

**PLATO TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Plato Town Hall, Plato Center, IL
March 26, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor McMahon called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

ROLL CALL

Present: Supervisor Mike McMahon; Trustees: Joe Hulke, Jake Myers, and Ron Straub; Township Clerk Beth Gehrke

Absent: Trustee Heather Wallace

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

A citizen spoke expressing his displeasure with District 301's referendum ask.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Clerk Gehrke emailed the Township Officials the February 27, 2024, regular board meeting minutes prior to tonight's meeting.

A motion to approve the minutes of the February 27, 2024, regular board meeting was made by Hulke, seconded by Myers. Motion carried.

KANE COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Deputy Kraus has received complaints regarding speeding and litter in the township. The roads are being patrolled. She asked any other concerns be relayed.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

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

Financial Reports, Warrants, & Affirm Bills-March 2024

Warrants	Plato Township	\$	18,338.15
	Plato Road		53,638.03
Total Current Assets:	Plato Township	\$	971,966.31
	Plato Road		912,738.89

A motion to approve the March 2024, warrants and financial reports subject to audit was made by Straub, seconded by Myers. Motion carried. (Roll call: Hulke - aye, Myers - aye, Straub - aye, McMahon - aye, Wallace - absent)

Statement of Economic Interest

Board members were provided with a printed copy of Statement of Economic Interests. All officials should be receiving an email in the next few days with instructions to file electronically.

Central School District 301

Central School District 301's referendum for \$195,000,000 did not pass.

Annual Meeting Reminder

The Annual Town Meeting will be held Tuesday, April 9, 7:00pm, at the Plato Town Hall.

Reports

McMahon asked the board which financial reports they would like printed out for the meetings. The consensus was to continue providing printed reports at this time. All board members are welcome to call the bookkeeper with questions.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Trainor provided the board with a written report which is attached.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

Assessor Roush provided the board with a written report which is attached.

CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Gehrke reported she has been working on cleaning up the township files. A Disposal Certificate has been applied for.

The Budget and Appropriations Hearings will be held on May 28, 2024 at 6:15pm.

Board members were provided with copies of IL HB5050 which would amend the Local Government Reduction and Efficiency Division of the Counties Code. This bill would allow a county board or county executive to dissolve a road and bridge district under certain conditions.

In about 6 months petitions will be able to begin being circulated for township positions for the next election.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Certificate of Authority by Vote

A motion to approve Larry Trainor on the Certificate of Authority by Vote was made by Straub, seconded by McMahon. Motion carried.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

There were no comments.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 6:45PM by Hulke, seconded by Myers. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Gehrke, Plato Township Clerk

Approved by:

Mike McMahon, Supervisor

Joe Hulke, Trustee

Jake Myers, Trustee

Ron Straub, Trustee

Heather Wallace, Trustee

TO: Plato Township Board

RE: Assessor Report

Date: March 25, 2024

February 27, 2024 - March 25, 2024

Sales processed: 31

Permits House processed: 9

Measured Homes: 12

Permits Extras processed: 22

Measured Extras: 1

Address Changes processed: 56

Divisions/Consolidations: 5

Parcel Count: 5523

We are still measuring new improvements when the weather permits.

We continue to update properties as we find new information.

I have been working on consolidations of properties in a few areas that we have a smaller lot with a larger lot. The values do not change.

We have received a projected multiplier of 10.55% so we are analyzing what if any changes need to be made.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet Roush - CIAO

Plato Township Assessor

Road District Report March 2024

We are trying to reach a June letting for the Muirhead bridge replacement.

HLF engineering has had quite a time trying to receive a response from Canadian National Railroad as to easement requests. I finally got a response from the Railroad after numerous phone calls per day over a week and half period of time. We still need to purchase or verify existing easements. This process for the obtaining the easements will be the last hurdle to clear before the June letting.

Chippewa Pass and Lori Lane 2024 resurfacing has been put out to bid through the county with the intention of using Rebuild America and MFT funds.

The bids will take about three weeks to receive the bids and finalize the resurfacing.

We have removed multiple beaver dams from the pond system and the drainage is functioning as it should but the beavers are a constant issue that keeps the drainage questionable from week to week.

The Road District will be meeting with the Forest Preserve in April to try and reach an agreement on the construction of some 150+ sq yds of compensatory storage needed to offset the elevation the surface of Bahr Rd. in a section of wetlands near Forest Preserve property.

We will be submitting a bid for road salt for 2024/25 this month using either the County or State bid process.

If you witness fly dumping anywhere in town, please report it to the Sheriff's department at 1-630-232-8400.