

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 Vicky Moody, Highway Commissioner.

MINUTES

Motion made by Trustee Lewandowski, seconded by Trustee Sexton-Kelly to approve the minutes from Session #1061-24, Regular Meeting, December 12, 2024.

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

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by Trustee Toscas, seconded by Trustee Hurckes to post the tentative 2025-2026 budget and appropriation ordinances for the Town of Worth Fund and the Town of Worth General Assistance Fund for 30 days.

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 scheduling a public hearing for the 2025-2026 tentative budget and appropriation ordinances for the Town of Worth Fund, and the Town of Worth General Assistance Fund on February 27, 2025 at 6:00 pm.

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

Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

Supervisor Murphy and Mayor Ryan met with the residents of Heritage Apartments to inform everyone about the services at the Township. They were asked to come back on a regular basis. She also shared that a digital newsletter is being worked on. The Supervisor is working with the Red Cross to see what the Township can do to help the people displaced by the fire in Chicago Ridge.

Trustee Hurckes said that the plumbing issue has been resolved. The new space for the food pantry came in under budget. He shared that there were two bids for the senior room and that he would share that information at the special meeting Thursday, January 30th. There was a \$46000 bid to have the lights converted. The Township would be responsible for \$1400 of that amount. There is one more bid coming

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He also shared that Alsip has approved the design of the new digital sign in front of the building.

Trustee Lewandowski reported that Energy Services is now leaving flyers with information about their services at the Heritage Apartments. Their outreach program will begin on Friday and the senior drivers will attend the events to tell about their services also. The seniors have a trip planned for February 13th to the Jacob Henry Mansion. He also shared that bingo is back.

Trustee Sexton-Kelly shared that November and December have been very busy with Santa visits and the Christmas Cares project. Volleyball has started and is going very well.

Trustee Toscas informed everyone that the audits were filed with the state and the Township is compliant.

Commissioner Moody reported the Highway Department hasn't had any incidents.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

PUBLIC/STAFF PARTICIPATION

Cindy Young spoke about the Food Pantry. They have been serving customers nonstops. Today they served 178 people in 57 households.

Town Manager Katie Elwood will be shaving her head at the St. Baldricks event on March 14th at 115 Bourbon Street.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

ADJOURN

Motion made by Trustee Lewandowski and seconded by Trustee Sexton-Kelly to adjourn the meeting at 6:19 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