

Maine Township General Town and General Assistance Fund Budget Hearing
May 22, 2018

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Board Members Present and other Elected Officials: Supervisor Morask, Clerk Gialamas, Assessor Moylan Krey and Highway Commissioner Kazmierczak

Trustees Jones, Carrabotta, McKenzie and Sweeney

Others in Attendance: Dayna Berman, Denise Jajko, Doriene Prorak, Elizabeth Coy, Richard Lyon, Michael Samaan, Ryan McKenzie, Marie Dachniwsky, Dick Barton, Dagmar Rutzen, Marsha Warnick, Donna Adam, Keri-Lyn Krafthefer, Catherine Sbarra, Mary Upson, Sharon McLaughlin, Joe Egan, and Wiesia Tytko

Supervisor Morask called the hearing to order at 7:00 p.m.

Supervisor Morask stated the purpose of the hearing was to receive public comments on the Budget. Trustee Carrabotta interrupted and requested to go to emergency Closed Session as a result of an accusation made against him at 6:46 p.m., which he stated needs to be addressed before he could do anything else.

Attorney Krafthefer stated that under the Open Meetings Act the motion for going to the Closed Session needs a purpose and an exception.

Trustee Carrabotta stated that it pertains to interaction between employees and involves one of our codes of conduct. Trustee Carrabotta requested to know what exemption applied to confidential communication between two employees of the Township that should not be made public at this time.

Trustee Carrabotta	Motion to go to the Closed Session to discuss the performance and potential discipline of the employees of public body under ILCS 5/120 -2 (c)(1).
Trustee McKenzie	Second.

Supervisor Morask asked Attorney Krafthefer if going into Closed session is permissible with respect to the Budget Hearings and suggested to address this issue in the Closed Session in the regular Board Meeting. Attorney Krafthefer requested why it needed to be done in the middle of the Budget Hearing and requested to know if it related to the budget.

Attorney Krafthefer stated it is permissible if the majority of the Board agrees to it. Trustee Carrabotta requested that this issue be addressed right away.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask	No
Trustee Jones	No
Trustee Carrabotta	Yes
Trustee McKenzie	Yes
Trustee Sweeney	Yes

Motion carried. (See video at 0:45)

The Board re-convened in Open Session at 7:17 p.m.

Supervisor Morask	Motion to re-convene in Open Session.
Trustee Jones	Second.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask	Yes
Trustee Jones	Yes
Trustee Carrabotta	Yes
Trustee McKenzie	Yes
Trustee Sweeney	Yes

Motion carried.

There was no action taken after the reopening in the open session.

Agenda Item: Presentation of General Town and General Assistance Fund Budget

Supervisor Morask stated that this hearing is for the purpose of receiving public comments on the proposed budget for the General Town and General Assistance Fund for fiscal year 2018-2019. She stated that the proposed budget has been on file in the Clerk's office for 30 days and that the required legal notice was published. She added that the revised two versions of the budget are available on the Maine Township website.

Supervisor Morask presented the proposed Maine Township Ordinance 2018-1 (2 versions), Budget & Appropriation Ordinance for 2018-2019 for General Town and General Assistance Fund.

Agenda Item: Public comment

Donna Adam, Des Plaines resident and Joe Egan, Park Ridge resident commented on the proposed Maine Township budgets. Both Ms. Adam and Mr. Egan suggested that incentive increases be considered in bonuses vs. salaries. Mr. Egan suggested that we consider doing it as the Park Ridge library has – in bonuses. (See video at 7:38.)

Agenda Item: Adjournment

Trustee Sweeney	Motion to adjourn.
Trustee McKenzie	Second.
All in favor.	
Motion carried on a voice vote.	

The hearing adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Town Clerk