

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

March 12, 2024

Thornton Township Clerk Wells called the Thornton Township Board of Trustees Meeting to order at 6:28 p.m. Clerk Wells called the roll.

PRESENT: Trustees Christopher Gonzalez, and Trustee Darlene Gray-Everett, Trustee Carmen Carlisle and Supervisor Tiffany Henyard

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk Loretta Wells and Attorney Tiffany Jaworski-Nelson

ABSENT: Trustee Gerald Jones, Highway Commissioner DePue and Assessor Elston.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Paul Roberts, Lansing Resident -Reads off his statement a question “If the Township is going from an surplus to a deficit” He also questions Thornton Township’s advertising budget? He would hope to get his questions answered stating “what is Thornton Township’s current Deficit or surplus?”

Gardin Watts, South Holland Resident – Embarrassed of Thornton Township’s and Dolton’s Administrations unwanted attention with Supervisor Henyard’s management. He states how he’s disappointed in this Administration and mentions when he previously worked for Thornton Township they’d win Township of the year almost every year, now outside of the Township and State we are labeled to be one of the worst. He hopes that when the Residents vote down on tax increase, they also vote down on all Trustees who support Supervisor Henyard, apart from Trustee Christopher Gonzalez.

Michael Smith, Riverdale Resident -Mentions how we talk about the wrong things and people. There’s no news media about the people that aren’t doing anything but come to the Township and talk about it all. Property Taxes get raised in your community every year by 4.99%. He mentions that If the Township wants to step up and do something about Mental Health then we must support them, no one else is doing anything about it.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Supervisor Henyard entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting held on February 27, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. The motion was made by Trustee Gray-Everett and seconded by Trustee Carlisle. There being no questions or comments Supervisor Henyard asked Clerk Wells to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

YES:	<u>4</u>	Trustees Gonzalez, Gray-Everett, Carlisle, and Supervisor Henyard
NO:	<u>0</u>	
ABSENT:	<u>1</u>	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 Carlisle 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, Carlisle 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 General Assistance Fund as presented to the Board for payment. The motion was made by Trustee Gray-Everett and seconded by Trustee Carlisle. 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, Carlisle 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 Gray-Everett, seconded by Trustee Carlisle. 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, Carlisle and Supervisor Henyard
NO: 0 None
ABSENT: 1 Trustee Jones

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

RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

Supervisor Henyard entertained a motion to approve Resolution 24-R-001 Authorizing Thornton Township Participation in the 2024 Program Year, Cook County Community Development Block Grant Program. The motion was made by Trustee Gray-Everett, seconded by Trustee Carlisle. 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, Carlisle and Supervisor Henyard
NO: 0 None
ABSENT: 1 Trustee Jones

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

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Loretta Wells
Clerk

X

Gerald "Jerry" Jones
Trustee

X

Christopher Gonzalez
Trustee

X

Darelene Gray-Everett
Trustee

X

Carmen Carlisle
Trustee

X

Tiffany A. Henyard
Supervisor