

**MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF
TRUSTEES OF THORNTON TOWNSHIP HALL
333 E 162nd St SOUTH HOLLAND, IL 60473**

October 10, 2023

Thornton Township Supervisor Henyard called the Thornton Township Board of Trustees Meeting to order at 6:18pm. Supervisor Henyard asked Deputy Clerk Sawe to call the roll.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Deputy Clerk Kierra Sawe, Highway Commissioner Geary DePue, and Attorney Tiffany Jaworski-Nelson

ABSENT: Clerk Loretta Wells, Assessor Cassandra Elston

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Dolton Resident, Charles Rayburn, speaks about house flippers in the Colleen Burg properties at 127 North Maryum, Oak Park, IL. He indicated that they are laughing at everyone because they claim that no one's going to do anything because they want the permit money. Mr. Rayburn says that they are flipping houses just long enough to go through with closings then the homeowners are stuck with new things that aren't working properly. He also indicated that he has sent documents to Keith Freeman and asks for Supervisor Henyard's help.

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Supervisor Henyard entertained a motion to approve minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held September 26, 2023, at 6:00pm. The motion was made by Trustee Jones and seconded by Trustee Carlisle. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Henyard asked Deputy Clerk Sawe 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:

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 Carlisle and seconded by Trustee Gray-Everett. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Henyard asked Deputy Clerk Sawe 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 Gray-Everett and seconded by Trustee Jones. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Henyard asked Deputy Clerk Sawe 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 Carlisle and seconded by Trustee Gray-Everett. Supervisor Henyard mentions taking a trip to Springfield and mentions that her and the board members received Grants for the Residents. Supervisor also thanks Highway Commissioner Geary DePue on the things he got accomplished and for pushing to get work done. There being no further questions or comments, Supervisor Henyard asked Deputy Clerk Sawe 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:

Supervisor Henyard entertained a motion to ratify phone poll conducted on August 25, 2023, for approval of Bills. The motion was made by Trustee Jones and seconded by Trustee Gray-Everett. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Henyard asked Deputy Clerk Sawe 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.**

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Supervisor Henyard ask Board Members if they have anything to say
Supervisor Henyard gives an overview of all past and upcoming events from the month of September/October 2023.

Past Events:

- FEMA - September 23, 2023, 12pm-5pm
(The walk and talk with FEMA were successful)
- Senior Health Fair – September 23, 2023 (Successful Event)
- Harvest and Fall Party – September 29, 2023(Successful Event)
- Supervisor Henyard give thanks to Township Employees
- JB Skate A Thon Successful Event – Sept 30th, 5pm-10pm held at 14312 Greenwood Ave in Dolton, IL
Plans to rent out space to residents for events.
- Fresh Food Giveaway – October 7, 2023
- FEMA – October 11-12, 2023, 5pm-8pm (Lower level of main building)

Upcoming Events:

- Turkey and Ham Giveaway – October 11-12, 2023
- Christmas Toy Registration – October 10, 2023- October 12, 2023, 11am-1pm and 5pm-8pm
- Cancer Walk – October 14, 2023, registration starts @10am
Supervisor Henyard gives a short story of her mother’s battle with Cancer.
- Township Talk - October 17, 2023
- Soup and Salad Bar for Residents
- Big Bingo – October 19th
- Tech Savvy Class – October 26,2023, 11am, -1pm (lower level of main building)
- Frank M. Zuccarelli’s Birthday – October 30th, Township CLOSED
- Halloween Event – October 31, 2023 @Melanie Fitness
- Safe Haven @Doltons polices station #2, 12pm-5pm

Please Join us! If anyone wants to join or register for any events or have any questions call the Township at (773) 596-6040 ext. 3325.

For the Record:

Supervisor Henyard Declared Thornton Township a National Disaster due to major flooding on September 15, 2023.

PERSONNEL:

RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS/TERMINATIONS: None

TRANSFER/PROMOTION/STATUS CHANGE: None

APPOINTMENT/NEW HIRE:

None

MISCELLANEOUS:

Supervisor Henyard entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Trustee Gray-Everett, seconded by Trustee Carlisle. There being no questions or comments, Supervisor Henyard asked Deputy Clerk Sawe 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 adjourned at 6:42pm.

X

Carmen Carlsile
Trustee

X

Darelene Gray-Everett
Trustee

X

Gerald "Jerry" Jones
Trustee

X

Christopher Gonzalez
Trustee

X

Loretta Wells
Clerk

X

Tiffany A. Henyard
Supervisor