youth and Family Services Committee

1. No additional information beyond the information provided by Director Traficano

B. Senior Services Committee

1. The accreditation process has began with the National Association of Senior Services
2. Celebrating seniors week will be May 8 - May 18th

C. Community Mental Health Board

1. approval process for 4 million in funding requests will begin on April 1st
2. joint consortium breakfast
   a) breakfast will occur at the Carlton hotel
   b) the breakfast will be held on April 20th at 9:00 AM
3. beginning strategic plan work
   a) have received 400 responses to the survey out of the 700 sought.
4. The board retreat is scheduled for June of 2025
   a) job at the retreat is to culminate the data received for the strategic plan

D. iGov Committee

1. the meeting was in low attendance
2. did not complete the brochure/questionnaire regarding running for election in Oak Park

IX. Adjournment of General Meeting - 9:03 pm

-motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Onayemi. Motion was seconded by Trustee Davis. The board voted unanimously to adjourn.