

Maine Township Board Meeting September 22, 2020

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This meeting will be conducted by audio or video conference without a physically present quorum of the Maine Township Board because of a disaster declaration related to COVID-19 public health concerns affecting the Township, pursuant to Senate Bill 2135. The Township Supervisor has determined that an in-person meeting at the Township building with all participants is not practical or prudent because of the disaster. Township officials and legal counsel will not be physically present at the Township building, if that is unfeasible due to the disaster. Physical public attendance at the Township building may be limited or not feasible, so alternative arrangements for public access to hear the meeting are available here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84054447594>. To obtain password to connect to this meeting, please call Richard Lyon at 224-257-4869 prior to 6:00 p.m. on September 22, 2020. The meeting will also be audio or video recorded and made available to the public, as provided by law.

Board Members Present and other Elected Officials: Trustees: Jones, Carrabotta, McKenzie and Sweeney, Clerk Gialamas, Assessor Moylan Krey and Highway Commissioner Kazmierczak

Others in Attendance: Keri-Lyn Krafthefer, Dayna Berman, Doriene Prorak, Richard Lyon, Earl Wilson, Alicia Bailey and Wiesia Tytko

Clerk Gialamas announced that Supervisor Morask was not present. He called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the roll.

Clerk Gialamas asked for a motion to select Acting Chairman.

Trustee Carrabotta	Motion to nominate Trustee McKenzie as Acting Chairman for the September 22, 2020 Board meeting.
Trustee Sweeney	Second.
Motion on a roll call vote as follows:	
Supervisor Morask	Absent
Trustee Jones	Absent at this moment
Trustee McKenzie	Yes
Trustee Carrabotta	Yes
Trustee Sweeney	Yes
Motion carried.	

Agenda Item: Approval of Minutes of August 25, 2020 Bill Pay Review

Trustee Jones	Motion to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the August 25, 2020 Bill Pay Review.
Trustee Sweeney	Second.
Motion on a roll call vote as follows:	
Supervisor Morask	Absent
Trustee Jones	Yes
Trustee McKenzie	Yes
Trustee Carrabotta	Yes
Trustee Sweeney	Yes
Motion carried.	

Agenda Item: Approval of Minutes of August 25, 2020 Board Meeting

Trustee Jones Motion to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the August 25, 2020 Board Meeting.

Trustee Sweeney Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Absent

Trustee Jones Yes

Trustee McKenzie Yes

Trustee Carrabotta Yes

Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of General Assistance Expenditures

Payrolls dated September 4, 2020 and September 18, 2020 and General Assistance checks #52930 through check #52972 in the amount of \$48,016.48.

Supervisor Carrabotta Motion to approve.

Trustee Jones Second

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Absent

Trustee Jones Yes

Trustee McKenzie Yes

Trustee Carrabotta Yes

Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of Road District Expenditures

Payrolls dated September 4, 2020 and September 18, 2020 and Road District checks #21504 through check #21536 in the amount of \$59,925.04.

Trustee Sweeney Motion to approve.

Trustee Carrabotta Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Absent

Trustee Jones Yes

Trustee McKenzie Yes

Trustee Carrabotta Yes

Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of General Town Fund Expenditures

Payrolls dated September 4, 2020 and September 18, 2020 and General Town Fund checks #58013 through check #58060 in the amount of \$303,902.53.

Trustee Jones Motion to approve.

Trustee Carrabotta Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Absent

Trustee Jones Yes

Trustee McKenzie Yes

Trustee Carrabotta Yes

Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: New Business, Discussion and Vote on Resolution 2020 for Additional Interim Moneys to be Immediately Paid to the Agencies Previously Approved for Funding in December 2019-Additional Supplemental Coronavirus

See video at 48:42.

Trustee McKenzie stated that Trustee Carrabotta provided the Board with the Resolution and asked for discussion and approval.

Trustee Carrabotta read out loud the Resolution 2020-3.

