



**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE WHOLE
February 19, 2025**

The Special Meeting of The Whole was held on Wednesday, February 19, 2025, at the Township of Lyons, 6404 Joliet Road, Countryside, Illinois, 60525. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Hoffenberg.

President Hoffenberg asked for the Roll Call.

Commissioner(s) Present: Elyse Hoffenberg; Hon Russell W. Hartigan; Al Dorobiala; Steve Palmer; Barbara Minneci; and Erin Miller.

Commissioner(s) Absent: Rev. Jeffrey Clemons; Sophia Mallis; and William Seith.

Staff Present: Mariam Ahmad, Executive Administrator

Agency Director(s) Present: N/A

Guest(s) Present: Brian Miller, Del Galdo Law Group.

AMENDMENTS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A **MOTION** was made by Minneci and seconded by Judge Hartigan to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Hearing no Nays, the Agenda was approved.

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee on October 7, 2024, were reviewed. A **MOTION** was made by Judge Hartigan and seconded by Dorobiala to approve the Minutes of October 7, 2024, as presented. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Hearing no Nays, the Minutes were approved.

FY25-FY28 Strategic Plan Update:

GOAL: Enhance community engagement by developing targeted outreach programs and initiatives to engage marginalized and underserved communities.

OUTCOME: Participated in nine community events, including resource fairs in seven different municipalities.

TREASURER'S REPORTS:

Barbara Minneci presented the Treasurer Report dated December 16, 2024

Ending Balance as of October 31, 2024:	\$3,353,982.19
Receipts during November 2024:	\$ 12,334.62
Disbursements during November 2024:	\$ 361,262.53
Ending Balance as of November 30, 2024:	\$3,005,054.28

A **MOTION** was made by Dorobiala and seconded by Judge Hartigan to approve the Treasurer's Reports dated December 16, 2024, as presented. Roll Call: Elyse Hoffenberg, Judge Russell Hartigan, Steve Palmer, Al Dorobiala, Barbara Minneci, and Erin Miller. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Motion Carried

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MONTHLY PAYABLES

Barbara Minneci presented a list of Thirty-six (36) Payables totaling \$375,979.79 dated December 16, 2024.

A **MOTION** was made by Hoffenberg and seconded by Dorobiala to approve the Monthly Payables dated December 16, 2024, as presented; Roll Call: Elyse Hoffenberg, Judge Russell Hartigan, Steve Palmer, Al Dorobiala, Barbara Minneci, and Erin Miller. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Motion Carried

EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION

A **MOTION** was made by Judge Hartigan and seconded by Dorobiala to move into Closed Session to discuss personnel matters. The Meeting was convened pursuant to Section 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), the exception of the Open Meetings Act allowing for discussions of the appointment, employment, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body.

Present: Elyse Hoffenberg, Judge Russell W. Hartigan, Al Dorobiala, Steve Palmer, Barbara Minneci and Erin Miller. Also, present was Brian Miller, attorney. All in favor. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None.

A **MOTION** was made by Judge Hartigan and seconded by Dorobiala to end the Closed Session and move into Regular Session. All in favor. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None.

President Hoffenberg asked for a Roll Call: Elyse Hoffenberg, Hon Russell W. Hartigan, Al Dorobiala, Steve Palmer, Barbara Minneci and Erin Miller.

OTHER BUSINESS:

N/A

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

N/A

ADJOURNMENT:

A MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Hartigan and seconded by Dorobiala at 7:15 p.m. All in favor. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. The meeting was adjourned.

Elyse Hoffenberg
Commission President

Hon. Russell W. Hartigan
Secretary