

Maine Township Board Meeting June 24, 2025

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Board Members Present and other Elected Officials: Supervisor Jones, Trustees: Horvath, Maher, Malik, Lynch, Clerk Gialamas, Assessor Moylan Krey and Highway Commissioner Beauvais.

Others in Attendance: Attorney Megan A. Mack, Vicki Rizzo, Ruba Al Ayed, Liz Coy, Marie Dachniwsky, Luz Meneses, Robert Flinn, Marty McAlphin, Marty Cook, Mike Samaan, Nader Ghazaleh, Richard Lyon, Michael Pitzafferro, Grant Vreuls, Macade Thorpe and Eva Magnowski.

Supervisor Jones called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., led the Pledge of Allegiance and Clerk Gialamas called the roll.

Agenda Item: Approval of Minutes of May 27, 2025 Board Meeting

Trustee Horvath Motion to waive the reading and approve minutes of the May 27, 2025 Board Meeting.

Trustee Malik Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Jones Yes

Trustee Horvath Yes

Trustee Maher Yes

Trustee Malik Yes

Trustee Lynch Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of General Assistance Expenditures

Payrolls dated June 6, 2025 and June 20, 2025 and General Assistance checks #55753 through check #55768, and checks #57500 through check #57514 in the amount of \$47,026.88.

Trustee Horvath Motion to approve.

Trustee Malik Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Jones Yes

Trustee Horvath Yes

Trustee Maher Yes

Trustee Malik Yes

Trustee Lynch Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of Road District Expenditures

Payrolls dated June 6, 2025 and June 20, 2025, 2025 and Road District check #23981, and checks #25400 through check #25432 through in the amount of \$162,336.73.

Trustee Lynch Motion to approve.

Trustee Malik Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Jones Yes

Trustee Horvath Yes

Trustee Maher Yes

Trustee Malik Yes

Trustee Lynch Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of General Town Fund Expenditures

Payrolls dated June 6, 2025 and June 20, 2025, and General Town Fund checks #61960 through Check #61962, and checks #62700 through check #62762 in the amount of \$339,414.28.

Trustee Maher	Motion to approve.
Trustee Lynch	Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Jones	Yes
Trustee Horvath	Yes
Trustee Maher	Yes
Trustee Malik	Yes
Trustee Lynch	Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Public Participation  
None.

Agenda Item: New Business, 2025 Annual Financial Report / Lauterbach & Amen

See video at 3:44

Macade Thorpe, Audit Manager from Lauterbach & Amen, LLP, presented the Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending February 28, 2025, to the Board, accompanied by a Management Letter addressing both current and previous recommendations. Mr. Thorpe commended the finance department for their meticulous preparation of the audit package and expressed his appreciation for the support and courtesy extended by the entire Township staff to the auditors.

The Board thanked Mr. Thorpe for the presentation.

Agenda Item: New Business, Proclamation Remembering Honorable Rosemary Argus

See video at 15:15

Supervisor Jones read aloud the Proclamation in Memory of the Honorable Rosemary Argus, who devoted many years to the Des Plaines City Council and served as the Executive Director of the Des Plaines Community Foundation for three decades. Her efforts to enhance the community's quality of life were well recognized. As a resident of Des Plaines, she was known for her extensive volunteer work and her unwavering support for local parks and park districts, earning deep respect from the community.

The Board officials signed the proclamation in honor of Mrs. Argus.

Agenda Item: New Business, Proclamation Honoring the Park Ridge Garden Club

See video at 18:15

Supervisor Jones read aloud the Proclamation Honoring the Park Ridge Garden Club. Established in 1929 and incorporated as a 501(c)(3) in 2013, the Park Ridge Garden Club aims to stimulate an interest in gardening, conduct meetings for members to learn, and beautify Park Ridge. Judy Schimmel, Janice Williams, and Nadine Burke have generously donated their time and skills to plant fresh produce, care for the soil and plants, tend to the garden, harvest the produce, and share their gardening knowledge with the maintenance staff.

The Board officials signed this proclamation as well.

Agenda Item: Old Business, Discussion and Possible Vote on M3 Marketing Contract

See video at 22:27

Supervisor Jones mentioned that some minor edits were made to the M3 Marketing Contract and asked the Board to vote on it.

Trustee Lynch	Motion to approve the M3 Marketing contract for the next four years.
Trustee Maher	Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Jones	Yes
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Trustee Horvath	Yes
Trustee Maher	Yes
Trustee Malik	Yes
Trustee Lynch	Yes

Motion carried.

The Board thanked Robert Flinn and Marty McAlphin for the good job.

Agenda Item: Old Business, Appointment and Vote Ethics Ordinance: Ethics Advisor & Discussion of Three Member Appointees

See video at 24:40

Discussion regarding the appointment of three candidates to serve on the Maine Township Ethics Commission. The Board officials recommended: Imad Achmar, Kristy or Art Graceau, Edward Eicker, Rene Mandin, Laura J. Morask, and Steve Sanders.

