



JOLIET TOWNSHIP



ROAD DISTRICT

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Minutes of Public Hearings
General Town FY 2026/27 Budget & Appropriations – Ordinance No. 423-2026
Road District FY 2026/27 Budget & Appropriations - Ordinance No. 2026-01 (RD)
175 West Jefferson Street, Joliet, IL 60432
Tuesday, June 23, 2026

State of Illinois,
County of Will,
Town of Joliet,

The Public Hearings set for the General Town FY 2026/27 Budget & Appropriations – Ordinance No. 423-2026 and the Road District FY 2026/27 Budget & Appropriations - Ordinance No. 2026-01 (RD) were held in said Town and County in the State of Illinois at 175 West Jefferson Street in the Town Hall Meeting Room on the first floor of the Joliet Township Government Office Building on Tuesday, June 23rd, 2026. The legal notices for said Public Hearings were published in the Joliet Herald News on Wednesday, May 20th, 2026.

The following official business was transacted:

The Public Hearing for the General Town FY 2026/27 Budget & Appropriations – Ordinance No. 423-2026 commenced at 4:05 P.M. Supervisor Guerrero shared the total amount of appropriations outlined within Ordinance No. 423-2026. Supervisor Guerrero mentioned that the FY 2026-2027 budget had been discussed in detail with the public and that public feedback was received during that time. Supervisor Guerrero went on to state that significant steps were taken to reduce expenses and to create a balanced budget. Supervisor Guerrero noted the Township's transparency and openness to the public regarding the budget at previous meetings.

Supervisor Guerrero asked the Township's legal counsel a question regarding the Board's obligation to pass a balanced budget. Legal counsel confirmed that the Board is required by law to adopt a balanced budget and that a budget can not be passed that is not balanced.

Supervisor Guerrero asked the board if they had any remarks to share regarding the budget. Trustee Washington referenced the detailed financial presentation provided at the Annual Town Meeting and reiterated the Township's commitment to openness and transparency throughout the budget process. Supervisor Guerrero noted the Township's primary function and reiterated that several steps were taken to achieve a balanced budget.

Trustee Gavin mentioned his tenure as a Trustee and pointed out that by statute, the Township can not pass a budget that is not balanced in the state of Illinois. Trustee Gavin stated that the Township's revenue is derived from taxpayers' money and emphasized his responsibility as a Trustee to serve as a good steward of the taxpayers' money. Trustee Gavin also acknowledged the difficult decisions made over the past six months, including staff layoffs, and reiterated that the FY 2026–2027 budget is balanced.

Supervisor Guerrero further elaborated on the steps that were taken to create a balanced budget. Supervisor Guerrero expressed that the Township is committed to directing tax levy revenue toward providing services to the community.

There were no comments made by the public during the Public Hearing regarding the General Town FY 2026/27 Budget & Appropriations – Ordinance No. 423-2026. Supervisor Guerrero asked for a motion to adopt the General Town FY 2026/27 Budget & Appropriations – Ordinance No. 423-2026. Motion was made by Trustee Gavin. Motion was seconded by Trustee Bibian. A roll call was taken. Motion carried.¹

Supervisor Guerrero shared the total amount of appropriations outlined within Ordinance No. 2026-01 (RD). Supervisor Guerrero stated that similarly to the General Town budget, the Road District budget was available for public inspection online, on the Township's website, in addition to a physical copy at the front desk of the Township building for thirty days. The Public Hearing for the Road District FY 2026/27 Budget & Appropriations - Ordinance No. 2026-01 (RD) commenced at 4:12 P.M. Supervisor Guerrero opened the floor for the public to speak on the Road District's Annual Budget. There were no comments made by the public regarding the Road District FY 2026/27 Budget & Appropriations - Ordinance No. 2026-01 (RD). Supervisor Guerrero closed the public hearing and asked for a motion to adopt the Road District FY 2026/27 Budget & Appropriations - Ordinance No. 2026-01 (RD). Motion was made by Trustee Gavin. Motion was seconded by Trustee Bibian. A roll call was taken. Motion carried.²

The Public Hearings were completed at 4:13 P.M., at which time the Regular Township Board Meeting was called back to order.

The Public Hearings concluded at 4:13 P.M.



Kendra Landfair

Town Clerk

¹ Roll call vote: Ayes (5). Trustees Gavin, Bibian, Adamowski, Washington and Supervisor Guerrero. Nays (0).

² Roll call vote: Ayes (5). Trustees Gavin, Bibian, Adamowski, Washington and Supervisor Guerrero. Nays (0).