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TOWNSHIP OF ORLAND

Minutes - Township Board of Trustees

State of Illinois, Cook County, Township of Orland

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- 1. August 18, 2025, Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 7pm by Supervisor O'Grady.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Supervisor O'Grady, Clerk Olson, Trustees Duffy, Matariyeh, Soltis and Williams were all in attendance. Attorney Luanne Galovich of Del Galdo Law Group, LLC was also in attendance.
- 4. A motion to approve the July 21, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Soltis.

Aye-5 Nay-0

A motion to approve the July 21, 2025 Closed Session Minutes was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Soltis.

Aye- 5 Nay- 0

- 5. Public comment was made by citizen Wolfgang Thiel expressing that he is against the closing of the SoS office. Assessor Rich Kelly also read his assessor report into the record as his public comment. Tinley Park Mayor Mike Glotz addressed the assessor's comments and mentioned a successful tax appeal seminar that was held in Tinley Park in July.
- 6. Cook County Sheriff Police Hireback Program Report was highlighted by Commander Kendall Evans.
- 7. Reports

Supervisor O'Grady gave an update on the Cook County Zoning Matter at 17101 S. Wolf Rd. He stated that the next zoning meeting will be September 3rd but this matter is not currently on the agenda. He also FOIA'd the Crestwood Repo calls from the Crestwood police and has that Information available.

Trustee Soltis mentioned some highlights of the Health Services report Including a successful Health Fair and vaccination clinic.

Trustee Williams did not give a report.

Trustee Duffy congratulated all Township staff on their improved reports this month. He reminded everyone of the upcoming C.E.R.T. program beginning on September 18. Update was given on the Secretary of State relocation. The real estate group that found a facility for them 5 years ago reached out to the Secretary of State several times but has been unable to reach them. Trusteed Duffy also reported that the assistant administrator position has been filled and congratulated the Senior Services Department for their outstanding work on the recent Motown event. The first Finance Committee meeting will take place on September 15 at 6:30pm..

Trustee Matariyeh highlighted some events from the Youth and Family Services Committee. She invited everyone out to Game Night this Wednesday, August 20. Game night will continue every third Wednesday of the month going forward.

9. New Business

a. A motion to approve Resolution 01-08-18-25 authorizing and approving certain standard operating guidelines for the Orland Township Community Emergency Response Team ("C.E.R.T.") Program was made by Trustee Williams and seconded by Trustee Duffy.

Discussion ensued about who would be the designated coordinator of the program. Trustee Duffy stated he would be. Discussion continued about whether a Trustee could run the program.

Supervisor O'Grady made a motion to supersede the previous motion to appoint a designated coordinator. No second was heard.

The original motion made by Trustee Williams and seconded by Trustee Duffy was voted on.

4 Ayes (trustees Duffy, Matariyeh, Soltis, and Williams)1 Aye (supervisor O'Grady) with stipulation to appoint a Coordinator from the office.

0 Nay

Motion passed.

b. A motion was made by Trustee Williams to table the contract with SunCom for live streaming regular board meetings. Second by Trustee Duffy.

5 Aye 0 Nay

c. A motion to request a meeting with Government Consulting Services of Illinois, LLC, regarding services provided was made by Trustee Soltis and seconded by Trustee Williams.

5 Aye 0 Nay

d. A motion to discuss creating a policy for travel expenses and reimbursements for Elected Officials was made by Trustee Williams and seconded by Trustee Soltis.

5 Aye 0 Nay

e. A motion to solicit request for proposals to architectural firms for a feasibility and programming study to evaluate the entire space requirements and adjacencies for the Township building was made by Trustee Soltis and seconded by Trustee Duffy.

5 Aye 0 Nay

f. A motion to approve the Payment of Bills as presented in the report dated August 18, 2025, with the following funds: (1) \$127, 893.87, (2) \$39,391.08 from the Road and Bridge Fund, and (3) \$23,146.64 from the General Assistance Fund was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Williams.

Discussion occurred regarding a \$5,000 payment to a contractor from the Town Fund. Supervisor O'Grady suggested a supplemental motion to revise the Town Fund down by \$5,000 to \$122,893.87. The motion was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Williams.

5 Aye 0 Nay

10. Closed Session

a. A motion to enter into closed session pursuant to the following sections of the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/2): (a) Section 2 (c)(1) to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline performance, or dismissal of specific employees. However, a meeting to consider an increase in compensation to a specific employee of a public body that is subject to the Local Government Wage Increase Transparency Act may not be closed and shall be open to the public and posted and held in accordance with the Act; (b) Section 2(c)(2) to engage in deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees was made by Trustee Williams and seconded by Trustee Duffy.

5 Aye 0 Nay

b. A motion to adjourn the closed session and reconvene in open session to discuss: the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity was made by Supervisor O'Grady at 8:32 p.m. and seconded by Trustee Matariyeh.

5 Aye 0 Nay

11. A motion to ADJOURN the meeting at 8:35 p.m. was made by Trustee Williams and seconded by Trustee Duffy.

5 Aye 0 Nay