Trustee Carrabotta	Motion to adopt the Resolution 2020-3, A Resolution for Additional Interim Moneys to be Immediately Paid to the Agencies Previously Approved for Funding in December 2019 – Additional Supplemental Corona Virus Relief.
Trustee Sweeney	Second.

Discussion.

After discussion Trustee Carrabotta and the Board agreed to some changes in the proposed Resolution 2020-3.

Trustee Carrabotta	Motion to amend the previous motion to adopt Resolution 2020-3 with changing the pay-out from \$43,500 to \$22,000 and make a correction on page 3, changing December 16, 2020 to December 16, 2019.
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Trustee Sweeney	Second.
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Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: New Business, Discussion of Public Participation Policy

See video at 1:14:54.

Trustee McKenzie stated that the Maine Township Rules for Public Participation at Board Meeting adopted on September 27, 2016 were included in the Board distribution. She added that this evening Trustee Sweeney emailed her proposed Rules for Public Participation at Board Meeting to the Board.

Trustee Sweeney stated that several residents have reached out to her in regards said rules and she asked the Board for discussion on her proposed rules.

Trustee McKenzie stated that she needs more time to thoroughly look over the proposed changes for said rules and suggested to discuss it at the next Board meeting.

Trustee McKenzie	Motion to table the discussion of the proposed Rules for Public Participation at Board Meeting until everybody review the proposed rules.
Trustee Jones	Second.

Trustee Sweeney stated that this subject could be discussed at this meeting but agreed to postponed it to the next meeting and asked that her proposed Rules for Public Participation at Board Meeting be added to this meeting's board distribution and to be attached to the minutes. See attached.

Trustee McKenzie Motion to amend the previous motion to table the discussion of the proposed Rules for Public Participation at Board Meeting until everybody's review and to be voted at the October 27th Board meeting.

Trustee Jones Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Absent

Trustee Jones Yes

Trustee McKenzie Yes

Trustee Carrabotta Yes

Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: New Business, LexisNexis Payment Solutions Service Agreement

See video at 1:23:37.

Richard Lyon, MaineStay Director stated that service agreement from LexisNexis was included in the Board distribution. He explained that LexisNexis is offering a completely free solution to accept credit/debit card payments for MaineStay therapy appointments or group programs. Revenue generated by this payment method would be automatically deposited into the Maine Township bank account. Mr. Lyon stated that if any other department wanted to accept credit card payments in the future, this can also be set up for no additional cost.

Trustee Carrabotta Motion to adopt the LexisNexis VitalCheck Network, Inc. Payment Solutions Service Agreement as presented to the Board.

Trustee Sweeney Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Absent

Trustee Jones Yes

Trustee McKenzie Yes

Trustee Carrabotta Yes

Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Personnel
None.

Agenda Item: Public Participation
None.

Agenda Item: Old Business, Discussion and Vote for the purchase of a Tent to be used for Outdoor Programs

See video at 1:27:18.

Trustee McKenzie stated that the Outdoor Tent Quotes from various companies were provided by Marie Dachniwsky for possible purchasing of a tent for outdoor programs.

Administrator Berman stated that soon the events won't be held outside due to the change in weather. She suggested to hold off purchasing the tent until spring. She added that it could be more beneficial for the Township not to spend money on purchasing the tent at this time. She added that prior to storing these tents for the winter they need to be properly cleaned and dried and it could be difficult to store such a big tent in the Township's building.

Discussion.

Trustee Carrabotta	Motion to table the discussion on purchasing a tent to be used for outdoor programs until further motion by the Board.
Trustee Sweeney	Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Old Business, Compensation for Elected Officials for Next Election Term

See video at 1:33:58.

Trustee McKenzie stated that Supervisor Morask asked to be included in the discussion regarding the Compensation for Elected Officials for Next Election Term.

Trustee Jones	Motion to table the discussion on Compensation for Elected Officials for Next Election Term to the next Board meeting.
Trustee Carrabotta	Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Officials' Reports and Questions

See video at 1:34:44.

