

Meeting Minutes ~ Board of Town Trustees

STATE OF ILLINOIS,)
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Winnebago County, { ss.
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Town of Harlem,)

THE BOARD OF TOWN TRUSTEES met at the Office of the Town Clerk at 819 Melbourne Avenue, Machesney Park, Illinois on December 17, 2025.

PHYSICALLY PRESENT:	<u>Aaron McKnight</u>	Chairman
	<u>Matthew Gabel</u>	Town Clerk
	<u>Sheryl Crowley</u>	Town Trustee
	<u>Josh Gesner</u>	Town Trustee
	<u>Lory Seagren</u>	Town Trustee
	<u>Ron Esser</u>	Town Trustee

Mr. Aaron McKnight acting as chairman, and Matthew Gabel as Clerk.

The following official business was transacted:

Others present: Road Commissioner Ed Tegland, Tax Assessor Jon Vaiden, Deputy Supervisor Dawn Frank, Attorney Gino Galluzzo.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30PM.

Trustee Gesner gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
Roll call was taken, and a quorum declared present.

A motion was made by Trustee Gesner to approve the November 19, 2025, regular board meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Esser. Motion carried. 5 Ayes (Trustee Esser, Crowley, Seagren, Gesner and Supervisor McKnight).

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- General Assistance Report – 0 active, 0 pending, 0 application, 2 terminated, 0 denied.
- Financial Reports – On file.

ATTORNEY COMMENTS: None.

ELECTED OFFICIAL'S REPORTS:

Supervisor: None.

Assessor: Toys for Kids Program was a success, gifts for over 100 children were handed out. First scheduled hearing for assessment complaints is in January.

Clerk: None.

Road Commissioner: Culvert pipes in Hinkleswoods need to be replaced. New plow truck and spreader got fixed by Bonnell. We have been plowing daily due to the amount of snow we have received. 400 tons of salt has been delivered. 2026 appropriations have been submitted to Winnebago County.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

Approval of Bills for Payment – Town – General Assistance – Park – Road & Bridge

Town Fund: A motion was made by Trustee Crowley to approve payment of the Town Fund Bills in the amount of \$39,753.61. Seconded by Trustee Gesner. Motion carried. 5 Ayes (Trustee Esser, Crowley, Seagren, Gesner and Supervisor McKnight).

G.A. Fund: A motion was made by Trustee Esser to approve payment of the G.A. Bills in the amount of \$10,712.39. Seconded by Trustee Crowley. Motion carried. 5 Ayes (Trustee Esser, Crowley, Seagren, Gesner and Supervisor McKnight).

Park Fund: A motion was made by Trustee Gesner to approve payment of the Park Fund Bills in the amount of \$5,635.96. Seconded by Trustee Crowley. Motion carried. 5 Ayes (Trustee Esser, Crowley, Seagren, Gesner and Supervisor McKnight).

Road & Bridge Fund: A motion was made by Trustee Seagren to approve payment of the Road & Bridge Fund Bills in the amount of \$37,532.72. Seconded by Trustee Gesner. Motion carried. 5 Ayes (Trustee Esser, Crowley, Seagren, Gesner and Supervisor McKnight).

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Trustee Esser to enter into an Executive Session. Seconded by Trustee Gesner. Motion carried. 5 Ayes (Trustee Esser, Crowley, Seagren, Gesner and Supervisor McKnight).

A motion was made by Trustee Esser to exit an Executive Session. Seconded by Trustee Gesner. Motion carried. 5 Ayes (Trustee Esser, Crowley, Seagren, Gesner and Supervisor McKnight).

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Trustee Esser to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Seagren. Motion carried. 5 Ayes (Trustee Esser, Crowley, Seagren, Gesner and Supervisor McKnight).

The meeting adjourned at 6:00PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Matthew Gabel
Harlem Township Clerk