

- I. Call to Order/Roll Call: Supervisor McGuire called the Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Clerk Dolan Baumer called the roll; present were Trustees Beattie, Essick, Noyola, and Martinez, and Supervisor McGuire.
Others present were Assessor Khaja Moinuddin, Facilities and Road Maintenance Director Caleb Hanson, Aging Services Director Megan Conway, Community and Government Relations Director Tom Kuttentberg, Community Health Director Kristen Smith, Emergency Services Deputy Chief Lonnie Williams, Youth and Family Services Director Tina Houdek, Assistant Administrator Kristin Vana, Administrator James Barr, Administrative Assistant Hailey Matich, and Attorney Mike Airdo. Mr. John Kokarewich and his family and friends, and representatives of the Sikh community.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance: Supervisor McGuire invited everyone to stand and join him in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- III. Town Hall: Supervisor McGuire asked if there was anyone in the audience who had comments to make or questions to ask of the Board. There were no responses. Mr. McGuire closed the Town Hall.
- IV. Presentations:
 - A. Veteran Captain John W. Tokarewich of Bartlett served in the U.S. Army from 1985 to 2015 and was honored by the Board today as he was inducted into the Hanover Township Veterans Honor Roll.
 - B. Trustee Martinez moved the Board declare April Sikh Awareness and Appreciation month in Hanover Township; motion seconded by Trustee Beattie and carried by a roll call vote: Ayes: Trustees Beattie, Essick, Noyola, and Martinez, and Supervisor McGuire. Representatives of the Sikh community were welcomed to receive the declaration.

“Whereas, Sikhs have been living in the United States for more than 130 years, and during the early 20th century, thousands of Sikh Americans worked on farms, in lumber mills and mines, and on the Oregon, Pacific & Eastern Railroad; and whereas Sikhism is the fifth largest religion in the world and today, there are more than 26 million Sikhs worldwide and an estimated 500,000 Sikh Americans; and whereas, Sikh Americans pursue diverse professions, and make rich contributions to the social, cultural, and economic vibrancy of the United States, including service as members of the United States Armed Forces and made significant contributions to our great nation in agriculture, information technology, small businesses, the hotel industry, trucking, medicine, technology; and whereas, Sikh Americans distinguish themselves by fostering respect among all people through faith and service; and whereas, Hanover Township is committed to educating citizens about the world’s religions, the value of religious diversity, tolerance grounded in First Amendment principles, a culture of mutual understanding, and the diminution of violence. Now, therefore be it resolved by the Hanover Township Board of Trustees, Cook County, Illinois, that the month of April 2024 is Sikh Awareness and Appreciation Month in Hanover Township.”
- V. Reports:
 - A. Supervisor’s Report: Supervisor McGuire reported that he and Administrator Barr and Director Kuttentberg met at a roundtable discussion with President Prekwinkle, her staff and Commissioner Morrison and thanked them for their assistance with the Rohrsen bridge project. The new Streamwood Trustee was welcomed at the Township for a tour this past week. He held Mental Health Board member and Senior Citizens Services Committee member interviews.
 - B. Clerk’s Report: Clerk Dolan Baumer reminded the Board that the 2024 TOCC Spring Conference would be held on June 13 and to please register. Condolences to the family of Clerk Karen Yarbrough. Also, the Clerks meeting on May 2 would be held in New Trier at their township hall.

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- C. Assessor's Report: Assessor Moinuddin reported that the deadline to file for exemption savings for tax year 2023 is Monday, April 29, 2024. If you received an application booklet in the mail, please mail it in immediately or apply online. As a reminder property tax savings are reflected on the 2nd Installment Property Tax Bill.
- D. Department Reports: Reports were submitted for review by the Board for review; highlights this period included Director Kuttentberg reporting that SB2704 regarding emergency services volunteers tax credit eligibility is in the House of Representatives finance committee for review. He reminded the Board of the Bartlett Chamber meeting of area villages coming up this month. Deputy Administrator Vana reported that resident services brought in \$209,000 in FY24. Alex Imperato will be receiving her CIAO designation and will be the fourth staff member to be cross trained with the Assessor's office and resident services. She reported that Director Imperato attended the case workers conference with 74 attendees. Mental Health Board Manager Teachout would participate in a town hall to discuss mental health resources in the northwest suburbs. Director Conway discussed how Title 3 B, E and D affect the department. 3B the aging and stability network. The department applied for the full grant amount. 3E pertains to caregivers and the department applied for the full grant amount, as well. They would not pursue 3D at this time. The volunteer luncheon would be held on Thursday. A bus driver position has been filled. Director Houdek reported that the partnership between the Township and the Streamwood Park District for the soccer tournament registration is open and will run for six weeks. The Open Gym meeting with U-46 has been postponed until next week. May 17 would be the last Open Gym for Spring and it would start again on June 3 for the summer session. The department would participate in Mayor Craig's Health and Resource fair. The department has been invited to participate in the mental health awareness week at the Streamwood High School. The Youth and Family Services garage sale would be held in June, raising money for the Youth Leadership conference in July. Fifteen students would be participating in the Township Student Government Day. Director Smith reported that 58 people have been trained in CPR this spring; 34 donors gave blood during the recent blood drive; and 78 cardiovascular screenings were held by Lifeline recently. Blood pressure screening would be held in Hanover Park next month. 156 people are registered for the stroke awareness consultations in May. Chief Deputy Williams reported that Director Crews is attending a conference this week. He is currently writing the curriculum for the Elgin Community College drone program. The unit has participated in traffic control in Hanover Park, Bartlett, and Elgin, as well as fires in Bartlett and South Elgin. Training of new volunteers is ongoing. The department has participated in state and county table top exercises. Director Hanson reported that seasonal mowing is ongoing, as is curbside spraying of invasive herbs. The Facilities and Road Maintenance headquarters plans are being finalized for presentation to the Village of Bartlett. A search is ongoing for a full-time groundskeeper and six open seasonal employees. Administrator Barr reported that Management Intern Muhammed Yahya has graduated with his master's in public administration – congratulations to him! The Metropolitan Township Association government day with State Representatives and Senators.
- VI. Bill Paying: Mr. Barr presented the bills for payment from April 9, 2024 through April 22, 2024 as follows:
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| a. | Town | \$40,025.81 |
| b. | Senior Services | 47,436.42 |
| c. | General Assistance | 7,998.67 |
| d. | Road Maintenance | 5,909.00 |
| e. | Mental Health Board | 168,423.58 |
| f. | Capital | <u>16,200.00</u> |
| | Total | <u>\$285,993.48</u> |

