Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town Board of Trustees, Town of Worth, held at the Worth Township Town Hall, 11601 S Pulaski, Alsip, Illinois, 60803 Thursday, May 20, 2025 6:00 PM

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 Pratl, Trustee Sexton-Kelly and Trustee Toscas. Trustee Hurckes was absent with notification.

Also present were Elizabeth Shine, Attorney, Katie Elwood, Township Manager, Cindy Young, Director of General Assistance, Colleen Kenny, Deputy Clerk, Maureen Ryan, Executive Administrator, Shaun Murphy, Assessor, Lety Campos, Vicky Moody and Fred Moody.

MINUTES

<u>Motion</u> made by Trustee Toscas, seconded by Trustee Sexton-Kelly to approve the minutes from Session #1068-25, Regular Meeting, April 24, 2025.

Trustee Pratl – abstain Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye Trustee Toscas - aye Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Motion</u> made by Trustee Toscas, seconded by Trustee Pratl to approve the continuation of operations and services of the Worth Township Road District as the Worth Township Highway Department following the dissolution of the Worth Township Road District.

Trustee Pratl – aye Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye Trustee Toscas - aye Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

<u>Motion</u> made by Trustee Pratl, seconded by Trustee Kelly Sexton-Kelly to approve the hiring of Richard Lewandowski as Community Liaison.

Trustee Pratl – aye Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye Trustee Toscas - aye Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

<u>Motion</u> made by Trustee Kelly Sexton-Kelly, seconded by Trustee Toscas to approve Ordinance #573-25, an ordinance establishing the Worth Township Road Department.

Trustee Pratl – aye Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye Trustee Toscas - aye Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

Page 2 Session #1069-25 May 20, 2025 <u>Motion</u> made by Trustee Toscas, seconded by Trustee Pratl to approve the promotion of John Arrigo to Foreman of the Highway Department.

Trustee Pratl – aye Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye Trustee Toscas - aye Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

<u>Motion</u> made by Trustee Sexton-Kelly, seconded by Trustee Toscas to approve the hiring of a full-time employee of the Highway Department.

Trustee Pratl – aye Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye Trustee Toscas - aye Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

<u>Motion</u> made by Trustee Toscas, seconded by Trustee Pratl to approve posting the tentative amended 2025-2026 budget and appropriation ordinances for the Town of Worth Fund and "The Town of Worth Road District Fund".

Trustee Pratl – aye Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye Trustee Toscas - aye Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

Supervisor Murphy and Clerk McMahon attended lobby day in Springfield. She also shared that the Township held a Cinco de Mayo celebration that was attended by 100 residents. The veterans also held their first support group meeting and will continue to meet once a month.

Township Manager Katie Elwood shared Trustee Hurckes' report. The senior room door project has started and is ongoing. The weather hasn't been cooperating. Permits should be ready by the end of the week and construction is set to begin on Tuesday, May 27th.

Trustee Sexton-Kelly shared that camp will be starting on June 23rd. There are only 5 open spots left to fill.

Trustee Pratl was welcomed by the board. He shared that he toured the building with Township Manager Katie Elwood. Trustee Pratl reported that the senior room is very busy. There will be an AARP meeting next week as well as a Thunderbolts game on Wednesday.

Trustee Toscas stated that Town & Highway budgets will be posted for 30 days.

Assessor Murphy communicated that they are working through the certificates of error. It looks like taxes may be late this year by about 2 months.

Commissioner Moody shared that the Highway Department has been busy painting guardrails and refacing streets. They have had a lot of branch pickup due to the recent storms.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

PUBLIC/STAFF PARTICIPATION

Fred Moody, a citizen, commented that Rich Lewandowski will be a good Community Liaison. He is very articulate and smart.

Community Liaison Rich Lewandowski appreciates the chance to increase Worth Township's exposure in the community.

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CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

TREASURERS REPORT

<u>Motion</u> 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 Pratl – aye Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye Trustee Toscas - aye Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

ADJOURN

<u>Motion</u> made by Trustee Toscas and seconded by Trustee Sexton-Kelly to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

Trustee Pratl – aye Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye Trustee Toscas - aye Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Clerk Eamon J. McMahon