Maine Township Board Meeting January 22, 2019

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Board Members Present: Supervisor Morask, Clerk Gialamas, Assessor Moylan Krey, Highway Commissioner Kazmierczak, Trustees Jones, Carrabotta, McKenzie and Sweeney

Other in attendance: Kurt Asprooth, Dayna Berman, Doriene Prorak, Carol Langan, Denise Jajko, Michael Samaan, Ryan McKenzie, Diane Carrabotta, Richard Lyon, Benny Velazquez, Aida Velazquez, Dan Gott, Donna Adam, and Wiesia Tytko.

Supervisor Morask called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., led the Pledge of Allegiance and Clerk Gialamas called the roll.

Agenda Item: Presentation of Plaque to Jewel

Supervisor Morask presented an appreciation Plaque to Jewel to Benny Velazquez. She congratulated all Jewel employees on 481 Busse Highway in Park Ridge for collecting \$75,000.00. Supervisor Morask thanked Jewel for their generosity and for donating \$25,000.00 in holiday dinners to the Maine Township Food Pantry.

Agenda Item: Presentation of Check to Honor Flight Chicago

Clerk Gialamas stated that Honor Flight Chicago was invited to the Board meeting to receive a \$1,000 donation. He added that the representative was unable to attend so the check will be mailed to them.

Agenda Item: Approval of Minutes of December 18, 2018 Special Board Meeting

Trustee Carrabotta Motion to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the

December 18, 2018 Special Board Meeting.

Trustee McKenzie Second.

Trustee Sweeney presented her amendments and asked to include them in the December 18, 2018 Special Board meeting.

Supervisor Morask pointed out that in the past the Board decided to make the minutes more summarized and agreed to use "See video" for more specific information.

Discussion.

During lengthy discussion Trustee Sweeney requested including her changes to the minutes, Trustee Jones requested to include her conversation with Trustee Carrabotta, Trustee Carrabotta agreed to the verbatim inclusion and Trustee McKenzie voiced her opinion that the Board should pay more attention to the important agenda items and the minutes should just be a summarization of the action taken during the meeting.

For more specific details see video at 9:30.

Trustee Sweeney Motion to approve the December 18, 2018 Special Board meeting

> with proposed amendments from Trustee Sweeney and including verbatim conversation between Trustee Jones and Trustee

Carrabotta on "Vote on Copier/Printer Vendor" agenda item.

Trustee Carrabotta Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask No Trustee Jones No
Trustee McKenzie Yes
Trustee Carrabotta Yes
Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of Minutes of December 27, 2018 Bill Pay Review

Trustee Jones Motion to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the

December 27, 2018 Bill Pay Review.

Trustee Carrabotta Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Yes
Trustee Jones Yes
Trustee McKenzie Yes
Trustee Carrabotta Yes
Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of Minutes of December 27, 2018 Board Meeting

Supervisor Morask Motion to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the

December 27, 2018 Board Meeting.

Trustee Carrabotta Second.

Trustee Sweeney presented her amendments to the December 27, 2018 meeting minutes.

Trustee Sweeney Motion to waive the reading and approve the amended minutes of

the December 27, 2018 Board meeting.

Trustee Carrabotta Second.

Discussion.

See video at 24:00.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask
Trustee Jones
No
Trustee McKenzie
No
Trustee Carrabotta
Yes
Trustee Sweeney
Yes

Motion failed.

Supervisor Morask Motion to approve the minutes of the December 27, 2018 Board

meeting with the correction on page 5, changing Trustee Sweeney's vote to "No" in the Old Business, Discussion only of IMRF expenses/reimbursement - Motion to go to the Closed

Session.

Trustee Jones Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Yes
Trustee Jones Yes
Trustee McKenzie Yes
Trustee Carrabotta Yes
Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Public Participation

Dan Gott, Des Plaines resident commented on Maine Township Tax Levies passed on December 18, 2018 and gave his suggestions regarding abating said levies.

Agenda Item: Approval of General Assistance Expenditures

Payrolls dated December 28, 2018 and January 11, 2019 and General Assistance checks #51735 through check #51787 in the amount of \$51,685.15.

Trustee Jones Motion to approve.

