

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BLOOM
TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
JUNE 18, 2019**

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 6:12 p.m. on June 18, 2019. 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 Lisa M. Aprati to call the roll to open the meeting.

The meeting continued with the roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance.
Present was:

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

Also present was Administrator Dan Sanaghan, Disabled Services Director/Food Pantry Director Leticia Gonzalez, Deputy Clerk Jane Ruiz, Highway Commissioner Joseph Stanfa and Maintenance Director George Sylvester.

Absent was Assessor Nora Martinez-Gomez.

The minutes of May 14, 2019, board meeting was presented to the board and approved on a motion made by Trustee Noonan seconded by Trustee Watson.

Roll call votes:

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

Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Thank you letter to Senior Department employee Gayle Planera from Sandra Cramer.

Thank you card to Deputy Clerk Jane Ruiz from Amelia DiRienzo and Mary Wellnitz.

Thank you letter from The Cancer Support Center for the donation.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Jill Schumake of unincorporated Chicago Heights addressed the board members regarding the drainage problems, vacant homes in area, raccoon problems due to the vacant homes and the repaving of the roads.

Supervisor Somer stated he is very familiar with one of the vacant home. The bank has the deed to one of the homes. Supervisor Somer further stated Maintenance Director Sylvester would get the address of the second vacant home to determine if the home is incorporated or unincorporated.

Supervisor Somer requested Highway Commissioner Stanfa to address the flooding and drainage problems.

Commissioner Stanfa stated Glenwood-Chicago Heights Road is a State Road and he will contact the State regarding the drainage problem. Commissioner Stanfa is working on getting the roads rebuilt.

Supervisor Somer stated State Representative Anthony Deluca has been working with Commissioner Stanfa to get a grant for the unincorporated area of the Townships.

AUTHORIZATION FOR CLERK'S SIGNATURE STAMP ATTESTATION:

Clerk Aprati affirmed and signed attestation for bills from May 31, 2019 to June 18, 2019.

BILLS:

Supervisor Somer presented the following bills May 31, 2019 to June 18, 2019:

Road and Bridge	39,330.72
Town Fund	167,938.74
General Assistance	49,795.86

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

Roll call votes:

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

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Somer stated the Assessor's report was placed in the board packets for informational purposes.

DISABLED SERVICES REPORT:

Leticia Gonzalez reviewed the Disabled Services report.

FOOD PANTRY REPORT:

Leticia Gonzalez reviewed the Food Pantry report.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE REPORT:

Supervisor Somer stated the General Assistance report was placed in the board packets for informational purposes.

SENIOR DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Supervisor Somer stated the Senior Department report was placed in the board packets for informational purposes.

NEW BUSINESS:

DONATION REQUEST FROM AHC (ALTERNATING HEMIPLEGIA OF CHILDHOOD)

FOUNDATION GOLF OUTING:

Donation requested denied due to lack of action.

DONATION REQUEST FROM PARENTS & FRIENDS OF LARC:

Supervisor Somer addressed the board members stating \$100.00 was donated in 2018 for the golf outing.

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

Roll call votes.

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

Motion carried.

DONATION REQUEST FROM SCHOOL DISTRICT 206 EDUCATION FOUNDATION 27TH ANNUAL WILLIAM MCCORMICK MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING:

Supervisor Somer addressed the board members stating the golf outing is the main event for School District 206.

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

Roll call votes.

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

Motion carried.

DONATION REQUEST FROM SOUTH SUBURBAN HOUSING CENTER:

Supervisor Somer addressed the board members stating \$100.00 was donated in 2018.

Trustee Adams made a motion to donate \$100.00 seconded by Trustee Watson.

Roll call votes.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-07: APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH NICOR AND COMMONWEALTH EDISON GOVERNING THE ACCESS AND REMEDIATION OF THE BLOOM TOWNSHIP ROAD DISTRICT OWNED PROPERTY LOCATION AT 1640 STATE STREET, CHICAGO HEIGHTS, ILLINOIS:

Supervisor Somer explained Resolution No. 2019-07, stating the resolution is regarding the contact between the Highway Department and the utility companies.

Trustee Noonan made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2019-07 seconded by Trustee Adams.

Roll call votes:

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

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-08: ADOPT GENERAL TOWN AND GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND BUDGETS:

Supervisor Somer requested a motion to adopt General Town and General Assistance Ordinance No. 2019-08.

Trustee Noonan made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2019-07 seconded by Trustee Adams.

Roll call votes:

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

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-09: ADOPT ROAD DISTRICT FUND BUDGET:

Supervisor Somer requested a motion to adopt Road District Budget.

Trustee Noonan made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2019-07 seconded by Trustee Matthews.

Roll call votes:

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

Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Supervisor Somer stated he has received several phone calls stating the great condition of Skyline Pool. Supervisor thanked Maintenance Director Sylvester for his hard work at the pool.

Commissioner Stanfa stated he traveled to Washington, D.C with several Township Officials of Illinois (TOI) for the National Association of Towns and Townships (NATaT) and met with Senator Duckworth, Congressmen and Congresswomen.

With nothing further, to discuss Supervisor Somer requested a motion to adjourn.

Trustee Noonan made a motion seconded by Trustee Matthews.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

SUPERVISOR

CLERK

LMA/jr