

Supervisor Murphy called the public meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Clerk McMahon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk McMahon called the roll and the following board members were present:

Supervisor Murphy, Trustee Hurckes, Trustee Lewandowski, Trustee Sexton-Kelly and Trustee Toscas.

Also present were Elizabeth Shine, Attorney, Lety Campos, Executive Assistant to the Highway Commissioner, Assessor Shaun Murphy, Colleen Kenny, Deputy Clerk, Katie Elwood, Township Manager, and Cindy Young, Director of General Assistance, Maureen Ryan, Executive Administrator, and Tom Anderson and Gerard Igoe of Odelson Murphey Frazier McGrath, Ltd.

MINUTES

Motion made by Trustee Hurckes, seconded by Trustee Toscas to approve the minutes from Session #1060-24, Regular Meeting, November 14, 2024.

Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Lewandowski – abstain
Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye
Trustee Toscas - aye
Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Motion made by Trustee Toscas, seconded by Trustee Sexton-Kelly to approve Ordinance #566-24, an ordinance for the tax year 2024 levy for the Town of Worth General Town Fund in the amount of \$2,577,257.

Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Lewandowski – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye
Trustee Toscas - aye
Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Sexton-Kelly, seconded by Trustee Toscas to approve Ordinance #567-24, an ordinance for the tax year 2024 levy for the Town of Worth General Assistance Fund in the amount of \$611,420.

Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Lewandowski – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye
Trustee Toscas - aye
Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Toscas, seconded by Trustee Lewandowski to approve Ordinance #568-24, an ordinance for the tax year 2024 levy for the Town of Worth Road District in the amount of \$1,144,184.

Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Lewandowski – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye
Trustee Toscas - aye
Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by Trustee Sexton-Kelly, seconded by Trustee Toscas to approve the most responsible bidder, Kenny Signs, for the digital sign in the front of the building.

Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Lewandowski – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye
Trustee Toscas - aye
Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Hurckes, seconded by Trustee Lewandowski to approve hiring a part-time maintenance person.

Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Lewandowski – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye
Trustee Toscas - aye
Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Toscas, seconded by Trustee Hurckes to approve switching our health insurance from UnitedHealthcare to Blue Cross Blue Shield.

Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Lewandowski – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye
Trustee Toscas - aye
Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

Trustee Hurckes reported a problem was found in the Supervisors bathroom and it will be under a bit of construction. He also said that the conference room behind the food pantry is going to be used by the food pantry. Trustee Hurckes reported that the Township has received its fifth grant in the amount of \$200,000. He announced that that the new sign will be installed in front of the building.

Trustee Lewandowski said Energy Services will be starting their outreach program. The senior room had 100 people attend a recent holiday trip to downtown Chicago. The foodie club will be conducting a cookie exchange before the holidays.

Trustee Sexton-Kelly informed everyone that Santa visits started on Monday with a silent Santa. Santa returned Tuesday through Thursday for all the other children. She also said that the Christmas Cares packages will be handed out next week.

Trustee Toscas informed everyone the levies will be filed in December.

Assessor Murphy reported that Dawn Luchene is back in the Assessors office. The staff is catching up on permits.

Lety Campos shared Commissioner Moody’s report. The Highway Department are busy working on the vehicles for safety inspection. They have had to salt once already this season and are putting up some no parking signs in Palos.

Supervisor Murphy told everyone that there were 100 seniors at the seniors’ luncheon. Gift cards were given out as prizes. The employee party will be held on December 19th at Uncle Bud’s. Supervisor Murphy gave a shout out to Griffith Foods for donating towards Christmas events for residents as well as a donation to the food pantry. She wished everyone Happy Holidays!

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Levy is due to be filed with the County Clerk by the last Tuesday in December.

PUBLIC/STAFF PARTICIPATION

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Residents have been dropping off donations for the Christmas Cares program. The Americans Lawman's Association will be dropping off donations on December 13th.

TREASURERS REPORT

Motion made by Trustee Toscas, seconded by Trustee Lewandowski, to waive the reading of the Treasurer's report and pay the bills as presented and budgeted.

Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Lewandowski – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye
Trustee Toscas - aye
Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Sexton-Kelly, seconded by Trustee Hurckes, to go into Executive Session at 6:18 p.m. for the purpose of the Semi-Annual Review of Executive Session minutes as mandated by Section 2.06(22).

Supervisor Murphy – aye
Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Lewandowski – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly – aye
Trustee Toscas - aye

Motion carried.

Statutory Purpose (s) of Executive Session: Semi-Annual Review of Executive Session Minutes.

POSSIBLE FINAL ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Trustee Lewandowski, seconded by Trustee Sexton-Kelly to return to regular session at 6:30 p.m.

Supervisor Murphy – aye
Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Lewandowski – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly – aye
Trustee Toscas - aye

Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Sexton-Kelly, seconded by Trustee Toscas, to keep the Executive Minutes under seal.

Supervisor Murphy – aye
Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Lewandowski – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly – aye
Trustee Toscas - aye

Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Motion made by Trustee Lewandowski and seconded by Trustee Sexton-Kelly to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Lewandowski – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye
Trustee Toscas - aye
Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Clerk Eamon J. McMahon