

**STATE OF ILLINOIS**

*Diane Wolfe Marlin, Chair*

**CUNNINGHAM TOWNSHIP**

*Phyllis D. Clark, Township Clerk*

**CUNNINGHAM TOWNSHIP BOARD  
Meeting Minutes  
Monday, June 13, 2022  
400 S. Vine Street, Urbana, IL, 61801**

The Cunningham Township Board met in regular session Monday, June 13, 2022 at 6 p.m. in the Urbana City Council Chambers.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT:**

**Chair:** Diane Wolfe Marlin

**Township Clerk:** Phyllis D. Clark

**Trustees:** Maryalice Wu, Shirese Hursey, Jaya Kolisetty, Chaundra Bishop

**Supervisor:** Danielle Chynoweth

**Assessor:** Wayne Williams

**ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT:** Trustee Evans, Trustee Wilken, Trustee Quisenberry

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Bourema Ouedraogo, Darcy Sandefur

**I. ROLL CALL**

With a quorum present, Chair Marlin called the meeting of the Cunningham Township Board to order at 6:04 p.m.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

May 9, 2022

May 16, 2022 Special Meeting

May 23, 2022 Special Meeting

Motion by Trustee Wu to approve and seconded by Trustee Bishop.

Voice vote:

**AYE:** Wu, Hursey, Kolisetty, Bishop

**NAY:** None

**III. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

None.

**IV. PUBLIC INPUT**

None.

**V. COMMITTEE TO VERIFY BILLS**

**a. Town Fund**

**b. General Assistance Fund**

Presented by Supervisor Danielle Chynoweth. Supervisor detailed expenses of \$74,112.57 from the Town Fund, \$136,270.03 in the General Assistance Fund, and a combined total of \$210,382.60 in expenditures.

Motion to approve by Trustee Bishop and seconded by Trustee Hursey.

Vote by roll call:

**AYE:** Wu, Hursey, Kolisetty, Bishop

**NAY:** None

**VI. REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

Supervisor Chynoweth presented the Supervisor's memo. Shared information about the "Schools Out" event that was hosted in the Township garden in partnership with the Urbana Free Library and Urbana Park District. The next event will be the Self Care and Wellness Fair on July 31 in the Township garden. Chynoweth shared programmatic updates and reviewed changes in the month to date data. Chynoweth shared information about access to utility assistance and the LIHEAP program. Announced Township is working with a committee to address the lack of year round shelter and ensuring that those who need it have access to official cooling shelters. Questions and discussion ensued.

Assessor Wayne Williams shared an update from the Assessor's office. The 2022 assessment values will be completed any day now. Wanted to extend thanks to Vivian Petrotte from the Community Development Department for her help. Shared that the Stone Creek subdivision is undergoing a lot of new construction. Announced that assessments will likely go up due to the increase in property sales and hot housing market. Appeals for assessments can be made July 1 – December 1 at the Champaign County Board of Review in the Brookens Administrative building.

**VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

**a Ordinance T-2022-05-002: Ordinance Approving the Final Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance (Fiscal year 2022-2023)**

Presented by Supervisor Chynoweth. Chynoweth outlined changes made to draft budget on file. Changes include: an increase to the social service fund and assistance grants because the Township was awarded ESG funds, increase of legal fees to address pending PTAB appeals, accessibility improvements to the Township garden and facilities, an increase in the assistance amounts to meet the needs of utility and rental assistance programs, increase in general assistance award amount (\$325 in benefits to participant), and an addition of additional maintenance costs to create energy

efficiency enhancements. There were no changes to the Assessors budget from the draft. Questions and discussion ensued.

Motion to approve by Trustee Bishop and seconded by Trustee Kolisetty.

Vote by roll call:

**AYE:** Wu, Hursey, Bishop, Kolisetty

**NAY:** None

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Township Board, Chair Marlin declared the meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

Darcy Sandefur  
Recording Secretary

This meeting was taped and is [viewable on demand](#).

Minutes Approved: 07/11/2022