Trustee Carrabotta Second Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Yes
Trustee Jones Yes
Trustee McKenzie Yes
Trustee Carrabotta Yes
Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of Road District Expenditures

Payrolls dated December 28, 2018 and January 11, 2019 and Road District checks #20720 through check #20761 in the amount of \$100.007.19.

Trustee Carrabotta Motion to approve.

Supervisor Morask Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Yes
Trustee Jones Yes
Trustee McKenzie Yes
Trustee Carrabotta Yes
Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of General Town Fund Expenditures

Payrolls dated December 28, 2018 and January 11, 2019 and General Town Fund checks #56487 through check #56555 in the amount of \$319,555.05.

Trustee McKenzie Motion to approve.

Trustee Jones Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Yes
Trustee Jones Yes
Trustee McKenzie Yes
Trustee Carrabotta Yes
Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: New Business, Contract for Front Patio Paver Replacement Project

Supervisor Morask presented a quote from Castillo Service Group for the paver replacement project which will be paid from the Capital Fund.

Supervisor Morask Motion to hire Castillo Service Group for the Front Patio Paver

Replacement project with estimate amount of \$9,500.00.

Trustee Jones Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Yes
Trustee Jones Yes
Trustee McKenzie Yes
Trustee Carrabotta Yes
Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Old Business, Policies and Procedures:

Posting Financial and Other Records on our Website

Trustee Carrabotta Motion to approve the proposed Policy for Posting Financial and

Other Records on our Website.

Trustee Sweeney Second.

Discussion on proposed amendments and suggestions. See video at 48:23.

Trustee Carrabotta Motion to approve the Policy for Posting Financial and Other

Records on our Website with included amendments such as: in #1(d) Annual Budgets and Amended Budgets, #1(l) Resolutions, Ordinances with Directory, #1(m) Intergovernmental agreements with Directory, #2 delete "and (n), #3 delete "and directs that

items (above)".

Trustee Sweeney Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Yes
Trustee Jones Yes
Trustee McKenzie Yes
Trustee Carrabotta Yes
Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Old Business, Tax Abatement Ordinance as proposed by Trustees Sweeney and Carrabotta Supervisor Morask presented the Ordinance abating portion of 2018 tax levied proposed by Trustee Sweeney and Trustee Carrabotta.

Trustee Sweeney read out loud her proposed amendments to the Ordinance 2019-1. (See attached) Trustee Carrabotta pointed out that these amendments were checked by Attorney Asprooth.

Trustee Sweeney Motion to adopt the Ordinance 2019-1, An Ordinance abating a

portion of the tax heretofore levied for the year 2018 for township and general assistance purposes of Maine Township, Cook County, Illinois with the amendments proposed by Trustee

Sweeney.

Trustee Carrabotta Second.

Discussion and comments.

Attorney Kurt Asprooth advised that since we reduced the December 2018 levy (which is taken out in 2019), if we decided to abate the levy, there is a "look back" provision which allows us to set the 2019 levy at the highest of the last 3 years of 2016, 2017 and 2018. Supervisor Morask said that the highest year was 2016.

See video at 1:08:46.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask No
Trustee Jones No
Trustee McKenzie No
Trustee Carrabotta Yes
Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion failed.

Supervisor Morask stated in her opinion this abatement ordinance is premature but the Board will revisit this matter in February.

Agenda Item: Old Business, Salary Study Vendor – McGrath Consulting

Supervisor Morask stated that with Trustee McKenzie's suggestion the research was done regarding the Salary Study for Maine Township. Supervisor Morask stated that McGrath Human Resources Group was chosen to conduct the Salary Study upon approval by the Board.

Supervisor Morask explained the process of the Salary Study program and added that Dr. Victoria McGrath, CEO of McGrath Human Resources Group is available for any questions on conference calls during tonight's Board meeting. Dr. McGrath's group background and experience and professional proposal was in the Board distribution.

Supervisor Morask Motion to hire McGrath Human Resources Group with the

presented Professional Proposal prepared for Maine Township,

IL.

Trustee McKenzie Second.

Discussion and comments.

See video at 1:31:48.

Trustee Carrabotta read out loud "Rider to Salary Study" and proposed to include it in the motion.

Trustee Carrabotta Motion to amend the previous motion to include the "Rider to

Salary Study" in McGrath Human Resources Group contract.

Trustee Sweeney Second.

