

**MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF  
TRUSTEES OF THORNTON TOWNSHIP HALL  
333 E 162<sup>nd</sup> ST, SOUTH HOLLAND, IL 60473**

**July 18, 2023**

Thornton Township Supervisor Henyard called the Thornton Township Board of Trustees Meeting to order at 6:15pm. Supervisor Henyard asked Clerk Loretta Wells to call the roll.

**PRESENT:** Trustees Darlene Gray-Everett, Gonzalez, Jones, and Supervisor Tiffany Henyard.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Clerk Loretta Wells, Highway Commissioner Geary DePue, Assessor Cassandra Elston (via teleconference) and Attorney Eric Stach

**Absent:** Trustee Carmen Carlisle

Supervisor Henyard entertained a motion for Trustee Carmen Carlisle to participate in the meeting via teleconference. The motion was made by Trustee Gray-Everett and seconded by Trustee Jones. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Henyard asked Clerk Wells to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

**YES:** 4 Trustees Gray-Everett, Gonzalez, Jones, and Supervisor Henyard

**ABSENT:** 1 Trustee Carlisle

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

**Trustee Carlisle entered the meeting, via teleconference, at 6:16pm.**

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the first item on the agenda was Public Comments.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**Michael Smith of Riverdale, Ill,** congratulated the Supervisor and the Board for the great events that the Township has going on: the scholarship program, the Youth Conference-dealing with mental health and stepper set. Although the steppers set has some difficulties with parking the Supervisor and Board took care of it and made sure the residents got to the event in a great fashion. Mr. Smith also mentions that he has been seeing a lot of reports from the media and he has reached out to the media regarding one issue. We have an elected official that sits here in an incompatible seat. As a taxpayer and resident of Thornton Township, he will be filing paperwork on it. Because the Attorney General Office deems the seat incompatible. Mr. Smith continues to say that the news media is always talking about the negative things and should be talking about the good things that Thornton Township is doing. He sees his tax dollars going to good use and says we all should be supporting the initiatives that Thornton Township is doing. He hopes that all the Trustees get on board. Mr. Smith congratulates the board again and tells them to keep up the good work!

**REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Supervisor Henyard entertained a motion to approve minutes of the Board Meeting held June 20, 2023, at 6:00pm. The motion was made by Trustee Jones and seconded by Trustee Gray-Everett. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Henyard asked Clerk Wells to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

**YES:**            5       Trustees Gray-Everett, Carlisle, Gonzalez, Jones, and Supervisor Henyard

**NO:**             0

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

**OLD BUSINESS:     NONE**

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

Supervisor Henyard entertained a motion to approve the bills of the General Fund as presented to the Board for payment. The motion was made by Trustee Gray-Everett and seconded by Trustee Jones. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Henyard asked Clerk Wells to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

**YES:**            4       Trustees Gray-Everett, Carlisle, Jones, and Supervisor Henyard

**NO:**             1       Trustee Gonzalez

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

Supervisor Henyard entertained a motion to approve the bills of the General Assistant Fund as presented to the Board for payment. The motion was made by Trustee Jones and seconded by Trustee Gray-Everett. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Henyard asked Clerk Wells to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

**YES:**            4       Trustees Gray-Everett, Carlisle, Jones, and Supervisor Henyard

**NO:**             1       Trustee Gonzalez

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

Supervisor Henyard 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 Gray-Everett and seconded by Trustee Gonzalez. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Henyard asked Clerk Wells to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

**YES:**            5       Trustees Gray-Everett, Carlisle, Gonzalez, Jones, and Supervisor Henyard

**NO:**             0

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

**RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS: None**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Clerk Loretta Wells made mention about the Upcoming Illinois State Fair. The Illinois State Treasurer is having an appreciation picnic down in Springfield, IL from 12pm-2pm on August 19, 2023.

**SUPERVISOR REPORT:**

Supervisor Henyard gives an overview of all the awesome current and past events and Thanks Everyone.

- D.I.P Calumet City – July 14, 2023
- D.I.P South Holland – July 21, 2023, 4pm-7pm
- Food Pantry in Harvey (Food Grill) – July 26, 2023, 10am-5pm
  - Supervisor Henyard: Keep Trustee Jerry Jones in your prayers.
- Senior Tech Savvy Class- July 27, 2023, 11am-1pm Main Building Lower Level
- Big Bingo – July 27, 2023, Main Building Lower Level
- D.I.P Harvey – July 28, 2023, 4pm-7pm
- Gas Giveaways are coming back starting with South Holland and Harvey
- The Township is Hiring, apply online at [Thorntontownship.com](http://Thorntontownship.com).
- Back to School Giveaway and Slime Fest – August 5, 2023
  - Bookbag Giveaways
  - Food Boxes
  - Fire Truck/Department
- Please Register for All Events
- Calumet City Senior Cruise Trip
- Taste of Thornton Township – August 26, 2023
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Please Join us! If anyone wants to join or register for any events or has any questions call the Township at (773) 596-6040 ext. 3325. If you have any questions about any events please call Executive Assistant, Joslyn King (773) 771-1523.

**PERSONNEL:**

**RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS/TERMINATIONS: None**

**TRANSFER/PROMOTION/STATUS CHANGE: None**

**APPOINTMENT/NEW HIRE: None**

**MISCELLANEOUS: None**

Supervisor Henyard entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Trustee Gray-Everett, seconded by Trustee Jones. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Henyard asked Clerk Wells to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

**YES:**           5           Trustees Gray-Everett, Carlisle, Gonzalez, Jones, and Supervisor Henyard

**ABSENT:**       0

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

The Meeting of the Board of Trustees was adjourned at 6:49pm.