

URBANA CITY COUNCIL CUNNINGHAM TOWNSHIP BOARD SPECIAL JOINT MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Monday, August 24, 2020

TIME: 6:30 P.M.

PLACE: *Held virtually due to Governor and Mayoral Emergency Orders

The Cunningham Township Board and the City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met virtually via Zoom in special session August 24, 2020 at 6:30pm.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT: Diane Wolfe Marlin (Mayor/Chair), Phyllis D. Clark (Town Clerk/City Clerk)

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE: City Council Members and Trustees Bill Brown, Ward 4 (arrived 6:51pm); Bill Colbrook, Ward 6; Shirese Hursey, Ward 3 (arrived 6:37pm); Julie Laut, Ward 2; Jared Miller, Ward 7; Dennis Roberts, Ward 5; Maryalice Wu, Ward 1

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: Township Supervisor Danielle Chynoweth, Township Assessor Wayne Williams

STAFF PRESENT: Sheila Dodd, Alyssa Jaje, Kay Meharry, Lorrie Pearson

OTHERS PRESENT:

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

There being a quorum present, Mayor Marlin called the special meeting of the Urbana City Council/Cunningham Township Board to order at 6:33 p.m.

II. *PUBLIC INPUT

There was none.

III. NEW BUSINESS

a. Discussion: consolidated Social Service Funding for FY 2020-21

Community Development Grants Management Specialist Alyssa Jaje presented the funding recommendations for the Consolidated Social Service Fund for FY 2020-2021. She said the Township and City have done this funding jointly since 1996. It serves nonprofit agencies that work with Urbana residents and give those agencies grants as reimbursements. She said funds for the program had previously been set aside and approved by Council and Town Board.

Ms. Jaje explained that funding recommendations were delayed due to the pandemic, giving agencies the opportunity to update their programs, and four of the 31 agencies sent updates.

As discussion ensued, Ms. Jaje and Grants Manager Sheila Dodd responded to questions and concerns. Some agencies were denied funding because of incomplete applications. It was suggested that some sort of denial notification should be sent to agencies explaining why an application was denied, and extra time allowed to correct any errors.

Mayor Marlin said the agreements would be coming to council on September 14, 2020, and if council members have questions they can contact Alyssa Jaje.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before this joint meeting, Mayor Marlin adjourned the meeting at 6:58pm.

Kay Meharry

Assistant City Clerk

This meeting was video recorded with and is viewable on demand:

Minutes Approved: October 12, 2020