

**Rock Island Township**

2827 - 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Rock Island, IL. 61201

**Town Board Minutes**

**Monday November 26, 2018 - 4:15 p.m.**

**I. In attendance:** Roll Call: Supervisor Alan Carmen, Clerk Joan Clark, Trustees: James Kerr, Heather Gray, Vincent Thomas, and Rita Kirk. Elected Officials & staff: Assessor Brenda Carmen & Township staff Doris Quigley.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Alan Carmen at 4:15 p.m. The following township business was transacted:

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Clerk Joan Clark asked the board to take a moment of silence in memory of those who died at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh and all those who have lost their lives to gun violence,

**II. Approval of the Minutes from the October 22, 2018 Board Meeting (Attachment A):** Motion to approve the minutes as written made by Trustee Gray seconded by Trustee Kerr. Roll call: Trustee Kerr, Yes; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed.

**III. Assessor's Report:** Assessor Carmen reported she is in the process of negotiating assessments with a number of township businesses. She also reported she has been notified she has completed the necessary Assessor's training to be certified for the next four years.

**IV. Review and Approval – claims paid in Township funds 10/17/2018-11/20/2018 (Attachment B):**

Motion made by Trustee Gray to approve the claims in the Town, General Assistance & Building Funds; seconded by Trustee Kirk. Roll Call: Trustee Kerr, Yes; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed.

**V. Supervisor's Report:**

**A.) 2019-2020 Property Tax Levy (Attachment C)**

Trustee Gray made a motion to approve the 2019-2020 Property Tax Levy in the amount of \$520,000.00; seconded by Trustee Kirk. Roll Call: Trustee Kerr, Yes; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed.

**B.) Approval of 2019-2020 Holiday Schedule (Attachment D)**

Trustee Gray made a motion to approve the 2019-2020 Holiday Schedule; Trustee Kirk seconded the motion. Roll Call: Trustee Kerr, Yes; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed.

**C.) Approval of 2019-2020 Town Board Meeting Schedule (Attachment E)**

Trustee Gray made a motion to approve the 2019-2020 Town Board Meeting Schedule; Trustee Kirk seconded the motion. Roll Call: Trustee Kerr, Yes; Trustee Gray, Yes; Trustee Thomas, Yes; Trustee Kirk, Yes; Supervisor Carmen, Yes. Motion Passed.

**D.) Items of Interest (Attachment F)**

-The Board praised the work done by volunteers at the Laborer's Union to remove and install the new flagpole and place the new benches in Parker Garden. A contribution to the Union's Veterans Assistance Fund and reimbursement for auger rental will be on the next Agenda.

-The Township Emergency Assistance Program has spent all the funds budgeted. Funds from the Federal Emergency Food and Shelter Program through Moline Township will be released this month and will be able to help with rent assistance for those living in our township.

- The Clerk Attestation Law was a topic of great discussion at the Township Officials of Illinois Annual Meeting. We will discuss a plan for our implementation of the law at Rock Island Township once the Township Attorney and Auditor take a look and review the plan.

**E.) Food Pantry / Meal Site: A total of 3,484 people were provided with food and/or a hot meal during October, 2018.**

Sacred Heart Food Pantry – 1,081, Fiscal year to date: 7,208. St. Joseph Evening Meal – 1,021, Fiscal year to date: 6,651. The Church of Peace Food Pantry served – 833; fiscal year total: 4,518. Second Baptist Food Pantry 549, Fiscal year to date: 2,839.

**F.) General Assistance Activity – October, 2018: a) Number of Active Clients – 30 b) Number of Intakes – 2**

c) Number Terminated/Denied/Left Program – 9

<b>G.) Emergency Assistance:</b>	October	Fiscal Year 4/1/18 – 3/31/19
a) Number of applications taken	22	144
b) Approved applications	26	116
c) Denied	0	5
d) Not returned	7	58
e) Funds spent \$40,000.08 (\$344.83 average)		

**VI. New Business:**

**VII. Public Comments: Trustees, Assessor, Supervisor, Public:**

-Supervisor Carmen stated they have received 55 reservations for the Holiday Dinner on December 12<sup>th</sup>. Alleman cannot perform this year because of another commitment, but Rock Island High School has agreed to come again this year.

**VIII. Adjournment:** Trustee Gray made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Trustee Kerr. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted



Joan Clark, Town Clerk

**Rock Island Township Mission Statement**

To professionally, courteously, equitably and efficiently administer General Assistance, property assessment and other programs and to properly maintain the Township Hall and property for the benefit of Township residents and the building's tenants.