

Minutes – Shields Township Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting February 20, 2020

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Town of Shields)

THE TOWN BOARD OF SHIELDS TOWNSHIP met at the Shields Township office for its regular monthly meeting on February 20, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Terry Darraugh	Supervisor
Joy Gayter	Clerk
Kathleen Blahunka	Town Trustee
Kristin Strom	Town Trustee

I. Meeting Called to Order

Supervisor Darraugh called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. Roll Call: Assessor Helton was also in attendance.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Darraugh opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Presentation of Cash Balances: Cash on Hand by Fund,

Supervisor Darraugh presented cash balances by fund;

Town Fund - \$662,268.39

General Assistance – 5,407.09

Road and Bridge - \$433,932.41

V. For Action – Motion to approve minutes from January 2020 board meeting

The minutes were approved on a motion by Trustee Blahunka, seconded by Trustee Strom passed by 3-0 on a roll call vote after an amendment by Assessor Helton was added.

VI. For action – approve bills

Town Fund Bills – A motion by Trustee Strom, seconded by Trustee Blahunka, to approve the payment of Town Fund expenses in the amount of \$53,214.53 passed by 3-0 on a roll call vote.

Road and Bridge –A motion by Trustee Strom, seconded by Trustee Blahunka, to approve the payment of Road and Bridge expenses in the amount of \$57,648.67 passed by 3-0 on a roll call vote.

General Assistance – A motion by Supervisor Darraugh, seconded by Trustee Blahunka, to approve the General Assistance expenses in the amount of \$2,200.00 passed by 3-0 on a roll call vote.

VII. For approval – Budget and Appropriations for Town Fund FY21

A motion by Trustee Blahunka to approve the Town Fund Budget for \$382,260.00, General Assistance Fund Budget for \$12,000.00, Emergency Assistance Fund Budget for \$17,000.00 and Assessor's Budget for \$326,274 and was seconded Trustee Strom.

VIII. For approval – Budget and Appropriations for Road and Bridge Fund FY21 – This was tabled until next month as the budget was not available for review

IX. Township Reports

Trustees – Nothing to report

Highway Commissioner – Nothing to report

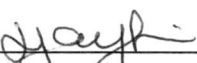
Assessor – Assessor Helton informed the board that the state had calculated the Township factor to be over 1. He worked with his staff and the chief county assessor, Robert S. Bleecker and determined the state factor was not accurate. The state had not considered sales from one trust to another as a qualified purchase. More estates are being put into trust. A meeting was held with the state assessment members and they agreed with the Shields evaluation and recalculated the factor, which was then determined to be 1, demonstrating the accuracy of Shields Assessment.

Supervisor – The supervisor reported that she is receiving good feedback on the new Refuse Collection services. Grainger is hosting a breakfast meeting on February 26th for students enrolled in the Cristo Rey Corporate Work Study Program. The North Chicago 5th Ward meeting will be held on March 7th. The 2nd Annual St. Patrick's Day Luncheon for seniors will be held at Foss Park on Sunday, March 15th.

X. Public Comment - None

XII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m. by Supervisor Darraugh.



Joy Gayter, Town Clerk