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**“Special” October 1, 2025, Board Meeting Minutes - Approved**

**Call to Order/Roll Call** – The October 1, 2025, South Rock Island Township “Special” Board meeting was called to order at 4:03 PM by Supervisor Grace Diaz Shirk.

Elected Board Officials Present:

- Supervisor Grace Diaz Shirk (Chair), Clerk KJ Whitley, Trustees – Bill Sowards, Diana Hebbeln, Jonah Sallows-Hines

Elected Board Officials Not Present:

- Trustee – Chris Elsberg

Other Elected Officials Present:

- Assessor Nichole Parker

**Remote Electronic Attendance (if necessary)** - None

**Approval of the Agenda** - Sowards moved, and Hebbeln seconded, to approve the **October 1, 2025** South Rock Island Township “Special” Board meeting agenda. Voice vote. Motion carried.

**Unfinished Business**

**Approval of Official Audit for FY 2025 – Presented by Supervisor Shirk (Record)** - Supervisor Shirk presented the Board with an updated draft (#2) of the South Rock Island Township Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025, received from Odoni Partners, LLC on October 1, 2025. She reported that the depreciation entry of \$23,942 included in the initial draft received September 29, 2025, was removed, as it was not applicable to the Township’s audit reporting and was inconsistent with prior audits. She further advised that the Township is in good financial standing and currently maintains fund balances of approximately 2.5 times the amount needed to continue operations.

The Board reviewed the October 1, 2025 draft and discussed future audit planning, noting that the audit was received after the September 30, 2025 State deadline. It was acknowledged that there is a statewide shortage of auditors, and the Board discussed the possibility of broadening its search for audit services moving forward to help ensure timely completion.

Shirk moved, and Hebbeln seconded, to approve the Annual Financial Report for FY 2024–2025, as reflected in the updated draft audit dated October 1, 2025, prepared by Odoni Partners, LLC. Roll call vote: 4 Ayes – Shirk, Hebbeln, Sowards, Sallows-Hines; 0 Nays. Motion carried.

**Public Comments**

Supervisor Shirk reported that concerns had been expressed regarding the Clerk video recording Township meetings via Zoom. She advised that, upon review, video recording is permissible, as Township meetings are public body meetings and may be recorded.

**Adjournment**

**Hebbeln** moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:32 PM, and the motion was seconded by **Sowards**. Motion carried.

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**Next Meeting**

The next South Rock Island Township Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 27, 2025, at 4:00 PM.

**THIS IS A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING APPROVED BY THE SOUTH ROCK ISLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD ON DECEMBER 22, 2025.**

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