



Minutes of a Meeting of the  
Joliet Township Board  
175 W. Jefferson St., Joliet, IL 60432  
Tuesday, March 23, 2021

The regular town board meeting, being held at 175 West Jefferson Street, Joliet Township government offices, Tuesday, March 23, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. was called to order by Supervisor Daniel L. Vera. The meeting was held via telephone conference due to ongoing concerns with Covid-19. The following official business was transacted:

The Clerk led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. The Clerk called the roll as follows:

TRUSTEES:                    Raymond F. Slattery                    Present  
                                 Archie Gavin                            Present  
                                 Rosie Verdin                            Present  
                                 Brian Hertzmann                    Present

SUPERVISOR:                Daniel L. Vera                            Present

CLERK:                        Julie A. Kinsella                        Present

OTHER OFFICIALS:        Commissioner Michael Turnbull Present  
                                 Assessor James Brenczewski    Present

ALSO PRESENT:    Township Finance Director Colleen Witt, Township Attorney James Harvey, and Diane Harris.

**Approval of the Minutes:**

Regular Town Minutes/March 9, 2021: Trustee Slattery moved to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2021 Town Board Meeting, and to waive the reading of these minutes inasmuch as copies had previously been delivered. Seconded by Trustee Gavin. A roll call vote was taken.<sup>1</sup>

**Public Comment: NONE**

**New Business:**

Approve /Agenda for the 2021 Annual Town Meeting to be held on April 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Supervisor Vera noted that the proposed agenda for the 2021 Annual Town Meeting scheduled for April 13, 2021 had been sent to the board. Trustee Slattery moved to approve 2021 Annual Town Meeting Agenda. Seconded by Trustee Verdin. A roll call vote was taken.<sup>2</sup>

Approve/ Compensation-Animal Control- Trustee Slattery moved to approve the compensation for the Joliet Township Animal Control personnel in the following amounts: Director McGill from \$49,939.20 to \$52,650.00 per annum; Assistant Director Gomez from \$21.97 per hour to \$24.00 per hour; Vet Tech Sheridan from \$17.00 per hour to \$18.00 per hour; and Calisa

<sup>1</sup> Roll call vote: Ayes (5) Trustees Slattery, Gavin, Verdin, Hertzmann, and Supervisor Vera. Nays (0).  
<sup>2</sup> Roll call vote: Ayes (5) Trustees Slattery, Gavin, Verdin, Hertzmann, and Supervisor Vera. Nays (0).

McGill from \$14.86 per hour to \$16.50 per hour. Motion seconded by Trustee Gavin. A roll call vote was taken.<sup>3</sup>

**Reports:**

Supervisor Vera: Supervisor Vera reported meeting with Joliet Township Animal Control and Township Attorney Jim Harvey for some JTAC issues as well as with meetings with the Village of Rockdale and the City of Joliet for Animal Control issues. He thanked Attorney Harvey for his help with the Animal Control issues. He also stated that the last of the tree trimming was completed on Friday. And the Lane Improvement project at Oakwood Cemetery will be getting started in April to complete the west half of Oakwood Cemetery lanes. Other than that, day-to-day operations.

Town Clerk: Clerk Kinsella reported that she had been busy with preparing for the meetings and other than that, day-to-day operations.

Finance Director: Director Witt reported that the tax extension figures have been received for the 2020 Levy today. The Levy for General Town was \$2,472,065.00. The tax extension which was received was for \$2,473,576.00 which is slightly higher due to rounding. Witt also stated that the Road District Levy was for \$1,781,240.00 and the extension received was for \$1,782,281.00, which again, was slightly higher due to rounding. Witt noted that Road District Levy is shared with other municipalities, and we do not yet know the percentages that will need to be paid out of that until a time in April. She stated that last year's payout percentage was approximately 43% of last year's Levy, and she expects a similar amount this year. Witt said that once she receives those figures, she will pass them along to the Highway Commissioner. She is also working on year-end reports and day-to-day operations.

Attorney Harvey: Attorney Harvey reported routine advising of officials and staff as needed.

Assessor: Assessor Brenczewski reported that his offices will be "live" with the new CAMA system on Thursday, April 1, 2021 which will end their double entries of data, and other than that, day-to-day operations.

Highway Commissioner: Commissioner Turnbull had stated that he is prepping for the end of the fiscal year in the office day-to-day operations. Commissioner is working with Jeff Ronaldson and Gregg Mounts from Hutchison Engineering for sidewall separation bridge repair on Zurich Road and will use a Rebuild Illinois grant for that. He also reported that staff has been dealing with major electrical issues with some of the trucks due to the salt eating through the wiring. He is also doing garbage pick-up and cleaning drains. Commissioner also stated that they had worked on a basin repair on Zarley Boulevard.

**Receipts:** Trustee Slattery made a motion to deposit all cash receipts into their proper accounts as presented for the period ending March 23, 2021. Seconded by Trustee Gavin. Roll call vote was taken.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>3</sup> Roll Call Vote: Ayes (5) Trustees Slattery, Gavin, Verdin, Hertzmann, and Supervisor Vera. Nays (0)

<sup>4</sup> Roll Call Vote: Ayes (5) Trustees Slattery, Gavin, Verdin, Hertzmann, and Supervisor Vera. Nays (0)

**Expenditures:** The Supervisor presented the following invoices for Town Board approval for the period ending March 23, 2021:

<u>FUND</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
General Town	\$84,666.27
Motion: Trustee Gavin	
Second: Trustee Slattery	
Roll Call: Ayes 5, Nays 0 <sup>5</sup>	

Capital Fund: No bills presented for this fund.

General Assistance	\$5,595.42
Motion: Trustee Slattery	
Second: Trustee Verdin	
Roll Call: Ayes 5, Nays 0 <sup>6</sup>	

Road and Bridge	\$21,714.97
Motion: Trustee Hertzmann	
Second: Trustee Gavin	
Roll Call: Ayes 5, Nays 0 <sup>7</sup>	

Commissioner Turnbull asserted that he was in agreement with the bills presented for payment.

Animal Control	\$25,508.68
Motion: Trustee Verdin	
Second: Trustee Gavin	
Roll Call: Ayes 5, Nays 0 <sup>8</sup>	

Senior Fund: No bills presented for this fund

**Closed Session:** NONE

**Adjournment:** Trustee Hertzmann moved to adjourn the town board meeting to Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Verdin. A roll call vote was taken.<sup>9</sup> The March 23, 2021 meeting adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Kinsella, Town Clerk

<sup>5</sup> Roll Call Vote: Ayes (5) Trustees Slattery, Gavin, Verdin, Hertzmann, and Supervisor Vera. Nays (0)

<sup>6</sup> Roll Call Vote: Ayes (5) Trustees Slattery, Gavin, Verdin, Hertzmann, and Supervisor Vera. Nays (0)

<sup>7</sup> Roll Call Vote: Ayes (5) Trustees Slattery, Gavin, Verdin, Hertzmann, and Supervisor Vera. Nays (0)

<sup>8</sup> Roll Call Vote: Ayes (5) Trustees Slattery, Gavin, Verdin, Hertzmann, and Supervisor Vera. Nays (0)

<sup>9</sup> Roll Call Vote: Ayes (5) Trustees Slattery, Gavin, Verdin, Hertzmann, and Supervisor Vera. Nays (0)