

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
South Rock Island Township Board

STATE OF ILLINOIS
County of Rock Island
South Rock Island Township

The South Rock Island Township Board met at the Township Clerk's Office, 4330 11th Street, Rock Island, IL, on April 28, 2025, at 4 o'clock pm.

Roll Call:

Officials present: Supervisor Grace Diaz Shirk as Chair, Trustee Frank Skafidas, Trustee Bill Sowards, and Trustee KJ Whitley. Official absent: Trustee Mark Parr, Jr. Township Clerk Nick Camlin reported the presence of a quorum. Assessor Nichole Parker was also present.

Remote Electronic Attendance:

None.

Approval of the Agenda and Meeting Minutes:

Whitley moved, and Sowards seconded, to approve the Agenda (*Record*). Voice vote. Motion carried.

Skafidas moved, and Whitley seconded, to approve the March 31, 2025, Township Board meeting minutes. Voice vote. Motion carried.

Reports:

Grace Diaz Shirk presented the Supervisor's Report (*Record*). The Supervisor spoke about NCPERS life insurance offering to all Township officials and staff.

Supervisor Shirk announced that Odoni Partners LLC has been selected for the outside audit to be performed by September.

Supervisor Shirk reminded the Township Officials to submit Statements of Economic Interests to the County Clerk by May 1, 2025.

The Supervisor shared a letter from Western Illinois Area Agency on Aging seeking assistance recruiting new volunteers (*Record*).

There was consensus among the Township Board to reconsider insurance decisions for MACI at the next Township Board meeting (*Record*).

Nick Camlin provided the Township Clerk's Report (*Record*). The Township Clerk reviewed the official canvas of votes from the County Clerk for the April 1, 2025, Consolidated General Election (*Record*).

Nichole Parker provided the Assessor's Report (*Record*).

The Supervisor reviewed the March 2025 General/Emergency Assistance Report (*Record*).

The March 2025 Client/Public/Senior Citizen Report was printed on the Agenda.

Treasurer's Report and Town Fund & Relief Fund Bills:

The Supervisor provided the Treasurer's Report for March 2025 (*Record*).

The Township Board audited the bills and claims (*Record*). Skafidas moved, and Sowards seconded, to authorize the payment of the Town Fund and Relief Fund bills and transfers in the amount of \$72,765.30. Roll call vote. Four votes in favor: Skafidas, Sowards, Whitley, and Shirk. No votes in opposition. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

None.

New Business:

Supervisor Shirk moved, and Whitley seconded, to declare a vacancy in a Trustee office due to the death of Mark Parr Jr. Roll call vote. Four votes in favor: Skafidas, Sowards, Whitley, and Shirk. No votes in opposition. Motion carried. Skafidas suggested David Levin, Jim Spurgetis, Jill Twing, Annika Omelia, and David Ellis be

considered for the appointment.

Sowards moved, and Whitley seconded, to approve the purchase of a memorial bench for Trustee Mark Parr Jr in the amount of \$1,500, and will be located at Sunset Park. Roll call vote. Four votes in favor: Skafidas, Sowards, Whitley, and Shirk. No votes in opposition. Motion carried.

Whitley moved, and Skafidas seconded, to approve the FY 2025 budget transfers, as suggested by Hoffman & Tranel accountants (*Record*). Roll call vote. Four votes in favor: Skafidas, Sowards, Whitley, and Shirk. No votes in opposition. Motion carried.

Sowards moved, and Skafidas seconded, to approve the Resolution for OMA Review of Minutes of A Meeting Lawfully Closed (*Record*). Voice vote. Motion carried.

No action was taken on requests for donations for the Rock Island-Milan Booster Club golf outing, the Friendship Manor Birdies for Charities, and the Bethany Birdies for Charities.

Whitley moved, and Sowards seconded, to donate up to \$2,000 to Earl Hanson School for t-shirts for students and staff, provided that the Township is in the design, the project is sales tax-exempt, and three bids are obtained. Roll call vote. Four votes in favor: Skafidas, Sowards, Whitley, and Shirk. No votes in opposition. Motion carried.

Supervisor Shirk moved, and Sowards seconded, to donate \$750 to Quad City Community Foundation for the multi-generational community building event on May 16, 2025. Roll call vote. Four votes in favor: Skafidas, Sowards, Whitley, and Shirk. No votes in opposition. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

Supervisor Shirk thanked Township Clerk Camlin and Trustee Skafidas for their service to the Township.

Skafidas thanked the Supervisor for posting the meeting Agenda online.

Skafidas discussed the Department of Transportation meeting held regarding the Centennial Bridge.

Skafidas elaborated on the 2016 travel policy and provided the minutes from the meeting (*Record*).

Skafidas provided a copy of the statement he read at the Annual Town Meeting (*Record*).

Camlin expressed his appreciation to the Township for being so good to him, and wished everyone well into the future.

Adjournment:

At 5:01 pm Sowards moved, and Whitley seconded, to adjourn the meeting.

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BY THE SOUTH ROCK ISLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD ON MAY 19, 2025.**

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Township Clerk

Date