

TOWNSHIP OF ORLAND

Minutes - Township Board of Trustees



Paul A. O'Grady
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Shannon Olson
Clerk

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Lena Matariyeh
Kenneth Soltis
Frank Williams
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June 15, 2026, Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 7:20pm by Supervisor O'Grady.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor O'Grady, Clerk Olson, Trustees Duffy, Matariyeh, Soltis, and Williams were in attendance. Attorney Tiffany Nelson-Jaworski of Del Galdo Law Group, LLC and Executive Administrator Amy Haddad were also in attendance.

Clerk's Report:

Clerk Olson reminded everyone about office closures on Friday, June 19 for Juneteenth and Friday, July 3, for the 250th Independence Day.

A motion to approve May 18, 2026, finance committee, regular and closed minutes and May 27, 2026, special board meeting minutes was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Matariyeh. Roll was taken:

Aye 5 Nay 0

Reports:

Supervisor O'Grady made comments thanking those that came out to the Special Town Meeting.

Trustee Soltis submitted the Health Services report and pointed out some upcoming events including the health fare scheduled for July 11.

Trustee Duffy spoke about CERT Stop the Bleed event they attended on June 9th. Mentioned that the next class begins on August 6th and to attend send an email to Amy Haddad or himself. He also mentioned the new video made by Joshua Vinson about the Township. It is on Facebook, Instagram, and the Township YouTube channel.

Trustee Matariyeh submitted the Youth and Family Services report. She also mentioned upcoming events including Minds Matter and the monthly Game Night.

Trustee Williams had no report.

Highway Commissioner William Brennen was unable to attend.

Unfinished Business

a. A motion to give hiring and firing authority to the Executive Administrator for employees making \$40,000 or less after prior notification to the Supervisor and Board of Trustees was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Williams. Discussion occurred. Supervisor O'Grady voiced concerns about delegating that authority.

Roll call was taken.

Aye 3 (Trustees Duffy, Soltis, Williams)

Nay 2 (Trustee Matariyeh, Supervisor O'Grady)

Motion passes

b. A motion to approve a partnership with Ampion to provide solar to Orland Township was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Soltis. Discussion occurred.

A superseding motion to table this item was made by Trustee Matariyeh and seconded by Supervisor O'Grady.

Aye 2 (Trustee Matariyeh, Supervisor O'Grady)

Nay 3 (Trustees Duffy, Soltis, Williams)

Motion fails

Roll call was taken to approve the Ampion partnership.

Aye 3 (Trustees Duffy, Soltis, Williams)

Nay 2 (Trustee Matariyeh, Supervisor O'Grady)

Motion passes

New Business

A motion to move item 8e up to the 8a was made by Trustee Williams and seconded by Trustee Duffy.

Roll call was taken.

Aye 4 (Trustees Duffy, Matariyeh, Soltis, Williams)

Nay 1 (Supervisor O'Grady)

Motion passes

a. A motion to approve Resolution 03-06-15-26 Establishing Binding Protocols for the Chairperson when Presiding and Adopting Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised as the Official Parliamentary Authority was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Williams.

Roll call was taken.

Aye 4 (Trustees Duffy, Matariyeh, Soltis, Williams)

Nay 1 (Supervisor O'Grady)

Motion passes

b. A motion to adopt Ordinance 01-06-15-26 General Assistance and Town Fund Budget and Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 as presented was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Soltis.

Discussion occurred.

*Supervisor O'Grady voiced his concern about the \$150,000 grant being included as income. And voiced concerns regarding a forensic audit stating that the regular audits that occur yearly are clean so sees no need to spend the money.

*Trustee Duffy made a comment stating the grant is being used as it is supposed to be for building improvements. Also, pointed out that we received a letter of concern from our yearly auditor stating some issues he found in the 2025 audit also referring to a previous concern letter that was sent.

*Trustee Matariyeh wanted to make sure that the \$150,000 grant wasn't going toward the proposed forensic audit.

*Supervisor O'Grady began interrupting people from the chair.

*Trustee Williams asked for a Point of Order and Trustee Duffy asked for a roll call vote on that Point of Order.

*No requested roll call vote was taken.

*Trustee Williams then continued discussing past employees' misuse and stealing of funds.

*Supervisor O'Grady denied knowing of issues.

*Trustee Williams then pointed out that Supervisor O'Grady was the one that filed the police reports.

Roll was called on the Budget Ordinance Motion.

Aye 4 (Trustees Duffy, Matariyeh, Soltis, Williams)

Nay 1(Supervisor O'Grady)

Motion passes

c. A motion to adopt Ordinance 02-06-15-26 the Road and Bridge Budget and Appropriations for Fiscal year 2026-2027 as presented was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Soltis.

Roll call was taken.

Aye 5 Nay 0

Motion passes unanimously.

d. A motion to approve Resolution 01-06-15-26 Creation of an Ad Hoc unincorporated Orland Park Citizen Committee with Chairs Lena Matariyeh and Ken Duffy was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Williams. Discussion occurred. Supervisor O'Grady does not recommend Trustee Duffy to chair this committee. Trustee Duffy pointed out he was asked to chair by a citizen.

Roll call was taken.

Aye 4 (Trustees Duffy, Matariyeh, Soltis, Williams)

Nay 1(Supervisor O'Grady)

Motion passes

e. A motion to approve Resolution 02-06-15-26 Creation of and Ad Hoc Citizen Communication and Information Committee was made by Supervisor O'Grady and seconded by Trustee Matariyeh.

Roll call was taken.

