

**Minutes – Shields Township Board of Trustees  
Regular Meeting May 19, 2016  
6:30 p.m.**

STATE OF ILLINOIS, )  
Lake County, ) } SS.  
Town of Shields )

THE TOWN BOARD OF SHIELDS TOWNSHIP met at the Shields Township office for its regular monthly meeting on May 19, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: <u>Cynthia Maloney</u>	Supervisor
<u>Richard Goshgarian</u>	Town Trustee
<u>William Brown</u>	Town Trustee
<u>Charles January</u>	Town Trustee
<u>Heather Kerr</u>	Town Trustee

Assessor, Kathy Blahunka, was also present.

**I. Meeting Called to Order**

Supervisor Cynthia Maloney called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

**II. Roll Call**

The Roll Call established that Lanelle Collins, Town Clerk was not present for the meeting.

**III. Appointment of *clerk de jure***

On a motion of Kerr and seconded by Brown, Don Russ was appointed clerk *de jure* in the absence of Lanelle Collins, which passed by a unanimous voice vote.

**IV. Pledge of Allegiance**

Supervisor Maloney opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**V. For Action –Motion to approve Minutes from the April, 2016, Board Meeting.**

It was motioned by Trustee January , and seconded by Trustee Goshgarian to table the minutes until the June 2016 meeting, voice vote, motion carried.

**VI. Presentation of Balances** - Cash on Hand, Town Fund, GA, Road and Bridge were presented without questions.

**VII. For Action – Motion to Approve Bills**

- a. Town Fund** - There was a motion by Trustee Brown and a second by Trustee Goshgarian to approve the amended amount of **\$52,580.70**, roll call, motion carried.
- b. Road and Bridge** – There was motioned by Trustee Goshgarian second by Trustee Brown to approve the combined amount with the Assessor of **\$19,603.29**, roll call, motion carried.
- c. General Assistance** - There was a motion by Trustee Goshgarian and a second by Trustee Brown to approve the amount of **\$3,970.00**, roll call, motion carried

**VIII. Resumption of Discussion regarding Elected Officials Salaries and Request to Evaluate Elected Officials**

A ten-minute presentation by Trustee Goshgarian described the changing characterization of the work of the Supervisor, Assessor and Road Commissioner. (The current annual budget of “Elected Officials Salaries” is \$116,000.) In recent years that characterization changed from “full-time” to “part-time” and in recent months to “supervisory” and “figurehead.” He discussed how the apparent workloads related to those characterizations. Following the presentation, Supervisor Maloney reported that she will attend a “salaries workshop” in July. Trustee Brown made brief comments and Trustee January made extensive comments. Trustee Goshgarian replied.

**IX. Public Comments –**

**Janice Schnorbrich – Lake Bluff** - Discussed matters relating to Shields Township published by the Lake Forest, and Lake Bluff Chamber of Commerce and by the City of Lake Forest. Assessor Kathy Blahunka commented on Agenda Item VIII and Trustee Goshgarian replied.

**X. Township Reports.**

- a. Trustees - Trustee Kerr** - Commented on Agenda Item VIII.
- b. Highway Commissioner** – No Comment

- c. **Assessor - Kathy Blahunka** – Replied to Trustee Kerr’s comment on Agenda Item VIII.
  
- d. **Supervisor - Supervisor Maloney** - Noted that “it is our job to review” the salaries of elected officials. She mentioned a June 4<sup>th</sup> 3K run and an event at the North Chicago Library the same day. She commented on an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Lake Forest regarding Senior Transportation and on the pantry contributions by Whole Foods and Costco. She praised the new unpaid intern Jessica, a college senior, and Kathy O’Hara for recommending her. She commented on the work of Marco and his brother and the Lake Bluff Women’s Club and the \$20,476 of passport fees that have helped to fund the pantry.

## **XI. Adjournment**

On a motion by Trustee Brown and a second by Trustee Kerr the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m., voice vote, motion carried.

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Lanelle Collins, Town Clerk