

**PLATO TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Plato Town Hall, Plato Center, IL
July 20, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Maroder called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

ROLL CALL

Present: Supervisor Tim Maroder; Trustees: Joe Hulke, Mike McMahon, Ron Straub, and Heather Wallace; Township Clerk Beth Gehrke; and Highway Commissioner Larry Trainor.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

There were no citizens to be heard.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Clerk Gehrke emailed the Township Officials the June 27, 2023, regular board meeting minutes and the June 27, 2023, budget and appropriations hearing minutes prior to tonight's meeting.

A motion to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2023, regular board meeting was made by McMahon, seconded by Hulke. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2023, budget and appropriations hearing minutes was made by Straub, seconded by McMahon. Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Maroder emailed the financials to the Township's Officials prior to the meeting.

Financial Reports, Warrants, & Affirm Bills

Total Current Assets:	Plato Township Town	\$ 976,360.54
	Plato Road	1,613,066.44

A motion to approve the July 2023, warrants and financial reports subject to audit was made by McMahon, seconded by Hulke. Motion carried. (Roll call: Hulke - aye, McMahon - aye, Straub - aye, Wallace - aye, Maroder - aye)

Park Report

Maroder reported the regular baseball season is over.

The large parking lot will be swept and seal coated later this year.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

The Road District has been working very hard with clean up from the July 12th tornado damage.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

Assessor Roush provided the board with a written report was reviewed and is attached.

CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Gehrke reported B&As were filed with the county.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Vote

As Supervisor Maroder has moved out of the township, it was necessary to appoint a new supervisor. Trustee Mike McMahon had submitted a letter of interest which had been emailed to the board members prior to the meeting.

A motion to appoint Michael McMahon as Township Supervisor was made by Wallace, seconded by Hulke. Motion carried. (Roll call: Hulke - aye, McMahon - aye, Straub - aye, Wallace - aye, Maroder - aye)

Newsletter

McMahon provided the board with a draft layout of a newsletter. He asked for comments, corrections, or suggestions. Changes include dropping the planning and development committee request until committee parameters are created, placing an email address by the request for cemetery board members, and changing the supervisor's name.

NEW BUSINESS

Emergency Storm Cleanup Ordinance

Board members were provided with draft ordinance No. 2023-1 An Ordinance Authorizing the Use of Permanent Road Funds for the Collection , Transporting and Disposing of Brush and Leaves in the Township and Approving Certain Disaster Relief and Support Services Related to the Storm Event of July 12, 2023.

Commissioner Trainor explained the extra work which had to be completed in cleaning up trees and brush which had been a result of a tornado in the township on July 12. Additional funds are needed for this work. He said they will continue to pick up limbs and brush until the end of the month.

A motion to pass Ordinance No. 2023-1 An Ordinance Authorizing the Use of Permanent Road Funds for the Collection, Transporting and Disposing of Brush and Leaves in the Township and Approving Certain Disaster Relief and Support Services Related to the Storm Event of July 12, 2023, was made by Straub, seconded by McMahon. Motion carried. (Roll call: Hulke - aye, McMahon - aye, Straub - aye, Wallace - aye)

Wallace stated another mosquito abatement spraying was needed. Supervisor McMahon will contact Clarke to authorize another treatment.

As Trustee McMahon has taken on the position of Supervisor, a Trustee vacancy has been created. The board requested that those interested in the position of Trustee submit a letter of interest or notify the Supervisor by August 15. A notice will be placed on the township website.

The town hall's janitor has not had a pay raise in many years. This item will be on September's agenda.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 6:54PM by Straub, seconded by McMahon. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Gehrke, Plato Township Clerk

Approved by:

Mike McMahon, Supervisor

Joe Hulke, Trustee

Ron Straub, Trustee

Heather Wallace, Trustee

TO: Plato Township Board

RE: Assessor Report

Date: July 19, 2023

June 27, 2023 - July 19, 2023

Sales processed: 47

Permits House processed: 27

Measured Homes: 0

Permits Extras processed: 118

Measured Extras: 0

Address Changes processed: 55

Divisions/Consolidations: 0

Parcel Count: 5526

The 30-day review period for assessment complaints ended July 14th. We have 47 hearings as of July 19th. Preparing for these complaints takes most of my time.

We received May and June new construction from Elgin on July 12th. We are in the process of measuring them now while the weather is holding out.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet Roush - CIAO
Plato Township Assessor