

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE OAK PARK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024, CONDUCTED IN-PERSON AND ELECTRONICALLY.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Clerk DaToya Burtin-Cox called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and the meeting was conducted in-person and electronically. On the call of the roll the following participated in-person: Trustee Eric Davis, Trustee Ade Onayemi; Interim Township Managers, Megan Traficano and Pamela Mahn, Township Supervisor, Clarmarie Keenan, Clerk, DaToya Burtin-Cox, and Township Attorney, John Garofalo, Township Manager E. Michel. Also present virtually, was Director Cheryl Potts, CMHB.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Letter from Patrick Gorski. Village of Norridge Bldg Commissioner, congratulating on hire of E. Michel as Township Manager.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Onayemi moved to approve the Township Minutes from January 19, 2024 and bills for the period of 1/3/24 – 1/15/24. Trustee Davis seconded the motion. Trustee Davis asked that the minutes be corrected to reflect that the Board approved hiring new Township Manager. The Board approved unanimously.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Sponsorships

- Added QR code and edited language.
- Will create a brochure for each department.
- Trustee Davis made motion to move forward with the department sponsorship brochure. Trustee Onayemi seconded the motion. The Board voted to approve.

DISCUSSION

- Trustee Davis indicated that he received compliment on the hire.

MANAGER REPORT

- Bilingual staff received \$1,500 raise [adjusted due to interpreter work]
- Beginning meetings with Finance re: budget
 - o Increase in rated for:
 - IPBC
 - IMRF
 - o A. Dugal gave presentation for increase in budget for Emergency Fund
- 3 Youth and Family Staff member were present at Library discussion
- Township Migrant work
 - o 22 referrals for YFS assistance
- OPRF HS presentation on 1/22
 - o Well attended despite weather
- CPI report is out
 - o 3.4% identified
- Trustee Davis expressed gratitude for the work done by Interim Managers
 - o Requested that the Board bring a Resolution

SUPERVISOR REPORT

- Thank you
- To schedule meeting with E Michel

CMHB (Trustee Thomas)

- In the middle of grant process
 - o Voted on budget
 - o 1.7 million dollars requested

- Grant hearings set for 1/30 and 2/1
 - Vote will occur 2/20
- School Board to hold listening session re: Mental Health
 - To host 7 sessions
 - To pull together result of discussions by March
- Potts expressed gratitude for the work of the Interim Managers and welcome E. Michel as Township Manager

Youth and Family Services(Trustee Trybus)

- Held Contractor Night for prospective grantee applicants
 - Good attendance
 - Explained the grant application process and answered questions
- RFP due 1/17
 - 14 received
 - 5 new applicants
 - 2 River Forest programs applied
- 2/7 – scheduled date to discuss RFPs

Senior Services (Trustee Davis)

- Meeting held 1/17
- Age Options application complete
- In need of od Drivers
- Intergovernmental Agreement with Park District allows greater flexibility
- Walk and Talks are coming up
- Senior services in need of volunteers for spaghetti dinner
- Shift staff around
 - Reception moved to front office
 - Transportation moved to back office

I-GOV (Trustee Onayemi)

- Meeting held 1/13
 - Village President gave update on migrants in Village
 - School Districts serving migrants
- Coordinating spring assembly for early April
- Seeking inout from taxing bodies re: services
- Coordinating complete village calendar of events

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Davis motioned to adjourn at 8:04 pm; Trustee Onayemi seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING

The next public meeting of the Oak Park Township Board of Trustees will be a Regular Board of Trustees Meeting conducted in-person and/or electronically at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 13, 2024, at 7 pm at the Township Office located at 105 S. Oak Park, Ave, Oak Park, IL.

Respectfully submitted by
and recorded in the office of

/s/ DaToya Burtin-Cox

DaToya Burtin-Cox, Clerk