

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

March 14, 2023

Thornton Township Supervisor Henyard called the Thornton Township Board of Trustees Meeting to order at 6:27pm. Supervisor Henyard asked Clerk Loretta Wells to call the roll.

PRESENT: Trustees Christopher Gonzalez, Darlene Gray- Everett, Joyce Washington, and Supervisor Tiffany Henyard.

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk Loretta Wells, Highway Commissioner Geary DePue, and Attorney Tiffany Nelson-Jaworski

ABSENT: Trustee Gerald “Jerry” Jones

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the first item on the agenda was Approval of Minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Supervisor Henyard entertained a motion to approve minutes of Regular Board of Trustees Meeting held February 21, 2023, at 6:00pm. The motion was made by Trustee Gray-Everett and seconded by Trustee Washington. 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 Gonzalez, Gray-Everett, Washington, and Supervisor Henyard

NO: 0 None

ABSENT: 1 Trustee Jones

There being four 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 Supervisor Henyard. Trustee Washington asks if the Board members have been given any consideration for separating the payroll from the bills. Supervisor Henyard says that’s something that can be discussed at the next board meeting. Trustee Gonzalez stated that he emailed a list of items that he wanted invoices for, but he hasn’t received anything. Supervisor Henyard asks Trustee Gonzalez if he has any questions that Finance Director, Robert Hunt can answer. Trustee Gonzalez states that he has a list and would like

to go through it. There being no further questions or comments, Supervisor Henyard asked Clerk Wells to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

- YES:** 3 Trustees Gray-Everett, Washington, and Supervisor Henyard
- NO:** 1 Trustee Gonzalez
- ABSENT:** 1 Trustee Jones

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

Trustee Gonzales entertained a motion to approve General Fund with the exception of line items 4 -13, 14-17, 21-23, 26, 37, 51, 53-62, 65, 66, 81, 105, 107, 122, 123-132, 135, 140, 145, 153-164, 165, 166, 171, 183, 184, 191, 192, 194, 196, 197-206, 207-210, 211-120, 13, 16, 17, 18, 190, 2020-225, 226, 227-233, 234-250, 255, 256, 259, 260-263, 265, and 267-269. The motion was made by Trustee Gonzalez. There being no second motion the motion failed.

Assessor, Cassandra Elston Enters @6:40pm

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 Supervisor Henyard 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:** 3 Trustees Gray-Everett, Washington, and Supervisor Henyard
- NO:** 1 Trustee Gonzalez
- ABSENT:** 1 Trustee Jones

There being three 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 Washington 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:** 4 Trustees Gonzalez, Gray-Everett, Washington, and Supervisor Henyard
- NO:** 0
- ABSENT:** 1 Trustee Jones

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

NEW BUSINESS:

Supervisor Henyard entertained a motion to approve agenda of April 11, 2023, Annual Town Meeting. The motion was made by Trustee Washington and seconded by Supervisor Henyard. Trustee Washington asks Supervisor Henyard if the Board will have an input on who the Moderators will be. Clerk Wells informs everyone that the electors are the ones who decides on who the Moderator will be. There being no further questions or comments, Supervisor Henyard asked Clerk Wells to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

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

NO: 0

ABSENT: 1 Trustee Jones

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

RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS: None

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Supervisor Henyard thanks everyone for coming out to the Board meeting and mentioned the following Township events coming up:

- Big Bingo – March 15, 2023, 4pm-7pm
- Women’s History Luncheon – March 19, 2023, 12pm-3pm
- Tech Class – March 22, 2023
- Senior Tech Class – March 23, 2023
- Karaoke Night – March 24, 2023

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. If you have any questions about any events please call Executive Assistant, Joslyn King (773) 771-1523.

PERSONNEL: None

RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS/TERMINATIONS: None

TRANSFER/PROMOTION/STATUS CHANGE: None

APPOINTMENT/NEW HIRE: None

MISCELLANEOUS:

Trustee Washington read the Birthday List for the Month of March. She also mentions that it’s really an accomplishment that this is Mayor Terry Wells 30th year of being the mayor for one of our Township Communities in Phoenix. She mentions Senior Advisor, Keith Freeman, she compliments him for always being open to helping when its needed. Supervisor Henyard mentions that it is also her daughter Justice’s birthday month, and her Birthday was March 9th. Clerk Wells reminds everyone that the elections are coming up and early voting will not be held at the Township. It will be held at South Suburban College, Gloria Taylor Park district, Markham courthouse and Calumet City Library from March 20, 2023 – April 3, 2023, and election day is April 4, 2023. Supervisor Henyard calls up Keith Freeman to speak. Senior Advisor, Keith Freeman states that he has reached out to Trustee Gonzalez and has had a conversation with him regarding documents he’d requested and says that he told him, he’d try his best to get them to him. He says he’s contacted every Trustee and has had a conversation with them as well.

Supervisor Henyard entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Trustee Gray-Everett, seconded by Supervisor Henyard. 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 Gonzalez, Gray-Everett, Washington, and Supervisor Henyard

ABSENT: 1 Trustee Jones

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

The Meeting of the Board of Trustees adjourned at 6:56pm.

X

Joyce M. Washington
Trustee

X

Darelene Gray-Everett
Trustee

X

Gerald "Jerry" Jones
Trustee

X

Christopher Gonzalez
Trustee

X

Loretta Wells
Clerk

X

Tiffany A. Henyard
Supervisor