STATE OF ILLINOIS **CUNNINGHAM TOWNSHIP**
DeShawn Williams, Chair *Darcy E. Sandefur, Township Clerk*

CUNNINGHAM TOWNSHIP BOARD
Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 9, 2026
400 S. Vine Street, Urbana, IL, 61801

The Cunningham Township Board met in regular session Monday, February 9, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. in the Urbana City Council Chambers.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT:
Chair: Mayor DeShawn Williams
Township Clerk: Darcy E. Sandefur
Trustees: Maryalice Wu, Christopher Evans, Shirese Hursey*, Chaundra Bishop*, Grace Wilken, James Quisenberry (*present via phone)
Supervisor: Danielle Chynoweth
Assessor: Ivana Owona
ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: None
OTHERS PRESENT: Bourema Ouedraogo;

I. ROLL CALL
With a quorum present Chair Williams called the meeting of the Cunningham Township Board to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
1. 11-17-2025
Motion to approve the minutes of the November 17th meeting by Trustee Wu and seconded by Trustee Wilken.
Voice vote:
AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Bishop, Wilken, Quisenberry
NAY: None

III. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
None.

IV. PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLIC INPUT
None.

VI. REPORTS OF OFFICERS
Supervisor Chynoweth presented the Supervisors Memo and highlighted programmatic updates and service statistics for the month to date. Chynoweth highlighted alternative response models and their intersection with homeless services and providers. Chynoweth reviewed the initial data from the public winter emergency shelter including demographics and a survey of what brought them to the shelter. Questions and discusison ensued.

X. COMITTEE TO VERIFY BILLS
Supervisor Chynoweth presented on the month to date expenditures for the month of December 2025 including $44,405.01 from the Town Fund, $361,313.35 total of $405,718.36. Discussion and questions ensued. Motion to approve by Trustee Wilken and seconded by Trustee Wu.

Voice vote:
AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Bishop, Wilken, Quisenberry
NAY: None

XI. NEW BUSINESS

a. Resolution No. T-2026-02-004R: A Resolution Authorizing the Supervisor to Sign a Recipient Agreement with the City of Urbana for Daytime and Nighttime Staffing for a Public Winter Emergency Shelter

Presented by Supervisor Chynoweth. Item authorizes the execution of an agreement with the City of Urbana to allocate funds for staffing costs for the Public Winter Emergency Shelter run by Township. Supervisor Chynoweth asked that the item be approved with changes to langauge to allow for daytime and nighttime staffing to be covered in the agreement. Motion to approve as amended by Trustee Quisenberry and seconded by Trustee Wilken.
Vote by roll call:
AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Bishop, Wilken, Quisenberry
NAY: None

b. Resolution No. T-2026-02-005R: A Resolution Authorizing the Supervisor to Sign a Service Agreement with Mavidea for IT Services and Consulting

Presented by Supervisor Chynoweth. Item authorizes the supervisor to sign a contract with Mavidea for IT services and Support as well as consulting. Chynoweth highlighted the IT needs of the Township and the need for additional cybersecurity protections given the sensitive information they work with. Discussion and questions ensued. Board reached consensus that this contract should only be for 2 years. Motion to approve as amended by Trustee Wilken and seconded by Trustee Wu.
Vote by roll call:
AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Bishop, Wilken, Quisenberry
NAY: None

c. Closed Session: Pending Litigation Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11)

The Board elected to remain in open session.

d. Resolution T-2026-02-006R: A Resolution Authorizing the Filing a Claim in the Court of Claims Regarding the Grant Reduction of Contract FCASH08558

Presented by Supervisor Chynoweth. This item authorizes the Township Attorney to pursue proper legal action to remedy the reduction of contract grant amount by IDHS. Supervisor Chynoweth explained that Township and at least one other government body fulfilled all of the reporting and required obligations in accordance with a grant agreement and the IDHS mistakenly reduced the contract grant amount. IDHS advised that the proper remedy could only be resolved via the Court of Claims because IDHS has no mechanism to dispense funds outside of the court process. Questions and discussion ensued. IDHS agrees that Township fulfilled all of its grant obligations and is entitled to the full grant award. Questions and discussion ensued. Motion to approve by Trustee Wilken and seconded by Trustee Wu.
Vote by roll call:
AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Bishop, Wilken, Quisenberry
NAY: None

XII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the body, Chair Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:39PM.

Darcy Sandefur

Township Clerk

This meeting was taped and is viewable on demand.

Minutes Approved: 4-13-2026