

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

July 16, 2024

Thornton Township Clerk Wells called the Thornton Township Board of Trustees Meeting to order at 6:29 p.m. Clerk Wells called the roll.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk Loretta Wells and Attorney Eric Stach

ABSENT: Trustee Gerald “Jerry” Jones

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Supervisor Henyard entertained a motion to approve the Special Board Meeting minutes held on June 20, 2024. The motion was made by Trustee Gray-Everette 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: 4 Trustees Gonzalez, Gray-Everett, Carlisle, and Supervisor Henyard
NO: 0
ABSENT: 1 Trustee Jones

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

Supervisor Henyard entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on July 1, 2024, at 5:30 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: 4 Trustees Gonzalez, Gray-Everett, Carlisle, and Supervisor Henyard
NO: 0
ABSENT: 1 Trustee Jones

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

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Supervisor Henyard entertained a motion to approve the General Fund as presented to the Board for payment. The motion was made by Trustee Gray-Everett and seconded by Supervisor Henyard. Trustee Carlisle explained the reasons for her vote and gives an explanation of why she doesn't support paying the bills. There being no further questions or comments Supervisor Henyard asked Clerk Wells to call the roll.

On the Roll Call, the vote was:

YES: 2 Trustees Gonzalez and Carlisle
NO: 2 Trustee Gray-Everett and Supervisor Henyard
ABSENT: 1 Trustee Jones

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

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On the Roll Call, the vote was:

YES: 2 Trustees Gonzalez and Carlisle
NO: 2 Trustee Gray-Everett and Supervisor Henyard
ABSENT: 1 Trustee Jones

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

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 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: 2 Trustees Gonzalez and Carlisle
NO: 2 Trustee Gray-Everett and Supervisor Henyard
ABSENT: 1 Trustee Jones

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

Supervisor Henyard entertained a motion to approve the Road and Bridge Fund as presented to the Board for payment. The motion was made by Trustee Gray-Everett and 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, Carlisle and Supervisor Henyard
NO: 0
ABSENT: 1 Trustee Jones

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

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Carlisle entertained a motion to table three (3) additional contractors for the HAP Lawn Mowing and Maintenance Services at \$35.00 per lawn (1. Hall and Sons 2. Rodriguez Lawn Services and 3. Paul & Sons) and to authorize Township Officials and the Township Attorney to negotiate a contract consistent with this reward. The motion was made by Trustee Carlisle 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: 2 Trustees Gonzalez and Carlisle
NO: 2 Trustee Gray-Everett and Supervisor Henyard
ABSENT: 1 Trustee Jones

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

Supervisor Henyard entertained a motion to approve three (3) additional contractors for the HAP Lawn Mowing and Maintenance Services at \$35.00 per lawn (1. Hall and Sons 2. Rodriguez Lawn Services and 3. Paul & Sons) and to authorize Township Officials and the Township Attorney to negotiate a contract consistent with this reward. The motion was made by Trustee Gray-Everett and 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: 2 Trustee Gray-Everett and Supervisor Henyard
NO: 2 Trustees Gonzalez and Carlisle
ABSENT: 1 Trustee Jones

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

SUPERVISORS REPORT:

Supervisor Henyard thanks everyone for coming to the meeting and announces all the great things we do here in Thornton Township.

Upcoming Events:

- Big Bingo – July 18, 2024, 4pm-7pm (Main Building)
- Tech Savvy – July 22, 2024, 4pm-7pm (Main Building)
- Township Talk- July 28, 2024, 5pm-7pm
- Food Pantry Giveaways – Wednesdays, 5pm-7pm

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Debra Reeves, Township Resident - Ms. Reeves questions how Trustee Carlisle feels she can be trustworthy when she once sided with Supervisor Henyard's and if she's not to be trusted why Trustee Carlisle should.
- Keith Price, Township Employee - Speaks on how Stan Brown was ready to quit because no one wanted to pay bills and how he talked with the Trustees about paying and they agreed. He expresses his appreciation to the staff and department heads.

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: 5 Trustees Jones, Gonzalez, Gray-Everett, Carlisle, and Supervisor Henyard
NO: 0
ABSENT: 0

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

The Meeting of the Board of Trustees was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

X

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