

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BLOOM
TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
JUNE 22, 2021**

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 6:05 p.m. on June 22, 2021. 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 and the Pledge of Allegiance.
Present was:

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

Also present was Administrator/ Disabled Services Director Leticia Johnson, Attorney Terry Casey of Del Galdo Law Group, Highway Commissioner Joseph Stanfa, Maintenance Director George Sylvester, Payroll Clerk Susan Pope and Deputy Clerk Jane Ruiz.
Absent was Assessor Nora Gomez.

The minutes of June 08, 2021 Public Hearings of the Proposed Budgets were presented to the board and approved on a motion made by Trustee Noonan seconded by Trustee Franklin.

Roll call votes:

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

Motion carried.

The minutes of June 08, 2021, board meeting were presented to the board and approved on a motion made by Trustee Garcia seconded by Trustee Stewart.

Roll call votes:

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

Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Thank you card from retired Accounts Payable/General Assistance Director employee, Anna Scrementi.

Save the date card from A Silver Lining Foundation.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None

AUTHORIZATION FOR CLERK'S SIGNATURE ATTESTATION:

Clerk Matthews authorized her signature attestation to be published on the checks for bills of June 22, 2021.

BILLS:

Supervisor Somer presented the following bills for June 22, 2021:

Road and Bridge	\$ 10,694.09
Town Fund	\$110,966.15
General Assistance	\$ 25,415.65

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

Roll call votes:

Trustee Garcia	Aye
Trustee Franklin	Aye
Trustee Noonan	Aye
Trustee Stewart	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.

NEW BUSINESS:

DONATION REQUEST FROM THE CANCER SUPPORT NEW BEGINNINGS:

Supervisor Somer stated a donation to the Cancer Center was made August 2020 for \$100.00. Trustee Noonan made a motion to donate \$100.00 seconded by Trustee Garcia.
Roll call votes:

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

Motion carried.

DONATION REQUEST FROM GLENWOOD ACADEMY "WHO DO YOU WANT TO BE?"

Supervisor Somer stated a donation to Glenwood Academy was made July 2020 for \$100.00. Trustee Noonan made a motion to donate \$100.00 seconded by Trustee Garcia.
Roll call votes:

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

Motion carried.

DONATION REQUEST FROM INGALLS DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION ANNUAL OPEN GOLF OPENING:

Supervisor Somer stated the Township has not donated to Ingalls Hospital in the past. Donation request died due to lack of action.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Supervisor Somer addressed the board members stating he wanted to discuss a few items with the trustees. Within 90 days, all newly elected officials are required to participate in an online training regarding the Open Meeting Act. Supervisor Somer had a meeting with Michael Taylor of South Suburban News Media Services. Supervisor Somer has considered Mr. Taylor to be a Media Consultant for Bloom Township. Mr. Taylor will make a presentation at a future meeting. Supervisor Somer wants to establish a presence with the clergy. Supervisor Somer will invite Apostle McCoy to attend a meeting to discuss the Ministerial Alliance of Chicago Heights. Supervisor Somer reminded the attendees of Noonan Fest, July 31, 2021. Supervisor Somer stated the final item he wanted to discuss is to create a committee. The Trustees are encouraged to create a committee for an outreach program.

Discussion ensued regarding Township Officials of Cook County.

With nothing further, to discuss Supervisor Somer requested a motion to adjourn. Trustee Noonan made a motion seconded by Trustee Garcia.
Meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.



SUPERVISOR

CLERK
CM/jr