

# Meeting Minutes ~ Board of Town Trustees

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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 May 21, 2025.

PHYSICALLY PRESENT:	<u>Matthew Gabel</u>	Town Clerk
	<u>Sheryl Crowley</u>	Town Trustee
	<u>Joshua Gesner</u>	Town Trustee
	<u>Lory Seagren</u>	Town Trustee
	<u>Aaron McKnight</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, Assessor Jon Vaiden, Deputy Supervisor Dawn Frank. Attorney Gary Galluzzo.

The meeting was called to order at 5:57PM.

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

## Resignation

### Acceptance of Resignation by Trustee Aaron McKnight

Motion was made by Trustee Gesner, seconded by Trustee Crowley. Motion carried. 3 Ayes (Trustee Crowley, Gesner, Seagren).

### Appointment to the Office of Township Supervisor to fill a vacancy in the office for the term ending May 2029

Motion was made by Trustee Crowley, seconded by Trustee Seagren. Motion carried. 3 Ayes (Trustee Crowley, Gesner, Seagren).

### Appointment of Ron Esser as Trustee to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Trustee Aaron McKnight for the term ending May 2029

Motion was made by Trustee Crowley, seconded by Trustee Gesner. Motion carried. 4 Ayes (Trustee Crowley, Gesner, Seagren and Supervisor McKnight).

A motion was made by Trustee Esser to approve the April 16, 2025, regular board meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Gesner. Motion carried. 5 Ayes (Trustee Esser, Gesner, Crowley, Seagren and Supervisor McKnight).

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- General Assistance Report – 5 active, 0 pending, 0 application, 1 terminated, 0 denied.
- Financial Reports – On file.

**ATTORNEY COMMENTS:** None.

**ELECTED OFFICIAL'S REPORTS:**

**Supervisor:** Congratulated everyone on election. Discussed Community Building future use.

**Assessor:** Discussed new construction, existing building permits, workbook looking to be completed mid-June.

**Clerk:** None.

**Road Commissioner:** Attended TOIRMA meeting in April, discussed speeding vehicles on Atwood Road, measured all of our roads so we know exactly what we manage, road work continued to be worked on and completed.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Resolution 04-2025 – Resolution Authorizing Supervisor to Purchase and Install New ADA Security Door (Not to Exceed \$10,000)**

Motion was made by Trustee Crowley, seconded by Trustee Esser. Motion carried. 5 Ayes (Trustee Crowley, Gesner, Esser, Seagren and Supervisor McKnight).

Discussion.

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

**Town Fund:** A motion was made by Trustee Gesner to approve payment of the Town Fund Bills in the amount of \$43,193.49. Seconded by Trustee Esser. Motion carried. 5 Ayes (Trustee Esser, Gesner, Crowley, Seagren and Supervisor McKnight).

**G.A. Fund:** A motion was made by Trustee Gesner to approve payment of the G.A. Bills in the amount of \$7,786.45. Seconded by Trustee Seagren. Motion carried. 5 Ayes (Trustee Esser, Gesner, Crowley, Seagren and Supervisor McKnight).

**Park Fund:** A motion was made by Trustee Esser to approve payment of the Park Fund Bills in the amount of \$4,964.00. Seconded by Trustee Crowley. Motion carried. 5 Ayes (Trustee Esser, Gesner, Crowley, Seagren and Supervisor McKnight).

**Road & Bridge Fund:** A motion was made by Trustee Crowley to approve payment of the Road & Bridge Fund Bills in the amount of \$68,654.38. Seconded by Trustee Gesner. Motion carried. 5 Ayes (Trustee Esser, Gesner, Crowley, Seagren and Supervisor McKnight).

**FURTHER DISCUSSION OF TOWNSHIP MATTERS:**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

The meeting adjourned at 6:13PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Matthew Gabel  
Harlem Township Clerk