Trustee Sweeney stated it is very important that the Maine Township staff feels safe in the Town Hall building and that the temperature is checked for all employees. She suggested that all employees be asked three questions regarding symptoms for Covid-19 when entering the building.

Administrator Berman explained all procedures that are implemented in the Township building to provide a safe facility for staff and residents.

Trustee Sweeney asked questions regarding September Warnings and Tickets issued referring to Nader Ghazaleh, Code Enforcement Officer monthly report. She stated that she is disappointed to see in his report that our residents leave huge amounts of garbage, debris and electronics outside homes.

Discussion regarding these issues, Republic Services and Refuse and Yard Waste tags that can be purchased in the Maine Township Clerk's office.

Trustee Carrabotta pointed out that Donna Adam and her Clean Up-Give Back non-for-profit organization cleans our Maine Township community.

Trustee Carrabotta stated that he attended the 2020 TOCC Conference which was a great meeting. He would like to remind our residents that area churches and schools are open and the Maine Township Board is here for all township residents. Trustee Carrabotta thanked the Board for passing his proposed 2020-3 Resolution.

Trustee Jones stated that she attended the MaineStreamers Drive In Concerts on August 26th featuring John Michael Coppola & Kara Kesselring and on September 9th featuring Rosie & The Rivets held on the Maine Township parking lot. She congratulated and thanked Marie, Monika, Oksana and Therese for keeping our seniors healthy and entertained.

Trustee Sweeney added that Donna Adam received Governor's recognition award.

Agenda Item: Closed Session
None.

Agenda Item: Adjournment

Trustee McKenzie Motion to adjourn.
Trustee Carrabotta Second.
All in favor.
Motion carried on a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Maine Township Clerk

MAINE TOWNSHIP

RULES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS

The Maine Township Board has recognized and continues to recognize the great value of public comment, and regards the opportunity for expression of public views on matters of community interest and issues before the Board as a vital part of the Board's deliberations.

"Public Participation" provides individuals with an opportunity to express their comments regarding any subject matter concerning the Township.

The following rules shall override all of the Board's prior public comment policy and shall henceforth apply to any and all public comment during Maine Township's open public meetings:

1. Members of the public shall be permitted to address the Maine Township Board during the portion of each meeting designated on the meeting agenda as "public participation."
2. "Public participation" will be noted on the agenda in two locations:
 - after the approval of expenditures
 - after each agenda item in new and old business

**The "public participation" opportunity after each agenda item will be noted with an asterisk.*
3. Public comment speakers shall state their name and address and spell their name if requested.
4. Each person presenting during a "public participation" after the vote on expenditures is limited to 5 minutes. Each person speaking on a specific agenda item will be limited to 3 minutes. At the discretion of the Board, a person may be allowed to speak beyond the allotted time. This allows the Board fair consideration of public comments prior to taking Board action.
5. Comments are to be presented from the podium, if in person, in a civil matter with comments to be focused, courteous, and orderly, and with appropriate behavior, as deemed by the Board. Any person who engages in threatening, slanderous, or disorderly behavior shall be deemed out of order by the Supervisor.
6. Any person who violates these rules may have their public comment presentation terminated and may also be duly removed from the meeting at the discretion of the Board.
7. Any comments may be submitted in writing or emailed for Board distribution to:
 - Maine Township
 - 1700 Ballard Rd.
 - Park Ridge, IL 60068
 - Attn: Administrator

or

 - Dayna Berman: dberman@mainetown.com

*Comments, if requested, can be read aloud at the meeting.

ADOPTED by the Board of Trustees of Maine Township, Illinois this _____ day of _____, 2020.

LAURA J. MORASK, Supervisor

KIMBERLY JONES, Trustee

CLAIRE McKENZIE, Trustee

DAVID A. CARRABOTTA, Trustee

SUSAN KELLY SWEENEY, Trustee

Attest:

PETER GIALAMAS, CLERK