

SOUTH MOLINE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

October 20th, 2025

PRESENT — Greg Aguilar, Supervisor; Joe Lambrecht, Trustee; Jeff Rivera, Trustee; Maritia Griffith, Trustee; Craig Loken, Clerk; Luis Moreno, Road Commissioner; Absent: Nitra Kelley, Trustee;

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER — Meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m. by Supervisor Aguilar.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES — No meeting minutes available to vote on – will vote on all previous draft meeting minutes at regular meeting 11/5/25..

OFFICIALS' REPORTS —

- a. **Road Commissioner** – Residents complimented the road crew for improved mowing using the new arm extension, allowing greater reach on hills and slopes.
 - a. Beaver activity continues to cause drainage issues, looking at permitting to remove.
 - b. All locks at R&B have been changed.
 - c. Winter prep – adequate salt levels for winter operations; additional purchases will likely not be needed to meet county minimum.
 - d. Staff will salt and plow all township facilities.
 - e. Staff inspected Rose Lawn Cemetery and believe it can be maintained with existing equipment.
 - f. Studio 483 Architects will discuss the scope of upcoming remodel
 - i. Add locker rooms, showers, and urinal. Convert existing office to storage, no setback issues expected.
 - g. Bids likely to go out in January, bid opening in February, with groundbreaking late March/early May.
 - h. Permit received from Par-West Gutters for ~\$3,000, insurance coordination in progress.
 - i. Trailer purchased to haul skid steer.
- b. **Clerks** – N/A
- c. **Cemetery** – Recent repair work completed on broken headstones.
- d. **Assessor** – N/A
- e. **Trustees** – N/A
- f. **Senior Center** – New doors have been installed – significant improvement. Two new toilets also installed at a taller height per requests from staff and citizens. Gril-scout pumpkin painting was a huge success. Considering gift wrapping over the holiday season.

SUPERVISOR's REPORT

- a) Township has maintained a line item for the veterans programming even with existing manger stepping down. Conversations started with Veteran's group at Blackhawk College.
- b) Township will pay for Veterans wishing to participate in the Honor Flight – currently have a veteran in need of their caretaker accompanying them – township to cover \$500.
 - a. Encouraged trustees to have interested parties speak with him.
- c) Veterans dance to be held 11/7 at Bally's – free for Vet's.

NEW BUSINESS —

- a. UTHS STAR Tree Program (gifting assistance for those in need at UTHS.)
 - i. Questions on how to ensure SMT students receive benefit from this.
 - ii. UTHS sent a letter requesting support.
 - iii. Conversations were held on larger community needs over holiday as well as SNAP benefit delay risk. Discussed earmarking \$5,000 to help up to 50 families in SMT.

Motion to approve \$1,000 donation to STAR program made by Trustee Griffith, second by Lambrecht, carries unanimously.

UNFISNISHED BUSINESS

Levy Discussion – No increases anticipated - R&B conducting an impact and control chart to determine large needs 5-10 years out. Will help prioritize purchases.

Roselawn Cemetery - Supervisor Aguilar reported that he and Mary Beth had visited Roselawn Cemetery and were still interested in proceeding. Mary Beth remained interested in leading the administrative aspects. They planned to meet with Greg Vogel to learn about his current responsibilities and would likely offer him a stipend to train Mary Beth, potentially for six months. The board discussed ownership of the cemetery property and whether it might be sold. Trustee Griffith mentioned that someone had asked if the township would sell part of the property to Black Hawk College. The board agreed that maintaining the property as a cemetery was preferable to selling it.

Literacy Connection (from 10/7) – Trustee Lambrecht moved to donate \$1,000 to the Literacy Connection, second by Rivera, motion carried unanimously.

MEETINGS & EDUCATION —

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

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

- **Week of 10/7/2025** – 1st by Rivera, seconded by Griffith, carries unanimously

Administration	\$	36,695.19
Assessor	\$	11,756.60
Senior Center	\$	8,427.78
Capital Outlay	\$	2,250.00
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Town Fund	\$	59,129.57
Cemetery Fund	\$	17.46
General Assistance Fund	\$	9,368.19
Road & Bridge Fund	\$	22,995.59
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	91,510.81

- **Week of 10/20/2025** – 1st by Rivera, seconded by Lambrecht, carries unanimously.

Administration	\$	26,071.69
Assessor	\$	8,644.19
Senior Center	\$	4,762.82
Capital Outlay	\$	<u>2,284.13</u>
Town Fund	\$	41,762.83
Cemetery Fund	\$	6,949.42
General Assistance Fund	\$	4,322.61
Road & Bridge Fund	\$	11,640.65
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	64,675.51

COMMENTS —

ADJOURNMENT — Motion by Rivera, second by Lambrecht, that we adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, with all voting in favor. Meeting adjourned @ 6:04p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Loken
South Moline Township Clerk