

**PALATINE TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
August 8, 2022  
7:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Supervisor Kalkounos called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m. in the Patriot Room of the Palatine Township Center.

**ROLL CALL**

Clerk Moran called the roll and the following members were:

**PRESENT IN THE ROOM:**

Voting members – Supervisor Kalkounos, and Trustees Svenson, Bolanos, Freese, and Smolka

Non-voting members- Clerk Moran and Assessor Pohlman

Other invited participants – Administrator Chychula, Attorney Airdo, Road District Director Sachs, Office Manager Strassburger, and IDVA Veterans' Service Officer Shynae Murphy

**IN REMOTE ATTENDANCE:**

Highway Commissioner Del Mar

**VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

At the Supervisor's Request, Shynae Murphy led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**PRESENTATION**

A. Veterans' Affairs Service Officer, Shynae Murphy

Veterans' Affairs Service Officer, Shynae Murphy gave a short presentation on her background and the services provided by her office. She noted that she works 3 days a week at Palatine Township and 2 days a week at Schaumburg Township. In closing she asked the Board to consider providing food to veterans that are in need, and asking for food. The Supervisor confirmed that the Township offers emergency food packs and will follow up on this. The Supervisor thanked Ms. Murphy for her service to country (Navy) and for her service assisting our veterans in the community, and asked her to stay connected with the Board.

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B. Skill Path Training and Star 12 Renewal, Brad Strassburger

Office Manager Strassburger provided a detailed update on training webinars for Township employees and the Board. He noted that the current provider's subscription will expire later this month and offered four additional choices that would provide considerably more options for webinars (all at a cost except the Library option). In closing, he recommended the free Palatine Library subscription option (with a library card), which then allows for accessibility into the *LinkedIn* option. This option will be reviewed more thoroughly and the Board updated.

**ELECTED OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A. Highway Commissioner

No Report

B. Clerk

No Report

C. Assessor

Assessor Pohlman reported that he is currently working on a series of YouTube videos. These video links will be provided on the Assessor's webpage soon.

D. Supervisor

Supervisor Kalkounos reported to the *COW*:

1. Through networking, the *Inverness Fire Protection District and Hoffman Estates Fire Protection District* vacancies may soon be filled.
2. The Township website update is in its last week of edits and soon the Board will be provided a link to the temporary site for review. The site will be more user friendly than the current one.
3. *Back To School Program* distribution was very successful. An approximate 1000 filled backpacks were distributed. The Township received much positive feedback.
4. He will attend the *Better Together* event tomorrow evening, connecting area families with resources, at Falcon Park on August 9. He invited the Board to stop by and visit with staff.
5. The Township is once again coordinating with the *Inverness Fire Protection District*, in providing bus transportation from *Holy Family Church parking lot* to the nearby Fire House for its Open House on Sept. 10.
6. The *Townships of Illinois* annual Conference is currently scheduled from Nov. 13-15, which would conflict with the current November 14 Regular Board Meeting November date. The Supervisor will send out a new replacement date or dates for the Board to consider.

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**BUSINESS**

A. Discussion of IGA with Palatine Township and MWRD

Attorney Airdo reported that there was a two-party Intergovernmental Agreement (*IGA*) between the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District (*MWRD*) and Palatine Township regarding a *FEMA* program that purchases homes in flood plains and then maintains each parcel as open space (no structure allowed except perhaps a playground). A third party is now involved, Cook County, who is reviewing the *IGA*. The *IGA* will then go back to the *MWRD* and Township for reviews. Road District Director Sachs noted that The *Plum Grove Subdivision* has 3 homes that have been approved for this program, including the approval of the IL Historic Preservation Agency (*IHPA*). Highway Commissioner Del Mar expressed his gratitude to Road District Director Sachs for three years of work on behalf of the Township to alleviate problems faced by these homeowners, and to the current Supervisor for his support of these efforts.

B. U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Agreement

Supervisor Kalkounos and Attorney Airdo reported on the current agreement with *The Vet Center*, a tenant of the Township, noting that some discussions regarding insurance coverage were discussed for the final agreement. There was Board consensus to proceed to an approval vote at the next Board Meeting.

C. Other

Supervisor Kalkounos read from the obituary of former Palatine Township Trustee John Mathias, and noted that “our thoughts are with his family”.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

**OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**ADJOURN**

MOTION by Trustee Smolka, seconded by Trustee Freese to adjourn at 8:08 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote

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Respectfully submitted,



TOWN CLERK