



The Special Town Board Meeting, being held at 175 West Jefferson Street, Joliet Township government offices, Tuesday, July 16, 2024, at 5:00 P.M. was called to order by Trustee Slattery. The following official business was transacted:

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

<b>TRUSTEES:</b>	Tanya Arias	Present
	Antione J. Edwards	Present
	Cesar Escutia	Present
	Raymond F. Slattery	Present
<b>SUPERVISOR:</b>	Angel Contreras	Not Present
	Alicia Morales	Present - Appointed as Supervisor at 5:05PM
<b>CLERK:</b>	Alicia Morales	Present - Clerk Vacancy at 5:07PM
<b>OTHER OFFICIALS:</b>	Commissioner Vince Alessio	Present
	Assessor James Brenzewski	Not Present

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Deputy Clerk Estefany Bonilla	Attorney Bryan Wellner
Executive Assistant Ana Campa Castillo	Media Specialist Isabel Gloria

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:** Trustee Edwards asks for a motion to appoint Trustee Slattery as the Chairperson to conduct the Special Town Board Meeting opened this Tuesday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024, in the absence of the Supervisor. Trustee Escutia seconds. All in Favor. Motion Carried.<sup>1</sup>

**AMEND THE AGENDA:** Trustee Slattery accepts the appointment as the Chairperson and asks for a motion to amend the agenda by moving PUBLIC COMMENT after NEW BUSINESS. Trustee Escutia motions. Trustee Edwards seconds. All in Favor. Motion Carried.<sup>2</sup>

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ADOPT/Resolution No. 2024-02 Declaring Vacancy, Township Supervisor**

Trustee Escutia read Resolution No. 2024-02 to the audience as follows:

**“RESOLUTION NO. 2024-02**

**RESOLUTION DECLARING A SUPERVISOR VACANCY IN THE JOLIET TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT OFFICE**

**WHEREAS,** Angel Contreras has served honorably as the Supervisor in the Joliet Township Government; and,  
**WHEREAS,** Angel Contreras resigned his position as Supervisor effective July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and leaving his term of office unfilled.

<sup>1</sup> All in Favor: Ayes (4). Trustees Arias, Edwards, Escutia and Slattery. Nays (0).

<sup>2</sup> All in Favor: Ayes (4). Trustees Arias, Edwards, Escutia and Slattery. Nays (0).

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of Joliet Township Government that a vacancy exists in the Office of the Joliet Township Government on July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**PASSED** this 16<sup>th</sup> Day of July, 2024.

**APPROVED** this 16<sup>th</sup> Day of July, 2024.”

Trustee Slattery asks for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2024-02 Declaring Vacancy, Township Supervisor. Trustee Arias motions. Seconded by Trustee Edwards. A roll call was taken. Motion carried.<sup>3</sup>

**ADOPT/Resolution No. 2024-03 to Appoint a New Township Supervisor**

Trustee Escutia reads Resolution No. 2024-03 to the audience as follows:

**“RESOLUTION NO. 2024-03**

**JOLIET TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES WARRANT OF APPOINTMENT**

**WHEREAS**, Angel Contreras was elected as the Joliet Township Government Supervisor, on April 6, 2021; and,  
**WHEREAS**, Angel Contreras, on July 12, 2024, resigned from the Joliet Township Supervisor's position effective July 12<sup>th</sup>; and,

**WHEREAS**, in doing so Angel Contreras resigned his position as Township Supervisor which created a vacancy in the Supervisor's office; and,

**WHEREAS**, the vacancy was created and the Township Trustees desiring to have the advice and counsel of Alicia Morales as Township Supervisor, take the following action.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of Joliet Township, that Alicia Morales is appointed Township Supervisor of Joliet Township to fill the vacancy, effective July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The Town Deputy Clerk is directed to issue forthwith a certified copy of this Warrant of Appointment and deliver the same to the said Alicia Morales, notifying her of her appointment as Township Supervisor of Joliet Township.

**THIS RESOLUTION** shall be in full force and effective on Tuesday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**PASSED** this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July 2024.