Discussion.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask No
Trustee Jones No
Trustee McKenzie No
Trustee Carrabotta Yes
Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion failed.

Supervisor Morask Motion to hire McGrath Human Resources Group for Salary

Study with a total cost of \$13,876.00, payment in three installments: \$4,000.00 upon signing of the contract; \$5,876.00 upon submission of the draft report; and \$4,000.00 upon

submission of the final report.

Trustee Jones Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Yes

Trustee Jones Yes
Trustee McKenzie Yes
Trustee Carrabotta No
Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Personnel

None.

Agenda Item: Officials' Reports

Supervisor Morask asked to schedule a few dates for staff evaluations meetings. She added that the draft salary study report should be done in March and final report in April.

Supervisor Morask stated that Jewel is a phenomenal partner and our residents are very grateful for their donations.

All the Board members waived any additional oral board reports.

Agenda Item: Administrator's Report

None.

Agenda Item: Closed Session

Agenda Item: Adjournment

Trustee Carrabotta Motion to adjourn.

Trustee Sweeney Second.

All in favor.

Motion carried on a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Maine Township Clerk

ORDINANCE No. 2019-1

An Ordinance abating a portion of the tax heretofore levied for the year 2018 for township and general assistance purposes of Maine Township, Cook County, Illinois.

* * *

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of Maine Township, Cook County, Illinois (the "District"), by an Ordinance adopted on the 18th day of December, 2018, Ordinance No. 2018-3, TAX LEVY ORDINANCE FOR MAINE TOWNSHIP ("2018 Levy Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, duly certified copies of the 2018 Levy Ordinance were filed in the office of the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois (the "County Clerk"); and

WHEREAS, the Maine Township has funds arising from other sources which may lawfully be used to pay operational expenses and therefore desires by Ordinance to direct the County Clerk to abate a portion of said levy;

WHEREAS, the Board has determined and does hereby determine that it is necessary and in the best interests of the Township that a portion of the taxes heretofore levied for the year 2018 for township and general assistance purposes be abated:

Now, Therefore, Be It and It Is Hereby Ordained by the Board of Trustees of Maine Township, Cook County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. Incorporation of Preambles. The Board hereby finds that all of the recitals contained in the preambles to this Ordinance are full, true and correct and does incorporate them into this Ordinance by this reference.

Section 2. Abatement of Taxes. The taxes heretofore levied for the year 2018 in the 2018 Levy Ordinance shall be abated as follows:

Fund	Amount Levied in 2018	AMOUNT TO BE ABATED BY THIS ORDINANCE	REMAINDER OF TAX TO BE EXTENDED
Corporate	\$4,218,998	\$1,265,699	\$2,953,299
General Assistance	\$827,289	\$827,289	\$0.00
Total	\$5,046,287	\$2,092,988	\$2,953,299

Section 3. Filing of Ordinance. Forthwith upon the adoption of this Ordinance, the Secretary of the Board shall file a certified copy hereof with the County Clerk, and it shall be the duty of the County Clerk to abate said taxes levied for the year 2018 in accordance with the provisions hereof and as shown in Section 3 hereinabove.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect forthwith upon its adoption.

Adopted	, 2019.		
		Supervisor	
Attest:			
Clerk	***************************************		

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Amendment to the draft Ordinance 2019-1 submitted by Trustee Susan Sweeney:

An Ordinance abating a portion of the tax heretofore levied for the year 2018 for township and general assistance purposes of Maine Township, Cook County, Illinois.

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ADD/INSERT WORDS IN RED:

WHEREAS the Maine Township has funds arising from other sources, those funds being the reserve money in the bank as of February 28, 2018 totaling \$6,840,647 in the Town Fund and \$2,406,206 in the General Assistance Fund, which may be lawfully be used to pay operational expenses and therefore desires by Ordinance to direct the County Clerk to abate a portion of said levies;

THEN ADD THIS PARAGRAPH:

WHEREAS, Township Code 60 ILCS 1 85-65 mandates that Township funds, excluding the township's capital fund, shall not exceed an amount equal to or greater than 2.5 times the annual average expenditure of the previous 3 fiscal years;

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STRIKE AND DELETE: First paragraph, delete the word "Corporate" and substitute the words "Town Fund".