

Wheeling Township
Annual Town Meeting
Tuesday, April 8, 2025

CALL TO ORDER The 173rd Annual Township meeting, held on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at the Wheeling Township Hall, Paula Ulreich Meeting Room, 1616 North Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, Illinois, was called to order by Clerk Joanna Gauza at 8:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Clerk Gauza led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. She then introduced the Wheeling Township Officials and the new Board Members that will start in May.

MEETING PROCEDURES Clerk Gauza asked the audience if Wheeling Township residents had signed the “Voters Affidavit” and if guests had signed in on the official “Guest List”. Upon signing in, each Wheeling Township resident received an official blue card to use when voting on any issue brought up at the meeting. It was also pointed out that agendas, Wheeling Township Officials Reports, and Wheeling Township Annual Reports, including the Financial Reports for 2024-2025, were available in the back of the room.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT Because of State law, the Clerk did not have to read the Wheeling Township Annual Report. A hard copy of the Annual Township Financial Statement as part of the Annual Township Report was available for each elector to review.

NOMINATION OF A MODERATOR Clerk Gauza asked for nominations from the floor, to elect a moderator. A motion was made by Tom Gauza, seconded by Kathy Penner, to nominate Susan Hayes as moderator. Clerk Gauza then asked “Are there any other nominations for moderator?” A motion was made by Maria Zeller Brauer and seconded to nominate Linda Waycie as moderator. A vote was held and Linda Waycie won 19 votes to 9 votes. Clerk Gauza sworn Linda Waycie in as the moderator. Linda Waycie then led the meeting.

APPROVAL OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES: APRIL 9, 2024; APRIL 11, 2023; and APRIL 12, 2022

A motion and a second was made. The motion to approve the Annual Town Meeting Minutes passed unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTIONS were presented at this time. Moderator Waycie asked for presentation of three resolutions.

RESOLUTION 2025-02 SETTING THE TIME OF THE NEXT ANNUAL TOWN MEETING A resolution was read by Patty Kozicki and seconded to set the time for the next annual town meeting, as follows: “It is hereby resolved and ordered by the electors present at the Annual Town Meeting of Wheeling Township held this 8th day of April, 2025, that the time of the next Annual Town Meeting shall be held on the second Tuesday of April, 2026, at 8:00 p.m., at a place to be designated by the Wheeling Township Board of Trustees.”

A motion was then made by John Geier to amend the start time of the next Town Meeting to 7 pm. The motion was seconded by Denice Dirkes. The electors passed the motion to amend the start time. The motion as amended with a start time of 7:00 pm was then passed.

The next resolution brought before the electors for approval was for the Township to provide social services.

RESOLUTION 2025-03 TO FUND SOCIAL SERVICES: A resolution was read by Ken Jochum and seconded stating: “Whereas, the electors assembled at this Year 2025 Annual Town Meeting of Wheeling Township believe it is in the best interest of the Township and its residents that the Township contract with for-profit, not-for-profit or non-sectarian organizations to provide services for children, teens, seniors, disabled and low-income families. Now therefore, be it hereby resolved, by the electors present at this Annual Town Meeting of Wheeling Township that the Wheeling Township Board of Trustees is authorized to contract with for-profit, not-for-profit, or non-sectarian organizations to provide funds for services for children, teens, seniors, disabled and low-income families during the 2025-2026 fiscal year.”

The resolution includes funding for mental health services.

VOICE VOTE TO PASS RESOLUTION 2025-03. A voice vote was held to adopt the Resolution 2025-03 as read. The motion carried unanimously.

Moderator Waycie then asked for a resolution to be brought before the electors authorizing the board to purchase liability insurance.

RESOLUTION 2025-04 TO AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE A resolution was read by Tom Gauza and seconded which stated: “Whereas, the electors are empowered under 60 ILCS 1/30-42, as amended, to provide for the purchase of insurance, any loss or liability of any officer, employee or agent of the Township resulting from any wrongful

or negligent act of any such officer, employee or agent while discharging against or engaging in his duties and functions and acting within the scope of his duties and functions as an officer, employee or agent of the Township; and whereas, it is in the best interests of the Township to provide for such insurance; it is, therefore, resolved by the electors assembled at an Annual Meeting as follows:

1. That the Township Board is authorized to purchase insurance against any loss or liability of any officer, employee or agent of the Township resulting from the wrongful or negligent act of any such officer, employee or agent while discharging or engaging in his duties and functions as an officer, employee or agent of the Township.
2. That the term “insurance” herein shall include traditional insurance policies and programs as well as any self-administered insurance funds, risk management associations, risk retention groups, which are in the nature of insurance and provide for the protection anticipated herein.
3. That this resolution shall not be construed to limit any of the Township Board’s powers under 745 ILS 10/9-101, et seq.
4. That this resolution shall remain in full force and effect unless and until modified amended or repealed at a subsequent Annual or Special Meeting of electors.”

VOICE VOTE TO PASS RESOLUTION 2025-04. A voice vote was held to adopt Resolution 2025-04. The Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION TO ADJOURN A motion was made by Jean Hamilton and seconded by Ken Jochum to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Moderator Waycie thanked everyone for coming and adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Joanna M. Gauza

Wheeling Township Clerk

Linda Waycie

Moderator

