

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BLOOM
TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
APRIL 26, 2022**

A regular meeting of the Bloom Township Board of Trustees was held at the Bloom Township Center, 425 S. Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois at 6:08 p.m. on April 26, 2022. Said meeting was called pursuant to written order to the Supervisor and the Board more than 48 hours to the time given as aforesaid being on file in the office of the Town Clerk, pursuant to the Authority of 60 ILCS 1/30-15 et seq. of the Revised Statutes of the State of Illinois.

Supervisor Thomas J. Somer requesting Clerk Carla Matthews to call the roll to open the meeting. The meeting continued with the roll call.
Present was:

Cheryl Franklin	Trustee
Don Garcia	Trustee
Michael Noonan	Trustee
Jacqueline Stewart	Trustee
Thomas J. Somer	Supervisor

Absent was Assessor Nora Gomez.

Also present was Administrator Leticia Johnson, Attorney, Terry Casey, Highway Commissioner and Deputy Clerk Jane Ruiz.

The minutes of April 12, 2022, board meeting was presented to the board and approved on a motion made by Trustee Stewart seconded by Trustee Garcia.

Roll call votes:

Trustee Garcia	Aye
Trustee Franklin	Aye
Trustee Noonan	Aye
Trustee Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Somer	Aye

Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Commissioner Stanfa attended Topic Day in Springfield stating the bid process has increased from \$20,000.00 to \$30,000.00. Commissioner Stanfa stated he met with State Representative Anthony Deluca. He was unable to meet with State Senator Patrick Joyce.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Nathan Wright of The Etiquette Foundation of Illinois addressed the board members explaining he has been teaching etiquette for the past 30 years. Mr. Wright stated etiquette and behavior is the most important lesson a child can learn. Mr. Wright explained the etiquette and behavioral programs are taught at the Etiquette Foundation.
Supervisor Somer stated Mr. Wright has worked with School District 170 and School District 206.
Supervisor Somer stated Youth Director Sonia Perez would be contacting Mr. Wright.

AUTHORIZATION FOR CLERK'S SIGNATURE ATTESTATION:

Clerk Matthews authorized her signature attestation to be published on the checks for bills April 26, 2022.

BILLS:

Supervisor Somer presented the following bills for April 26, 2022.

Road and Bridge	\$ 23,298.72
Town Fund	\$183,633.84
General Assistance	\$ 25,814.19

Trustee Noonan made a motion to approve the bills seconded by Trustee Garcia.

Roll call votes:

Trustee Franklin	Aye
Trustee Garcia	Aye
Trustee Noonan	Aye
Trustee Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Somer	Aye

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

DONATION REQUEST FROM JONES MEMORIAL COMMUNITY CENTER 34TH ANNUAL BROTHERHOOD BANQUET:

Supervisor Somer addressed the board members stating the Township donated \$100.00 in September 2021.

Trustee Noonan made a motion to donate \$250.00 seconded by Trustee Garcia.

Roll call votes:

Trustee Franklin	Aye
Trustee Garcia	Aye
Trustee Noonan	Aye
Trustee Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Somer	Aye

Motion carried.

Supervisor stated elected officials or staff members that want to attend the banquet should contact Administrator Johnson.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Supervisor Somer addressed the board members stating the roof replacement has begun and there is an issue with the skylight in the multipurpose room.

Administrator Johnson explained the ceiling, drywall and carpet were damaged due to the rain. Administrator Johnson stated it is being investigated if it was the temporary roof or the removal of the skylight that caused the leaking. The estimated date of the roof completion is the end of June.

Supervisor Somer stated the senior gas gift card program was a huge success. Supervisor Somer acknowledged all the work of the elected officials and the staff.

Supervisor Somer explained at later date an autumn senior program regarding gutter cleaning and a fall senior program regarding smoke and carbon dioxide detectors give away will be discussed.

Supervisor Somer continued to state that he received the preliminary engineering reports for Skyline Pool. The estimated cost for Skyline Pool will be 1.5 to 2 million dollars to be able to open the pool again. Supervisor Somer requested an engineering estimated cost for the demolition of the building and the pool area. In addition, estimated cost for a generic pool or recreational center was requested.

Veteran's Park will continue to be open.

Supervisor Somer announced Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle will have a Town Hall Meeting on June 02, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Chicago Heights Middle School.

With nothing further, to discuss Supervisor Somer requested a motion to adjourn.
Trustee Noonan made a motion seconded by Trustee Garcia.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.


SUPERVISOR


CLERK
CW/JR