

Minutes – Shields Township Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting February 15, 2018

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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 15, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

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| PRESENT: <u>Theresa Darraugh</u> | Supervisor |
| <u>Joy Gayter</u> | Clerk |
| <u>Kathy Blahunka</u> | Town Trustee |
| <u>Matt Garrity</u> | Town Trustee |
| <u>Kristin Strom</u> | Town Trustee |

Road Commissioner Scott Anderson and Assessor Scott Helton were also present.

I. Meeting Called to Order

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

II. Roll Call

Trustee Brown was not in attendance.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Darraugh opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. For Approval – Economic development incentives and property tax abatement agreement between City of North Chicago and Shields Township for the Sheridan Crossing property.

A presentation was made by Victor Barrera, North Chicago's Director of Economic Development and Hide Kashima, Program Director at Structured Development, Chicago on a proposed 45-million-dollar development at Sheridan Road and Martin Luther King Jr. Drive. The proposal includes a hotel, movie theatre, restaurant and shops as well as The National Museum of the American Sailor. To make this a viable project, the city is requesting a tax abatement for 13 years after which there would be a 5-year stepdown which would roll back taxes at 20% per year. The development would have a positive impact on the city and would attract other businesses to the area. A motion by Trustee Blahunka, seconded by Trustee Garrity approved the tax abatement and passed by a 4-0 roll call vote.

V. For Action – Motion to approve Town Board Minutes from January 18, 2018

A motion by Trustee Blahunka to approve the minutes from January 18th, 2018 was seconded by Trustee Strom, and approved unanimously by roll call.

VI. Presentation of Cash Balances: Cash on Hand, Town Fund, General Assistance, Road and Bridge

Supervisor Darraugh presented cash balances by fund.

VII. For Action – Motion to approve bills:

- i. Town Fund Bills** – A motion by Trustee Blahunka, seconded by Trustee Garrity, to approve the payment of Town Fund expenses in the amount of \$51,067.81 passed by 4-0 on a roll call vote.

- ii. **Road and Bridge** – A motion by Supervisor Darraugh seconded by Trustee Blahunka to approve the payment of Road and Bridge expenses in the amount of \$14,591.06 passed by 4-0 on a roll call vote.
- iii. **General Assistance** – A motion by Trustee Garrity seconded by Trustee Strom to approve the General Assistance expenses in the amount of \$988.24 passed by 4-0 on a roll call vote.

VIII. For approval – Transfer of \$4,000 from the Town Fund to the GA account:

A motion by Trustee Blahunka to approve the transfer of \$4,000.00 from the Town Fund account to the General Assistance account was seconded by Trustee Garrity, and approved unanimously by roll call.

IX. For approval – Proposed town board meeting dates for 2018-19:

A motion by Trustee Blahunka to approve the meeting dates for 2018 was seconded by Trustee Garrity and approved unanimously by roll call.

X. For approval Budget ordinance 18/19 for Shields Township Town Fund:

A motion by Trustee Blahunka to approve the Town Fund Budget of \$736,800, was seconded by Trustee Strom and approved unanimously by roll call.

XI. For approval Budget ordinance 18/19 for Shields Township Road and Bridge:

A motion by Trustee Blahunka to approve the Road and Bridge of \$536,850, was seconded by Trustee Garrity and approved unanimously by roll call.

XII. Township Reports

- i. **Trustees** – No report
- ii. **Highway Commissioner** – Commissioner Anderson reported that repairs to roads were being made
- iii. **Accessor** – No report
- iv. **Supervisor** – Supervisor Darraugh reported that the Vets Snow Removal Program has been very successful. The township supplied boots for 20 volunteers of which 19 pairs were purchased at \$45 each. Twenty-eight coats were provided of which 5 had to be purchased as large sizes were needed

XIII. Public Comment

Janice Schnobrich commented that the food pantry is still listed on the web site and that phone calls and enquiries are still coming into the office. She pointed out that the township has commented on how busy they are and that they should not be dealing with anything connected to the Food Pantry. She would like the Food Pantry to be removed from the web site and the office to keep Metrix on how many calls and visits are being dealt with on behalf of the food pantry.

XIV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m. motioned by Supervisor Darraugh and seconded by Trustee Garrity.



Joy Gayter, Town Clerk