**APPROVED** this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July 2024.”

Trustee Slattery asks for a motion to approve Resolution No. 2024-03 to Appoint a New Township Supervisor. Trustee Edwards motions. Seconded by Trustee Escutia. A roll call was taken. Motion carried.<sup>4</sup>

**ADOPT/Resolution No. 2024-04 Declaring Vacancy, Town Clerk**

Trustee Escutia reads Resolution No. 2024-04 to the audience as follows:

**“RESOLUTION NO. 2024-04**

**RESOLUTION DECLARING A TOWN CLERK VACANCY IN THE JOLIET TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT OFFICE**

**WHEREAS**, Alicia Morales has served honorably as the Town Clerk in the Joliet Township Government; and,

**WHEREAS**, Alicia Morales resigned her position as Town Clerk effective July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and leaving her term of office unfilled.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of Joliet Township Government that a vacancy exists in the Office of the Joliet Township Government on July 16, 2024.

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<sup>3</sup> Roll call vote: Ayes (4). Trustees Arias, Edwards, Escutia and Slattery. Nays (0).

<sup>4</sup> Roll call vote: Ayes (4). Trustees Arias, Edwards, Escutia and Slattery. Nays (0).

**PASSED** this 16<sup>th</sup> Day of July, 2024.

**APPROVED** this 16<sup>th</sup> Day of July, 2024.”

Trustee Slattery asks for a motion to approve Resolution No. 2024-04 Declaring Vacancy, Town Clerk. Trustee Escutia motions. Seconded by Trustee Arias. A roll call was taken. Motion carried.<sup>5</sup>

**OATH OF OFFICE:** Honorable Judge Vincent F. Cornelius does the honor of administrating the Oath of Office to Alicia Morales as Joliet Township Supervisor. Alicia Morales read the Oath of Office as follows before Honorable Judge Vincent F. Cornelius:

“I, **ALICIA MORALES**, having been appointed to the position of **SUPERVISOR** in the **TOWNSHIP OF JOLIET** in the **COUNTY OF WILL, DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR** or affirm, that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of **JOLIET TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR** to the best of my ability, so help me God.”

Honorable Judge Vincent F. Cornelius congratulates Supervisor Morales and signs the Oath of Office this 16<sup>th</sup> Day of July, 2024.

**APPROVE/Designation of Person(s) as Bank Account Signatories**

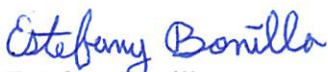
Supervisor Morales asks for a motion to approve the Designation of Person(s) as Bank Account Signatories. Trustee Escutia motions. Seconded by Trustee Slattery. A roll call was taken. Motion carried.<sup>6</sup>

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Larry Crawford from Precinct 12 stated that he did not believe it was the best approach to move PUBLIC COMMENTS after NEW BUSINESS so that opinions that may be contrary to the proceedings may not be heard by the Trustees. Mr. Crawford is disappointed for that reason and brought up his concerns based on the rapid timeframe that it took to make the decision to appoint a new Township Supervisor. Aside from his concerns, Mr. Crawford congratulated Supervisor Morales for her new position. Sandra Aguirre from Joliet Township District 86 Board Member at large and Committee woman of Precinct 13 congratulates Supervisor Morales for the new position. Ms. Aguirre states that Mr. Contreras did a wonderful job and is proud of both. Ms. Aguirre shares to the audience that Supervisor Morales is the best, strongest, amazing and intelligent woman to do the job. The Joliet Township Highway Commissioner Vincent Alessio states how he understands the difficulty in the transitioning period for the entire Joliet Township staff and is proud at the way the staff has been handling it as far. The Highway Commissioner also thanked the road workers from the County, the City of Joliet, IDOT, all the electrical power workers, as Mr. Alessio is a former IBEW Local 9 member, and the Road District for everything they have done. The Highway Commissioner is proud of Mr. Contreras and considers him one of his biggest influences and is happy to continue the role as Highway Commissioner with Supervisor Morales.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Supervisor Morales asks for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Arias motions. Trustee Slattery seconds. A roll call was taken. Motion Carried.<sup>7</sup>

The meeting adjourned at 5:23PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Estefany Bonilla  
Deputy Clerk

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<sup>5</sup> Roll call vote: Ayes (4). Trustees Arias, Edwards, Escutia and Slattery. Nays (0).

<sup>6</sup> Roll call vote: Ayes (5). Trustees Arias, Edwards, Escutia, Slattery and Supervisor Morales. Nays (0).

<sup>7</sup> Roll call vote: Ayes (5). Trustees Arias, Edwards, Escutia, Slattery and Supervisor Morales. Nays (0).