

**MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF
TRUSTEES OF THORNTON TOWNSHIP
HELD VIA TELECONFERENCE#: 1 (786) 535-3211 ACCESS CODE: 136-855-837
DUE TO COVID-19 (SOCIAL DISTANCE MANDATE)**

April 13, 2021

Thornton Township Supervisor Zuccarelli called the Thornton Township Board of Trustees Meeting to order at 8:25pm. Clerk Rivera called the roll.

PRESENT: Supervisor Frank M. Zuccarelli (via call from Thornton Township Boardroom) Trustees Joyce M. Washington, Gerald “Jerry” Jones, Trustee Norbert Cipowski and Trustee Stafford Owens.

ALSO, PRESENT: Clerk Jacqueline E Davis-Rivera, Assessor Cassandra Elston, Highway Commissioner Geary DePue and Attorney Stanley T. Kusper Jr.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, are public comments:

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Troy O’Quin wanted to thank everyone for the opportunity to be part of the Township and that its been a honor and fun journey for the last 6 years. He thanks Supervisor Zuccarelli, all of the Trustees, and Clerk Jacki Rivera. Supervisor Zuccarelli thanked Troy for all of his hard work and says he appreciates him.

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS:

Supervisor Zuccarelli entertained a motion to approve the Tentative Budget for General Fund. The motion was made by Trustee Jones, seconded by Trustee Washington. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Zuccarelli asked Clerk Rivera to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

YES:	5	Trustees Washington, Jones, Cipowski, Owens and Supervisor Zuccarelli
NO:	0	None
ABSENT:	0	

There being four affirmative votes, the motion carried.

Supervisor Zuccarelli entertained a motion to approve the Tentative Budget for General Assistance Fund. The motion was made by Trustee Washington, seconded by Trustee Jones. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Zuccarelli asked Clerk Rivera to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

YES:	5	Trustees Washington, Jones, Cipowski, Owens and Supervisor Zuccarelli
NO:	0	None
ABSENT:	0	

There being four affirmative votes, the motion carried.

Supervisor Zuccarelli entertained a motion to approve the Tentative Budget for Road and Bridge Fund. The motion was made by Trustee Cipowski, seconded by Trustee Owens. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Zuccarelli asked Clerk Rivera to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

YES:	5	Trustees Washington, Jones, Cipowski, Owens and Supervisor Zuccarelli
NO:	0	None
ABSENT:	0	

There being four affirmative votes, the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Supervisor Zuccarelli entertained a motion to approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on March 23, 2021 at 8:00pm. The motion was made by Trustee Cipowski, seconded by Trustee Jones. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Zuccarelli asked Clerk Rivera to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

YES:	<u>4</u>	Trustees Washington, Jones, Cipowski and Supervisor Zuccarelli
NO:	<u>0</u>	None
ABSENT:	<u>1</u>	Trustee Owens

There being four affirmative votes, **the motion carried.**

OLD BUSINESS:

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Supervisor Zuccarelli entertained a motion to approve the Bills of the General Fund as presented to the Board for payment. The motion was made by Trustee Jones, seconded by Trustee Cipowski. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Zuccarelli asked Clerk Rivera to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

YES: 5 Trustees Washington, Jones, Cipowski, Owens and Supervisor Zuccarelli
NO: 0 None
ABSENT: 0

There being five affirmative votes, **the motion carried.**

Supervisor Zuccarelli entertained a motion to approve the Bills of the General Assistance Fund as presented to the Board for payment. The motion was made by Trustee Owens, seconded by Trustee Jones. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Zuccarelli asked Clerk Rivera to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

YES: 5 Trustees Washington, Jones, Cipowski, Owens and Supervisor Zuccarelli
NO: 0 None
ABSENT: 0

There being five affirmative votes, **the motion carried.**

Supervisor Zuccarelli entertained a motion to approve the Bills of the Road and Bridge Fund as presented to the Board for payment. The motion was made by Trustee Owens, seconded by Trustee Washington. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Zuccarelli asked Clerk Rivera to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

YES: 5 Trustees Washington, Jones, Cipowski, Owens and Supervisor Zuccarelli
NO: 0 None
ABSENT: 0

There being five affirmative votes, **the motion carried.**

RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Supervisor Zuccarelli entertained a motion to ratify the phone poll approving Community Development Block Grant Project 1708-076 to award a contract for the Riverdale Project. The motion was made by Trustee Washington, seconded by Trustee Jones. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Zuccarelli asked Clerk Rivera to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

YES: 5 Trustees Washington, Jones, Cipowski, Owens and Supervisor Zuccarelli
NO: 0 None
ABSENT: 0

There being five affirmative votes, **the motion carried.**

Supervisor Zuccarelli entertained a motion to Schedule Public Hearing for General Fund and General Assistance Fund Budget on Tuesday May 25,2021 at 7:00PM. The motion was made by Trustee Washington, seconded by Trustee Owens. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Zuccarelli asked Clerk Rivera to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

YES: 5 Trustees Washington, Jones, Cipowski, Owens and Supervisor Zuccarelli
NO: 0 None
ABSENT: 0

There being five affirmative votes, **the motion carried.**

Supervisor Zuccarelli entertained a motion to Schedule Public Hearing for Road and Bridge Fund Budget on Tuesday May 25,2021 at 7:30PM. The motion was made by Trustee Jones, seconded by Trustee Cipowski. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Zuccarelli asked Clerk Rivera to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

YES: 5 Trustees Washington, Jones, Cipowski, Owens and Supervisor Zuccarelli
NO: 0 None
ABSENT: 0

There being five affirmative votes, **the motion carried.**

PERSONNEL: **NONE**

RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS/TERMINATIONS: **None**

TRANSFER/PROMOTION/STATUS CHANGE: None

APPOINTMENT/NEW HIRE:

Supervisor Zuccarelli entertained a motion to approve status change from Part-Time to Full-Time Mechanic Mike Green effective April 5,2021 . The motion was made by Trustee Owens, seconded by Trustee Washington. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Zuccarelli asked Clerk Rivera to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

YES: 5 Trustees Washington, Jones, Cipowski, Owens and Supervisor Zuccarelli
NO: 0 None
ABSENT: 0

There being five affirmative votes, **the motion carried.**

CLOSED SESSION: None

ACTIONS TO FOLLOW CLOSED SESSION: None

MISCELLANEOUS:

Trustee Washington expressed her appreciation to our Attorney Stanley T. Kuser for his years of service and dedication. Trustee Washington reads off the list of Birthdays for the month of April and wishes everyone a Happy Birthday. Brunu Sheppard reads a letter of commendment addressed to the Clerk for Deputy Clerk Kiea and her great customer service skills. Mike Green takes the time to thank the board for approval of his status change.

Supervisor Zuccarelli entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Trustee Washington, seconded by Trustee Jones. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Zuccarelli asked Clerk Rivera to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

YES: 5 Trustees Washington, Jones, Cipowski, Owens and Supervisor Zuccarelli
NO: 0 None
ABSENT: 0

There being five affirmative votes, **the motion carried.**

The Meeting of the Board of Trustees adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Supervisor Frank M. Zuccarelli

Trustee Joyce M. Washington

Trustee Norbert Cipowski

Trustee Gerald "Jerry" Jones

Trustee Stafford Owens

Clerk Jacqueline E. Davis-Rivera