Trustee Lynch	Motion to approve Imad Achmar, Laura J. Morask, and Steve Sanders to serve on the Maine Township's Ethics Commission.
Trustee Malik	Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Jones	Yes
Trustee Horvath	Yes
Trustee Maher	Yes
Trustee Malik	Yes
Trustee Lynch	Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Old Business, Discussion and Vote on Notice of Appointment of Authorized IMRF Agent and approval of Resolution 2025-7

See video at 28:15

Trustee Horvath	Motion to approve Notice of Appointment of Authorized IMRF Agent - Resolution 2025-7.
Trustee Maher	Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Jones	Yes
Trustee Horvath	Yes
Trustee Maher	Yes
Trustee Malik	Yes
Trustee Lynch	Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Officials' Reports

Assessor Krey reported that her team is actively engaged in submitting property tax appeals to the Cook County Assessor. She expressed sincere appreciation for the invaluable assistance received from the Maine Township Staff throughout this process and extended her gratitude to all involved.

Commissioner Beauvais acknowledged the hard work of his Staff, particularly Dawne Hayman and Marissa Vigna, for their efforts in obtaining Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity Grant (DCEO) and Motor Fuel Tax Fund Grant (MFT) grants. He highlighted several upcoming events in July, including the Fourth of July parades in Niles and Des Plaines, the Taste of Park Ridge on the weekend of July 12<sup>th</sup>, and the Touch-A-Truck at Chick-fil-A Golf Mill on July 19<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Beauvais encouraged those interested in volunteering at the main beverage tent during the Taste of Park Ridge to participate.

Clerk Gialamas paid his respects to longtime Niles Township Clerk Charles Levy, who passed away last week. He noted that Clerk Levy had assisted him multiple times during his transition from trustee to clerk, and mentioned that they had served together on several different committees.

Trustee Lynch highlighted the work of Summer Zumbrock, noting that Maine Township partners with District 63 to provide counseling services to children who might not otherwise have access to therapy. Trustee Lynch was particularly moved by the story of a child who experienced early trauma and

received support from the staff. She emphasized that the Maine Township staff is making a significant impact throughout the community and expressed her sincere gratitude for their dedication.

Trustee Malik expressed his sincere appreciation to the Maine Township staff for their hard work. He took the opportunity to remind everyone about two upcoming events: the Pakistan Festival is on August 16<sup>th</sup> and the India Festival on August 17<sup>th</sup>.

Trustee Maher commended Director Michael Pitzafferro and his team for their remarkable service, highlighting their assistance to 1,600 individuals through 866 household visits within a single month. He expressed gratitude for their outstanding contributions and hard work. Also, Trustee Maher encouraged them to ensure they have the necessary support and adequate staffing levels, both full-time and part-time. Additionally, Trustee Maher highlighted MaineStay Director Richard Lyons' report, which indicated that nine new programs had been established in the past month. He expressed admiration for Richard Lyon and his department for their exceptional accomplishments, underscoring the importance of their work.

Trustee Horvath shared her experience attending the Morton Grove Pride Celebration. She stated that Trustee Lynch connected her with the event's organizers, who invited her to speak on behalf of Maine Township. It was a wonderful celebration with a lot of people in attendance. Emily Toomey provided valuable information regarding the programs offered by the township, and Trustee Horvath noted the positive responses from the community.

Supervisor Jones reported that she attended the Morton Grove Pride, the Taste of Des Plaines, and Park Ridge Market After Dark. Supervisor Jones commended the Highway Department and the OEM Department for their outstanding work throughout the week and volunteering after hours and on weekends. She expressed deep gratitude for the dedication of all Maine Township employees. Their commitment to the Maine Township community is clear, as many employees willingly and generously provide their services beyond what is required. In addition, Supervisor Jones reminded everyone about the upcoming Neighborhood Watch meeting, which takes place on the first Wednesday of every month. She extended her best wishes for a happy and safe Fourth of July to all.

For more detailed Officials' Reports see the video at 29:00

Agenda Item: Closed/Executive Session for the purpose of discussing: (1) security procedures, and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public, or public property; (2) discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; (3) litigation which is probable or imminent.

Trustee Horvath	Closed/Executive Session for the purpose of discussing: (1) security procedures, and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public, or public property; (2) discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; (3) litigation which is probable or imminent.
Trustee Malik	Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Jones	Yes
Trustee Horvath	Yes
Trustee Maher	Yes
Trustee Malik	Yes
Trustee Lynch	Yes

Motion carried.

The Board re-convened in an Open Session at 8:19 p.m.

Agenda Item: Discussion and Possible Vote on Security and Access Control Agreements  
See video at 41:20

Trustee Horvath	Motion to approve the security and access control contract with Procom Enterprises LTD.
Trustee Lynch	Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Jones	Yes
Trustee Horvath	Yes
Trustee Maher	Yes
Trustee Malik	Yes
Trustee Lynch	Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Possible Vote on Separation Agreement  
See video at 42:24

Trustee Malik	Motion to approve the separation agreement.
Trustee Lynch	Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Jones	Yes
Trustee Horvath	Yes
Trustee Maher	Yes
Trustee Malik	Yes
Trustee Lynch	Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Discussion and Possible Vote on Independent Contractor – Recovery Connection Support Specialist  
See video at 42:45

Trustee Horvath	Motion to hire Independent Contractor – Recovery Connection Support Specialist.
Trustee Lynch	Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Jones	Yes
Trustee Horvath	Yes
Trustee Maher	Yes
Trustee Malik	Yes
Trustee Lynch	Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Adjournment

Trustee Malik	Motion to adjourn.
Trustee Maher	Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Jones	Yes
Trustee Horvath	Yes
Trustee Maher	Yes
Trustee Malik	Yes
Trustee Lynch	Yes

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

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Maine Township Clerk