

**PLATO TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Plato Town Hall, Plato Center, IL
February 27, 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, Heather Wallace; Highway Commissioner Larry Trainor; Assessor Janet Roush; and Township Clerk Beth Gehrke

Absent: Trustee Ron Straub

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

There were no citizens to be heard.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Clerk Gehrke emailed the Township Officials the January 23, 2024, regular board meeting minutes prior to tonight's meeting.

A motion to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2024, regular board meeting was made by Hulke, seconded by Wallace. Motion carried.

KANE COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

There was no report

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

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

Financial Reports, Warrants, & Affirm Bills-February 2024

Warrants	Plato Township	\$	26,905.21
	Plato Road		16,656.78
Total Current Assets:	Plato Township	\$	974,645.31
	Plato Road		978,136.46

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

TOI

Supervisor McMahon attended a class on grant writing. He wants to learn and understand the grants and the process before pursuing any grants for the township building.

Central School District 301

McMahon attended the school board meeting. He has asked for communication from the school district.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Trainor reported that he was asked by the county if the Road District would take over an 0.8 mile road from Pease Road to Route 47. He said no as the road would be a private road on school district property which would then be totally funded by Plato Township residents.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

Assessor Roush provided the board with a written report is attached and asked for questions. She does not yet know what the multiplier will be.

CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Gehrke apologized for her absence at the last meeting and thanked that Romy McMahon acted as Deputy Clerk. Minutes were written from recording .

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Annual Meeting Agenda

Board members were emailed a draft Annual Town Meeting agenda.

A motion to approve the Annual Town Meeting Agenda, with the caveat that if any additional agenda items are received by the clerk by March 1 the agenda must be amended, was made by Wallace, seconded by Myers. Motion carried.

Accounting

Board members were provided with an engagement letter from GW & Associates, P.C.

A motion to approve engagement with GW & Associates, P.C. was made by Myers, seconded by Hulke. Motion carried. (Roll call: Hulke - aye, Myers - aye, Wallace - aye, McMahon - aye, Straub - absent)

FY 2025 Budget

McMahon and Trainor have been working with the accountant to prepare a tight and balanced budget. Board members were provided with a draft FY 2025 budget.

A motion to approve the draft budget was made by Hulke, seconded by McMahon. Motion carried. (Roll call: Hulke - aye, Myers - aye, Wallace - aye, McMahon - aye, Straub - absent)

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

There were no comments.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 6:23PM by Wallace, seconded by McMahon. 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: February 27, 2024

January 22, 2024 - February 27, 2024

Sales processed: 25
Permits House processed: 9
Measured Homes: 1
Permits Extras processed: 70
Measured Extras: 20
Address Changes processed: 122
Divisions/Consolidations: 0
Parcel Count: 55124

We are analyzing the different neighborhoods to determine what increase or decrease if any needs to be done.
We are still measuring new improvements when the weather permits.
We continue to update properties as we find new information.

I am including a Proposed Budget for 2024-2025. This needs to be approved by this Board in January but changes can be made by this Board. I am increasing it slightly from last year by \$300. The two largest categories are salaries and computer software. The technology services include maintenance on our computers and printer and hosting my website. (the website hosting has been previously included in the computer software.) The changes in the different years are due to the different number of months (which is highlighted in yellow.)

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet Roush - CIAO
Plato Township Assessor