



**DECENNIAL COMMITTEE - REGULAR SESSION  
BLOOMINGTON CENTER FOR PERFORMING ARTS (BCPA) AUDITORIUM  
600 N EAST STREET, BLOOMINGTON, IL 61701  
MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2023, 5:00 PM**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment  
*Individuals wishing to provide emailed public comment must email comments to [publiccomment@cityblm.org](mailto:publiccomment@cityblm.org) at least 15 minutes before the start of the meeting. Individuals wishing to speak in-person may register at [cityblm.org/register](http://cityblm.org/register) at least 5 minutes before the start of the meeting.*
4. Approval of the Minutes of the May 22, 2023 Decennial Committee Meeting
  - A. Consideration and Action to Approve the Minutes of the May 22, 2023, Decennial Committee Meeting. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Minutes be approved)
5. Presentation on Township History, Intergovernmental Agreements (IGAs), and Shared Services, *as presented by Township Supervisor Deborah L. Skillrud and Township Assessor Stephen Scudder*
6. Statutes That Govern Illinois Townships  
*Section 15 of 50 ILCS 70, the Decennial Committees on Local Government Efficiency Act, states that the duties of the committee include, but are not limited to, the study of the governmental unit's governing statutes. Below is a list of the main statutes that governs how the City of Bloomington Township operates.*
  - [60 ILCS 1 Township Code](#)
  - [305 ILCS 5/Article VI Public Aid Code for General Assistance](#)
  - [35 ILCS 200 Property Tax Code](#)
  - [50 ILCS 330 Illinois Municipal Budget Law](#)
  - [30 ILCS 15 Public Funds Statement Publication Act](#)
  - [5 ILCS 120 Open Meetings Act](#)
  - [5 ILCS 140 Freedom of Information Act](#)
  - [5 ILCS 160 State Records Act](#)
7. Discussion of Next Steps
8. Adjournment

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accommodations to observe and/or participate, or who have questions about the accessibility of the meeting, should contact the City's ADA Coordinator at 309-434-2468 or [mhurt@cityblm.org](mailto:mhurt@cityblm.org).



**REGULAR AGENDA ITEM NO. 4.A.**

**FOR DECENNIAL COMMITTEE:** August 28, 2023

**WARD IMPACTED:** Town of the City of Bloomington

**SUBJECT:** Consideration and Action to Approve the Minutes of the May 22, 2023, Decennial Committee Meeting.

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** The proposed Minutes be approved

**STRATEGIC PLAN LINK:**

**STRATEGIC PLAN SIGNIFICANCE:**

**BACKGROUND:** In compliance with the Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2.06(b), minutes must be approved within thirty days after the meeting or at the second subsequent regular meeting, whichever is later. The minutes of the meeting provided have been reviewed and certified as correct and complete by the Township Clerk and have been made available for public inspection and posted to the Township's website, pending Committee approval.

**COMMUNITY GROUPS/INTERESTED PERSONS CONTACTED:** N/A

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** N/A

Respectfully submitted for consideration.

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

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MINUTES  
DECENNIAL COMMITTEE REGULAR SESSION  
MONDAY, MAY 22, 2023, 5:00 PM

The Decennial Committee convened in the Government Center Boardroom at 5:00 p.m., Monday, May 22, 2023. Trustee Mwilambwe called the meeting to order.

Identification of Committee Members

Item 2.A. Identification of Required Decennial Committee Members, as requested by the Committee Chair and Township Supervisor.

Leslie Yocum, City Clerk, recognized the following Committee Members: Jenna Kearns, Donna Boelen, John Danenberger, Nick Becker, Cody Hendricks, Tom Crumpler, Mboka Mwilambwe, Deb Skillrud, Steve Scudder, Joseph Gibson, Brad Williams.

Item 2.B. Consideration and Action to Identify and Approve the Appointment of Residents to Serve on the Committee, as requested by the Committee Chair and Township Supervisor. (Recommended Motion: The appointment of residents be approved.)

Deb Skillrud, Township Supervisor, introduced the Decennial Committee legislation (50 ILCS 70/10) and reviewed the requirements for residents to participate as members of the Committee.

Committee Member Hendricks made a motion, seconded by Committee Member Boelen, that residents Amelia Buragas, William Bennett, and David Stanczak be appointed to the Decennial Committee.

Trustee Mwilambwe directed the Clerk to call roll:

Ayes: Committee Members Kearns, Boelen, Danenberger, Becker, Hendricks, Crumpler, Mwilambwe, Skillrud, Scudder, Gibson, Williams.

Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

No items were considered.

Regular Session

Item 4.A. Overview of Decennial Committee, as requested by the Committee Chair and Township Supervisor.

Supervisor Skillrud provided an overview that the meeting was the first of three required meetings that had to be held by June 10, 2023. She stated that quarterly meetings would be held and that likely not all those scheduled would be necessary. She pointed out that the Committee's purpose was to study local efficiencies and report recommendations of

additional efficiencies and increased accountability to the County Board by November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Committee Members Mwilambwe and Skillrud then discuss the report.

Item 4.B. Review of Meeting Schedule, as requested by the Committee Chair and Township Supervisor.

Supervisor Skillrud read the meeting schedule and restated that meetings would be quarterly right before Township Board Meetings.

Item 4.C. General Discussion and Identification of Next Steps, as requested by the Committee Chair and Township Supervisor.

Supervisor Skillrud recommended the use of SharePoint to allow sharing of reports pulled together by Township staff at the request of the Committee. She emphasized this would be the best way to collaborate. She shared that the starting point would be for Township staff to collect information as laid out in the Township Officials of Illinois' template placing it on SharePoint for review of the Committee. She then requested input from the Committee and asked them to voice any ideas they might have that were not listed in the template. She ended by mentioning that the Committee could contract with an outside company to format the report or could do it itself, however, this is an unfunded mandate from the State Legislation and costs would come from the Township General Fund.

Several Committee Members then discussed what will happen to the report once filed.

Committee Member Mwilambwe confirmed the next meeting date.

Committee Member Crumpler suggested that Township staff put together a working draft and place it on SharePoint.

Supervisor Skillrud then introduced the Cemetery Board and Pastor William Bennett. She mentioned the other two appointed residents, Amelia Buragas and David Stanczyk.

Public Comment

No public comment was received.

Adjournment

Committee Member Boelen, seconded by Committee Member Becker, moved to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried viva voce.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON TOWNSHIP

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Leslie Yocum, Township Clerk