Aye 2(Trustee Matariyeh, Supervisor O'Grady)

Nay 3(Trustees Duffy, Soltis, Williams)

Motion fails

f. A motion to Authorize Request for Quote/Qualifications for Forensic Audit Services was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Soltis.

The Board of Trustees of Orland Township authorize the Executive Administrator to prepare and issue a Request for Quote ("RFQ") for a thorough and complete independent forensic auditing services relating to all Township books, accounts, funds, financial records, and related documentation of the Township for Fiscal Years 2020 through 2026. Including but not limited to, GA Account, Food Pantry Account, Scholarship Account, Town Fund Account, Road and Bridge Account. This recommends up to \$300,000 to be budgeted for the audit, and \$50,000 for any necessary administrative support, such as may be needed, from a temporary staffing agency.

Further:

1. The RFQ shall be distributed to no fewer than three qualified forensic auditing firms within thirty (30) days following passage of this motion.
2. The RFQ will be posted to qualified bid sites used for these purposes online.
3. The scope of services shall include review and examination of all Township funds, departments, financial transactions, accounting practices, records, supporting documentation, and related matters deemed appropriate within Fiscal Years 2020 through 2026.
4. Any contract award resulting from the RFQ process, including the total authorized expenditure amount, shall be subject to subsequent approval by vote of the Board of Trustees and appropriation in compliance with applicable Illinois law and Township budgeting requirements.
5. The Executive Administrator and Township staff shall cooperate in good faith with all firms responding to the RFQ and, upon execution of any approved agreement, shall provide the selected forensic auditor with reasonable access to records, documents, electronic data, reports, and other materials necessary for the performance of contracted professional services, subject to applicable law.
6. The Board further authorizes the consideration and funding of temporary staffing support, including retention of a temporary employment agency or temporary personnel, as may be reasonably necessary to assist Township operations and staff in responding to the additional administrative and document-production workload associated with the forensic audit process, subject to Board approval of expenditures consistent with Township purchasing, budgeting, and appropriations requirements.
7. The Township Attorney is authorized to review the RFQ and any proposed agreements for legal form and compliance with applicable Illinois Township Code, the Illinois Open Meetings Act, the Illinois Local Records Act, and all other applicable laws and policies.
8. This motion and any resulting RFQ, proposed contract, or scope of work may be amended by subsequent action of the Board of Trustees with respect to the authorized cost, scope of services, timeline, scheduling milestones, and expected date for presentation or production of findings by the forensic auditor.

Submitted by: Trustees Williams, Duffy and Soltis

A Superseding motion to table this item was made by Trustee Matariyeh and seconded by Supervisor O'Grady. Roll call was taken.

Aye 2 (Trustee Matariyeh, Supervisor O'Grady)

Nay 3 (Trustees Duffy, Soltis, Williams)

Motion to table fails.

Roll call was taken on the Forensic Audit RFQ.

Aye 4 (Trustees Duffy, Matariyeh, Soltis, Williams)

Nay 1 (Supervisor O'Grady)

Motion for the Forensic Audit passes.

g. A motion to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Cook County Sheriff's Office concerning the Sheriff Police Hire Back Program was made by Supervisor O'Grady and seconded by Trustee Duffy. Roll call was taken.

Aye 5 Nay 0

Motion passes unanimously.

h. A motion to approve new part-time Senior Transportation Drivers: Frank Furman, Mark Jensen, and Geraldine Hurihan was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Matariyeh. Roll call was taken.

Aye 5 Nay 0

Motion passes unanimously.

i. A motion to approve new part-time Food Pantry employee Nathan Schmidt was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Williams. Roll call was taken.

Aye 5 Nay 0

Motion passes unanimously.

j. A motion to approve payment of bills on the warrant list as presented was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Soltis. Roll call was taken.

Aye 5 Nay 0

Motion passes unanimously.

k. A motion to approve Payment of Bills as presented in the report dated June 15, 2026, with the following funds: (1) \$215,431.30 from the Town Fund, (2) \$141,511.50 from the Road and Bridge Fund, and (3) \$7,595.00 from the General Assistance fund was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Matariyeh. Roll call was taken.

Aye 5 Nay 0

Motion passes unanimously.

l. A motion to convene in Executive Session pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2 (c)(1) appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees was made by Trustee Matariyeh and seconded by Trustee Soltis. Roll call was taken.

Aye 5 Nay 0

Motion passes unanimously.

Return to open session at approximately 8:15pm all still present.

m. A motion to terminate Employee A, Luke Scalone, was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Soltis. Roll call was taken.

Aye 3 (Trustees Duffy, Soltis, Williams)

Nay 2 (Trustee Matariyeh, Supervisor O'Grady)

Motion passes

n. A motion to send a letter to Employee B, Kathleen Love, regarding her job abandonment and asking her to return Township property (keys etc.) was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Williams. Roll call was taken.

Aye 5 Nay 0

Motion passes unanimously.

A motion to ADJOURN the meeting at 8:17pm was made by Trustee Duffy and seconded by Trustee Matariyeh. All were in favor.

The Board acknowledges, accepts, and incorporates the following into the record:

a. May 18, 2026, finance, regular and closed session minutes.

b. May 27, 2026, special board meeting minutes.

d. June 15, 2026, attendance sheet and request to comment forms

e. Reports from the following departments: Senior Services, Senior Transportation, Health Services, Youth and Family Services, Food Pantry, General Assistance, Assessor, and Human Resources.

Respectfully submitted by

Shannon Olson

Orland Township Clerk