

**SOUTH MOLINE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

March 17, 2025

PRESENT — Greg Aguilar, Supervisor; Brian Forsberg, Trustee; Howard Gripp, Trustee; Bob Schultz, Trustee; Nick Vyncke, Clerk; Rick Mellinger Assessor; Mark Lundahl, Road Commissioner; Kent Breecher, Cemetery; Jaclyn Dooley, RICGOP; Greg Aguilar, Elvia Aguilar, Geoff Manis, Dan Zahm, Jeff Rivera, and Elle Peoples. Absent- Andrea Anderson, Trustee.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER — Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Supervisor Aguilar.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES — Motion by Schultz, second by Forsberg, that we approve the minutes of March 4, 2025. Motion carried, with all voting in favor.

OFFICIALS' REPORTS —

- a. **Cemetery** — Putting together a deed. Once finished plots will be sold again. Bricks received for unmarked graves. Aguilar confirmed on a question from the public. Breecher has been in contact with the individual.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS —

- a. **Veterans-** Aguilar explained the costs for the larger charges to the program. Gripp requested specifics on the printing charges for shirts. Question asked on how many veterans are currently in the program. Aguilar read aloud Burton's response on the laptop purchase. Burton stated that the laptop is property of the township.

NEW BUSINESS —

- a. **ATM Agenda-** Vyncke showed a change to the agenda paying the moderator. Aguilar makes a motion to approve the Annual Town Meeting agenda. Forsberg seconds with all voting in favor.
- b. **EM/UTHS Wrestling-** Schultz makes a motion to donate \$1000 to East Moline/United Township Wrestling program. Aguilar seconds with all voting in favor. Aguilar will confirm on the number of athletes from South Moline Township are in the program.
- c. **Moline Hoops Request-** Manis informed the board that the majority of the student athletes involved are from the township. Explained various costs to the program. Manis stated that the program serves 4th through 8th grade and uses multiple schools to practice and play games. Discussion ensued on some form of recognition to the township. Discussion on if the program has a budget or not and the number of players in the program. Gripp makes a motion to donate the requested \$2500 to Moline Hoops. Forsberg seconds with all voting in favor. Forsberg added that hopefully the next township board can see some sort of analytics on the number of South Moline Township players in the program.
- d. **Moline Little League-** Aguilar makes a motion to donate \$1000 to Moline Little League in order to sponsor two teams. Gripp seconds with all voting in favor. Aguilar wants to confirm

numbers on residents of the township.

- e. **Year End Transfers-** Aguilar presented a list of various line items that he wants to move. Discussion ensued on if each item needs to be written on a transfer of appropriation or vote on all as a grouping. No confirmation on where the road and bridge money would be coming from. Discussion ensued on the legality and possibility in doing so without seeing where money is being moved. Forsberg asked Vyncke his opinion. Vyncke responded that he personally would not sign off on something unless he saw proper numbers and specifics. He reminded the board that this is their decision. Schultz asked why the proper forms were not prepared for the meeting. Aguilar responded that the office has been busy with complying with FOIA requests. Schultz does not believe the process of signing off on transfers without proper documentation has ever been done before.
- f. **Unruly Behavior Policy-** Schultz believes a policy should be in place for unruly behavior. Aguilar will look into it. Schultz asked Aguilar to look into the legalities of such events. Forsberg confirmed on how that is necessary.
- g. **Budget-** Schultz asked for a line item for the veteran's program. Aguilar showed Schultz where the line item is on the budget.
- h. **FOIA Update-** Schultz wants to confirm the credit card charges presented in a recent FOIA. Aguilar gave examples. Gripp asked for more detail. Aguilar will provide statements. Aguilar stated that there have been three additional FOIAs. Forsberg asked for the names of the requestors. Aguilar confirmed. One request asked for all purchases going back to April 2020. Aguilar stated that it shouldn't be too bad with the info already prepared from other FOIAs. Lundahl suggested having them call the auditor.

MEETINGS & EDUCATION —

Next Board Meeting: April 2, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.
South Moline Township Hall, 2521 53rd Street, Moline, IL

TRUSTEES APPROVAL OF BILLS BY FUNDS —

- a. **TOWN FUND**
 - 1. **TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION —** Motion by Forsberg for approval; second by Schultz. Ayes: Schultz, Gripp, Forsberg and Aguilar. Unanimous.
 - 2. **ASSESSOR —** Motion by Schultz for approval; second by Gripp. Ayes: Schultz, Gripp, Forsberg and Aguilar. Unanimous.
 - 3. **TOWNSHIP SENIOR CENTER —** Motion by Gripp for approval; second by Forsberg. Ayes: Schultz, Gripp, Forsberg and Aguilar. Unanimous.
- b. **TOWN FUND — FICA —** Motion by Forsberg for approval; second by Schultz. Ayes: Schultz, Gripp, Forsberg and Aguilar. Unanimous.
- c. **TOWN FUND — IMRF —** Motion by Schultz for approval; second by Gripp. Ayes: Schultz, Gripp, Forsberg and Aguilar. Unanimous.
- d. **GENERAL ASSISTANCE —** Motion by Gripp for approval; second by Forsberg. Ayes: Schultz, Gripp, Forsberg and Aguilar. Unanimous.
- e. **ROAD & BRIDGE / GENERAL FUND —** Motion by Forsberg for approval; second by Schultz. Ayes: Schultz, Gripp, Forsberg and Aguilar. Unanimous.
- f. **ROAD & BRIDGE / IMRF FUND —** Motion by Schultz for approval; second by Gripp.

Ayes: Schultz, Gripp, Forsberg and Aguilar. Unanimous.

- g. ROAD & BRIDGE / FICA FUND — Motion by Gripp for approval; second by Forsberg. Ayes: Schultz, Gripp, Forsberg and Aguilar. Unanimous.
- h. ROAD & BRIDGE / EQUIPMENT & BLDG — Motion by Forsberg for approval; second by Schultz. Ayes: Schultz, Gripp, Forsberg and Aguilar. Unanimous.
- i. ROAD & BRIDGE / INSURANCE FUND — Motion by Schultz for approval; second by Gripp. Ayes: Schultz, Gripp, Forsberg and Aguilar. Unanimous.
- j. CEMETERY — Motion by Gripp for approval; second by Forsberg. Ayes: Schultz, Gripp, Forsberg and Aguilar. Unanimous.

COMMENTS —

Elle Peoples informed the board on the recent FOIAs. She clarified the process in place with state policy. She informed the board that there are various ways to handle commercial requests. She offered her services if needed. She believes people sending FOIAs from out of town is inappropriate. She once again offered her services to help in the process. She asked when the South Moline Township office went digital. Aguilar confirmed. She clarified certain requirements and how many things are protected from FOIA requests.

ADJOURNMENT — Motion by Gripp, second by Aguilar, that we adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, with all voting in favor. Meeting adjourned @ 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicholas “Nick” Vyncke
South Moline Township Clerk