

**MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF  
TRUSTEES OF THORNTON TOWNSHIP HALL  
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Reconvened from March 1, 2022, Meeting**

**March 3, 2022**

Thornton Township Clerk Loretta Wells called the Thornton Township Reconvened Board of Trustees Meeting to order at 10:55 p.m. Clerk Wells to call the roll.

**PRESENT:** Trustees Gerald “Jerry” Jones, Christopher Gonzalez, Darlene Gray-Everett and Deputy Supervisor Joyce Washington.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Clerk Loretta Wells, Highway Commissioner Geary DePue, Assessor Cassandra Elston, and Attorney Sarie Keller and Attorney James Vasselli

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the first item on the agenda was Closed Session.

Clerk Wells entertained a motion at 10:55pm to go into Closed Session for the purpose to discuss the hiring, discipline, performance, compensation and the dismissal of certain personnel, acquisition of real property, matters pending, probable, or imminent litigation, and consider a person to fill a vacancy of a public office, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(3). The motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Washington, seconded by Trustee Gonzalez. There being no questions or comments, Clerk Wells called the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

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

**NO:** 0 None

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

**The Board entered closed session at 10:56pm.**

**Closed Session ended at 11:14pm.**

Clerk Wells entertained a motion to reconvene from Closed session at 11:14. The motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Washington, seconded by Trustee Gonzalez. There being no questions or comments, Clerk Wells called the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

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

**NO:** 0 None

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

**Action to Follow Closed Session:**

Clerk wells opened the floor for nominations to Fill the vacancy of Township Supervisor by appointment pursuant to 60 ILCS 1/60-5(a) and 60 ILCS 1/60-5(d) and approve the warrant of appointment. Trustee Gonzalez motioned to nominate Assessor Cassandra W. Elston, seconded by Trustee Gray-Everett. Clerk Wells called the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

**YES:** 2 Trustees Gonzalez and Gray-Everett

**PASS:** 2 Trustees Jones, and Deputy Supervisor Washington

There being two affirmative votes, **the motion failed.**

Deputy Supervisor Washington motioned to nominate Trustee Gerald “Jerry” Jones for Township Supervisor, seconded by Trustee Jones. Clerk Wells called the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

**YES:** 2 Trustees Jones, and Deputy Supervisor Washington

**NO:** 3 Trustees Gonzalez, Gray-Everett, and Clerk Loretta Wells

There being three affirmative votes, **the motion failed.**

Trustee Gonzalez motioned to nominate Assessor Cassandra W. Elston; this nomination was overlooked in an ensuing discussion about returning to Closed Session.

Clerk Wells entertained a motion to go into Closed Session for the purpose to discuss the hiring, discipline, performance, compensation and the dismissal of certain personnel, acquisition of real property, matters pending, probable, or imminent litigation, and consider a person to fill a vacancy of a public office, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(3). The motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Washington, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Washington. There being no questions or comments, Clerk Wells called the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

**YES:** 2 Trustees, Gonzalez, Gray-Everett, and

**NO:** 2 Deputy Supervisor Washington Trustee Jones

There being two affirmative votes, **the motion failed.**

Clerk wells opened the floor for nominations to Fill the vacancy of Township Supervisor by appointment pursuant to 60 ILCS 1/60-5(a) and 60 ILCS 1/60-5(d) and approve the warrant of appointment. Trustee Jones motioned to nominate Stanley Brown, no one seconded, **the motion failed.**

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On the Roll Call, the vote was:

**YES:** 3 Trustees, Gonzalez, Gray-Everett, and Deputy Supervisor Washington

**NO:** 1 Trustee Jones

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

**The Board entered closed session at 11:25pm.**

**Closed Session ended at 11:40pm.**

Clerk Wells entertained a motion to reconvene from Closed session at 11:44. The motion was made by Trustee Gray-Everett, seconded by Trustee Gonzalez. There being no questions or comments, Clerk Wells called the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

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

**NO:** 0 None

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

Clerk wells opened the floor for nominations to Fill the vacancy of Township Supervisor by appointment pursuant to 60 ILCS 1/60-5(a) and 60 ILCS 1/60-5(d) and approve the warrant of appointment. Trustee Jones motioned to nominate Terry Wells, seconded by Trustee Washington. Clerk Wells called the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

**YES:** 2 Trustees Jones, and Deputy Supervisor Washington

**PASS:** 2 Trustees Gonzalez and Gray-Everett

There being two affirmative votes, **the motion failed.**

Clerk wells opened the floor for nominations to Fill the vacancy of Township Supervisor by appointment pursuant to 60 ILCS 1/60-5(a) and 60 ILCS 1/60-5(d) and approve the warrant of appointment. Trustee Jones motioned to nominate Napoleon Harris, no one seconded **the motion failed.**

Clerk wells opened the floor for nominations to Fill the vacancy of Township Supervisor by appointment pursuant to 60 ILCS 1/60-5(a) and 60 ILCS 1/60-5(d) and approve the warrant of appointment. Trustee Gonzalez motioned to nominate Assessor Cassandra Elston, seconded by Trustee Gray-Everett. Clerk Wells called the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

**YES:** 2 Trustees Gonzalez and Gray-Everett

**NO:** 1 Deputy Supervisor Washington

**PASS:** 2 Trustees Jones

There being two affirmative votes, **the motion failed.**

Clerk wells opened the floor for nominations to Fill the vacancy of Township Supervisor by appointment pursuant to 60 ILCS 1/60-5(a) and 60 ILCS 1/60-5(d) and approve the warrant of appointment. Trustee Gonzalez motioned to nominate Tiffany Henyard, seconded by Trustee Gray-Everett. Clerk Wells called the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

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

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

The Board of Trustees and Clerk Loretta Wells approved the warrant of appointment, and the Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Tiffany Henyard.

Supervisor Henyard entertained a Motion to adjourn the Meeting of the Board of Trustees. The motion was made by Trustee Jones, seconded by Trustee Gray-Everett. Clerk Wells called the Roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

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

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

The Meeting of the Board of Trustees Adjourned at 11:58pm.

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Joyce M. Washington  
Deputy Supervisor

X

Darelene Gray-Everett  
Trustee

X

Gerald "Jerry" Jones  
Trustee

X

Christopher Gonzalez  
Trustee

X

Loretta Wells  
Clerk

X

Tiffany A. Henyard  
Supervisor