A motion was made by Trustee Martinez and seconded by Trustee Beattie to approve payment of the bills as presented from April 9, 2024 through April 22, 2024. Roll call: Ayes: Trustees Beattie, Martinez,

Essick, and Noyola, and Supervisor McGuire. Nays: None. Motion carried and the bills will be paid.

VII. Unfinished Business: No unfinished business was brought forward.

VIII. New Business:

A. Rescheduled Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2024: Trustee Essick moved that the Board approve the rescheduled meeting minutes of April 9, 2024; motion seconded by Trustee Noyola. Roll call: Ayes: Trustees Beattie, Martinez, Essick, and Noyola, and Supervisor McGuire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

B. Resolution to Authorize the Provision of Mental Health Services to Young Adults: Trustee Noyola moved to approve the resolution 042324 authorizing the provision of mental health services to young adults in Hanover Township. The purpose of the new practice is "To ensure that young adults clients have access to affordable, high quality therapy services, and that the fee agreement is managed as a clinical issue." based on feedback from community leaders, experts, and other stakeholders, the Township has identified that young adults aged nineteen (19) to twenty-six (26) years have limited access to mental health services and encounter other substantial barriers in accessing such services in the community; and the Township Supervisor and Board of Trustees deems it necessary and in the best interest of the Township and its residents to expand the Township's provision of mental health services to young persons aged nineteen (19) to twenty-six (26) years old. Trustee Beattie seconded the motion. Roll call: Ayes: Trustees Beattie, Martinez, Essick, and Noyola, and Supervisor McGuire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

C. Consideration of Aging Services Congregate Meal Program Suggested Donations: According to Director Conway, Aging Services has seen and sustained growth of Nutrition Services and the increased use since the pandemic. According to the memo presented, "Staff held several conversations with interested groups to elicit feedback on potentially increasing the suggested donation for meals. Nutrition Manager Marilyn Perri presented information to the Hanover Township Senior Citizens Services Committee who supported an increase. Manager Perri also spoke with a nutrition focus group that meets every other month, that also supported the increase. Staff spoke with volunteers of the nutrition program who agreed that an increase would not be a deterrent. Staff also confirmed with AgeOptions, the Area Agency on Aging serving suburban Cook County, that there is no minimum or maximum donation amount required by the Older Americans Act. The department recommends, based on input from the Senior Citizens Services Committee, increasing the suggested donation per meal to \$5 for those sixty and older and \$8 for those fifty-nine and younger. Supervisor McGuire asked for concurrence of the Board members to support the department's suggested increase as detailed in the memo dated April 19 for donation per meal be moved to \$5 for those 60 and older and \$8 for those 59 and younger; the Board members concurred with the suggested increase.

D. Appointment to the Hanover Township Mental Health Board: Trustee Essick moved that the Board concur with the Supervisor's appointment of Mrs. Heidi McGuire of Bartlett to serve as member of the Hanover Township Mental Health Board; Trustee Beattie seconded the motion. Roll call: Ayes: Trustees Beattie, Martinez, Essick, and Noyola, and Supervisor McGuire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

IX. Executive Session: Trustee Essick moved that the Board go into Executive Session pursuant to §2c1 (The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees (or volunteers) of the public body or legal counsel for the public body...), and §2c8 (Security procedures, school building safety and security, and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public, or public property.) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. Trustee Beattie seconded the motion. Roll call: Ayes: Supervisor McGuire, and Trustees Beattie, Martinez, Noyola, and Essick. Nays:

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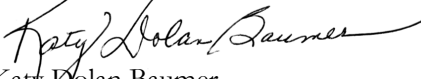
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None. Motion carried. Supervisor McGuire invited staff to leave at this time, and the Board went into closed session at 7:34 p.m.

At 8:07 p.m., the Board reconvened in open session and at the Supervisor's gavel, present by roll call vote were Trustees Beattie, Martinez, Noyola, and Essick, and Supervisor McGuire.

- X. Other Business: Attorney Airdo announced that the Illinois Township Attorneys Association Annual Seminar would be held here at the Township Senior Center on May 16-17, 2024. All township officials are invited.
- XI. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before this Board, a motion to adjourn at 8:08 p.m. was made by Trustee Noyola and seconded by Trustee Martinez, followed by a roll call vote. Ayes: Trustees Beattie, Essick, Noyola, and Martinez, and Supervisor McGuire. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Katy Dolan Baumer

Clerk

Copy: Supervisor, Administrator, Attorney, (4) Trustees, and Assessor, Aging Services, Human Services, Y&F Services, Community Affairs