

**PALATINE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
January 12, 2026
7:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Kalkounos called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. in the Patriot Room of the Palatine Township Center.

ROLL CALL

Clerk Svenson called the roll and the following members were present:

PRESENT IN THE ROOM:

Voting Members- Supervisor Kalkounos, Trustees Smolka, Freese, Sloan and Sahinoglu

Non-Voting Members- Clerk Svenson, Assessor Pohlman

Other Invited Participants- Administrator Chychula, Assistant Administrator Veller, and Attorney Kimzey.

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

At the Supervisor's request, Trustee Smolka led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MOTION TO AMEND

Motion to Amend the Agenda to move items 6 and 7 to go forward first. Motion by Trustee Sloan, seconded by Trustee Smolka, to Move for for items 6 and 7 to go first.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Kalkounos, Smolka, Freese, Sloan, Sahinoglu

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

ELECTED OFFICIALS ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Highway Commissioner

The written report was provided*

B. Clerk

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No report

C. Assessor

Assessor Pohman reported that they will be doing appeals until February 3rd.

D. Supervisor*

The Supervisor reported that he was honored to receive a Resolution from Cook County Board President Preckwinkle, and Commissioners Britton, Trevor and Morrison acknowledging his being named Supervisor of the Year. He personally went downtown for a Cook County Board meeting for the resolution. He thanked the entire team of Palatine Township.

He also reported on Cook County tax receipts and the funding we have received to date (20 percent). He mentioned upcoming events including a blood drive on January 27th from 1 to 5 pm and a LIHEAP assistance event on February 6th at Rolling Meadows city hall.

BUSINESS

a. Tentative Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Assessor's Report

Assessor Pohlman gave a report. He left the meeting at 7:21 pm for personal reasons.

b. Consideration of 01-26 Palatine Township Disability and Resource Task Force

Supervisor Kalkounos gave the background for this ordinance. It will consist of 9 members and start on April 1st. Trustee Sahinoglu should be the board liaison for task force. They will provide a written report every 6 months and issue a final report. He also thanked Trustee Sahinoglu for bringing this issue forward.

The concept of an ordinance vs a resolution was explained by Attorney Kimzey.

Motion to approve Ordinance 01-26 Palatine Township Disability and Resource Task Force was moved by Trustee Sloan and seconded by Trustee Sahinoglu

Trustee Sahinoglu spoke about the need for resources based upon her personal experiences.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Kalkounos, Smolka, Freese, Sloan, Sahinoglu

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

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PRESENTATION

Northwest Community Hospital Foundation – mobile dental clinic manager – Angel Weathers made a presentation. The RV is set up as a dental clinic –patients qualify through GA depts of townships. Small co pay if they don’t qualify. Children are free.

Clearbrook - Jessica Smart (CEO) and Elizabeth Steuben made the presentations. They serve people with developmental disabilities, 8000 people a year, over 80 locations in business for 70 years. They seek funding for physical therapy sessions in Palatine Township.

Kan Win – Marie Nguyen made the presentation. They are seeking funding for a multi lingual hotline for survivors of domestic violence who don’t speak English and/or don’t understand American customs.

Fellowship Housing - Betsy Canady made a presentation. They are new to this township. They serve single mothers and their children to break cycles of poverty.

Northwest Casa - Carrie Estrada - Executive Director made a presentation. They are a rape crisis center with a 24/7 hotline.

BACOA made a presentation by Laura Kulaurik. They assist the aging, are a LIHEAP site, and provide education programs to support caregivers for those with dementia.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

OTHER BUSINESS

None

ADJOURN

MOTION by Trustee Smolka, seconded by Trustee Freese to adjourn at 8:18 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Kalkounos, Smolka, Freese, Sloan, Sahinoglu

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

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Respectfully submitted,


TOWN CLERK