

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BLOOM
TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MAY 10, 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 7:00 p.m. on May 10, 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 and the Pledge of Allegiance.
Present was:

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

Also present was Attorney, Terry Casey, General Assistance Director Keith Lott, Highway Commissioner Joseph Stanfa, Maintenance Director Jesus Rodriguez, Senior Director Tracy Sylvester, Youth Director Sonia Perez and Deputy Clerk Jane Ruiz.

Absent was Assessor Nora Gomez and Trustee Noonan.

The minutes of April 26, 2022, board meeting was 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	Absent
Trustee Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Somer	Aye

Motion carried.

Trustee Noonan arrived at 7:03 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Township Officials of Cook County regarding TOCC 2022 Spring Conference and Annual Meeting.
Township Officials of Illinois regarding 2022 Educational Workshops

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None

AUTHORIZATION FOR CLERK'S SIGNATURE ATTESTATION:

Clerk Matthews authorized her signature attestation to be published on the checks for bills May 10, 2022.

BILLS:

Supervisor Somer presented the following bills for May 10, 2022.

Road and Bridge	\$ 9,347.82
Town Fund	\$79,353.63
General Assistance	\$11,814.60

Trustee Franklin 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:

SENIOR DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Supervisor Somer addressed the board members stating the Senior Department report was placed in the board packets for informational purposes.

NEW BUSINESS:
DONATION REQUEST FROM CHIEF APOSTLE DR. WILLIAM MCCOY: THE INTERNATIONAL PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLIES ECUMENICAL (IPAE) FELLOWSHIP NETWORK 27TH ANNUAL JUNE CONVOCATION:

Donation request died due to lack of action

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-08: APPROVING AN APPOINTMENT TO FILL A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF BLOOM TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE:

Supervisor addressed the board stating our dear friend, associate and fellow trustee, Mike Noonan submitted his resignation effective May 01, 2022. Supervisor Somer expressed his gratitude to Trustee Noonan for his support as a board member, his foresight and taking leadership on the expansion of the Food Pantry.

Trustee Noonan expressed his gratitude to Mayor David Gonzalez, Mayor Terry Matthews and Supervisor Somer. Trustee Noonan stated he was elected nine years ago. It has been a long journey and a tremendous honor. Trustee Noonan stated he is excited about the next phase in his life

Trustee Franklin thanked Trustee Noonan for his time served on the board and stated it was a pleasure sitting next to him.

Trustee Garcia stated it has been a pleasure serving on the board with Trustee Noonan.

Trustee Stewart stated she appreciates the time served with Trustee Noonan.

South Chicago Heights Mayor Matthews thanked Trustee Noonan and stated he was happy for him.

Supervisor Somer stated he has been in contact with the board members and presented the name of Luciano Panici Jr. to fill the vacancy of Trustee Noonan.

Supervisor Somer requested a motion to approve Resolution No. 2022-08.

Trustee Garcia made a motion to Approve Resolution No. 2022-08 seconded by Trustee Franklin.

Roll call votes:

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

Motion carried.

Supervisor Somer introduced Luciano Panici Jr. son of Judge Luciano Panici Sr. former Bloom Township Attorney.

Judge Panici administrated the Trustee Oath of Office to Luciano Panici Jr.

Trustee Panici thanked everyone stating he is honored to serve on the board. Trustee Panici expressed his gratitude to his family, Supervisor Somer, Chicago Heights Mayor Gonzalez and South Chicago Heights Mayor Matthews.

Highway Commissioner Stanfa thanked Trustee Noonan for all he has done for the Township.

Clerk Matthews stated it was great being on the board with Trustee Noonan and appreciated all the work he has done with the Food Pantry.

OTHER BUSINESS:


Supervisor Somer addressed the board explaining a meeting will be held the 2nd Tuesday of May due to the posting of the estimated budgets.

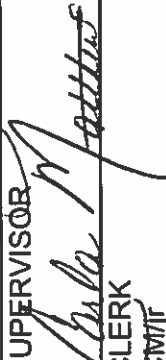
Highway Commissioner Stanfa stated his staff is moving into the new building.

Trustee Franklin stated she attended the Jones Community Center Brotherhood Banquet. Fifteen students from Bloom High School and Bloom Trail received \$1,000.00 scholarship.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.



SUPERVISOR


CLERK
CMT/JT