

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BLOOM
TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MAY 19, 2020**

A regular meeting of the Bloom Township Board of Trustees was held at 6:01 p.m. on May 19, 2020. Said meeting was called pursuant to written order to the Supervisor and the Board more than 48 hours to the time given as previously mentioned 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.

The Bloom Township Board of Trustees meeting was a web zoom meeting.

Supervisor Thomas J. Somer requested Clerk Lisa M. Aprati to call the roll to open the meeting.

The meeting continued with the roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance.
Present on the web zoom meeting.

Carla Matthews	Trustees
Laretta Adams	Trustee
Kevin Watson	Trustee
Thomas J. Somer	Supervisor

In addition, was Administrator Dan Sanaghan, Highway Commissioner Joseph Stanfa, Senior Director Sheryl Ford, Maintenance Director George Sylvester and Deputy Clerk Jane Ruiz.

Absent were Assessor Nora Martinez-Gomez and Trustee Michael Noonan.

The minutes of April 28, 2020, board meeting was presented to the board and approved on a motion made by Trustee Watson seconded by Trustee Adams.

Roll call votes:

Trustee Matthews	Aye
Trustee Adams	Aye
Trustee Noonan	Absent
Trustee Watson	Aye
Supervisor Somer	Aye

Motion carried.

Trustee Michael Noonan joined the zoom meeting at 6:05 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Thank you card from the Taylor-Alston Family.

Thank you letter from Larc for the donation.

Correspondence from Township Officials of Cook County (TOCC).

Correspondence from United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None

Supervisor Somer stated he is at the Bloom Township building with Maintenance Director George Sylvester. The doors are open so the public has access to the building if they wish to attend the meeting. There was no public present.

AUTHORIZATION FOR CLERK'S SIGNATURE STAMP ATTESTATION:

Clerk Aprati authorized her signature attestation stamp to be published on checks for bills dated May 19, 2020

BILLS:

Supervisor Somer requested a motion to approve bills dated May 19, 2020.

Road and Bridge	15,712.89
Town Fund	82,861.37
General Assistance	27,415.80

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

Roll call votes:

Trustee Matthews	Aye
Trustee Adams	Aye
Trustee Noonan	Aye
Trustee Watson	Aye
Supervisor Somer	Aye

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS:

DONATION REQUEST FROM GLENWOOD ACADEMY:

Supervisor Somer stated the last donate the Township made to Glenwood Academy was in July 2017 for the golf outing for \$100.00.

Trustee Noonan made a motion to donate \$100.00 seconded by Trustee Matthews.

Roll call votes:

Trustee Matthews	Aye
Trustee Adams	Aye
Trustee Noonan	Aye
Trustee Watson	Aye
Supervisor Somer	Aye

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-04: APPROVE THE POSTING OF ESTIMATED BLOOM TOWNSHIP BUDGETS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021:

Supervisor Somer explained the 2020-2021 estimated Corporate, General Assistance and Road District budgets must be posted for thirty days. The budgets will be adopted June 23, 2020. Administrator Sanaghan explained a new line item, Emergency Plan Contingency was added to the Township Office budget, which is for expenses relating to the Coronavirus crisis.

Administrator Sanaghan reviewed the estimated Corp. budget stating the Township center would be applying for the State Grant Capital Improvements-COVID-19 for several capital projects that had engineering studies and architectural proposals. The Township also plans to complete several capital improvement projects funded with reserve Township Corporate Funds of \$935,100.00. Discussion ensued.

Highway Commissioner Stanfa stated the Road District is also trying to get a grant for 188th Street rebuilding. If the grant is approved, there will be an amendment to the Road District budget.

Trustee Adams made a motion seconded by Trustee Matthews.

Roll call votes:

Trustee Matthews	Aye
Trustee Adams	Aye
Trustee Noonan	Aye
Trustee Watson	Aye
Supervisor Somer	Aye

Motion carried.

MOTION TO SET 2020-2021 BUDGET HEARINGS ON JUNE 23, 2020 AT 6:00P.M., REGULAR MEETING TO FOLLOW:

Supervisor Somer requested a motion to set the 2020-2021 Budget Hearing for June 23, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. with the regular board meeting immediately following.

Trustee Adams made a motion seconded by Trustee Matthews.

Roll call votes:

Trustee Matthews	Aye
Trustee Adams	Aye
Trustee Noonan	Aye
Trustee Watson	Aye
Supervisor Somer	Aye

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-05: APPROVING SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE STATE OF ILLINOIS (DCEO) "FASTRACK INFRASTRUCTURE PUBLIC PROJECT GRANT"

Supervisor Somer stated the FastTrack Infrastructure Public Project Grant is the grant for the projects that Administrator Sanaghan explained. Supervisor Somer requested a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-05 to submit an application for the grant.

Trustee Matthews made a motion seconded by Trustee Adams.

Roll call votes:

Trustee Matthews	Aye
Trustee Adams	Aye
Trustee Noonan	Aye
Trustee Watson	Aye
Supervisor Somer	Aye

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-06: AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP CLERK TO PUBLISH A NOTICE SEEKING BIDS FOR THE PUBLIC PROJECTS SUBMITTED UNDER THE STATE OF ILLINOIS (DCEO) "FASTRACK INFRASTRUCTURE PUBLIC GRANT" APPLICATION:

Supervisor Somer requested a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2020-06 authorizing the Township Clerk to publish a notice seeking bids for the Township projects.

Trustee Matthews made a motion seconded by Trustee Noonan.

Roll call votes:

Trustee Matthews	Aye
Trustee Adams	Aye
Trustee Noonan	Aye
Trustee Watson	Aye
Supervisor Somer	Aye

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-07 AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP CLERK TO PUBLISH A NOTICE SEEKING BIDS FOR THE PROPOSED TOWNSHIP CENTER CAPITAL FUND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS:

Supervisor Somer requested a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-07 authorizing the Township Clerk to publish a notice seeking bids for the Capital Fund Infrastructure projects.

Trustee Watson made a motion seconded by Trustee Noonan.

Roll call votes:

Trustee Matthews	Aye
Trustee Adams	Aye
Trustee Noonan	Aye
Trustee Watson	Aye
Supervisor Somer	Aye

Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND DECISION ON STATUS OF SKYLINE POOL AND VETERAN'S MEMORIAL PARK OPERATION FOR 2020 SEASON:

Supervisor Somer stated due to the COVID-19 Skyline Pool will not be opened this year. Governor Pritzker has put the opening of recreation in Phase 5. Phase 5 is not anticipated until July or the middle of August and that would be the earliest the pool could open. Trustee Noonan questioned regarding the picnic area. Supervisor Somer stated no picnics would be held unless the Governor allows gatherings of more than ten people.

Discussion ensued.

Supervisor Somer requested a motion that Skyline Pool will remain closed for the 2020 Pool Season according to Governor's Pritzker order.

Trustee Noonan made a motion seconded by Trustee Adams.

Roll call votes:

Trustee Matthews	Aye
Trustee Adams	Aye
Trustee Noonan	Aye
Trustee Watson	Aye
Supervisor Somer	Aye

Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Senior Director Sheryl Ford addressed the board members regarding the annual senior picnic. Director Ford stated the senior picnic is held the first week of August every year. Director Ford stated that perhaps a drive thru lunch picnic could be held. An individual could purchase a lunch ticket and they would receive a small gift with the lunch. Perhaps the lunches could be provided to Bloom Township residents only. Supervisor Somer and the board members agreed. Supervisor Somer suggested under the circumstances the Township would not charge for the boxed lunches. Discussion ensued.

Director Ford stated Food Pantry Director Leticia Johnson has been doing a phenomenal job with the food pantry. One hundred to two hundred food pantry deliveries have been made to senior citizens using the Senior Wheels. The senior citizens have been leaving messages to the Senior Department stating they appreciate the Township is recognizing them as high-risk individuals during the COVID-19 crisis. Trustee Noonan recognized Food Pantry Assistant Susana Perez and Maintenance Director George Sylvester for their hard work and all there are doing due this crisis.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.



SUPERVISOR



CLERK

LMA/jr