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TOWNSHIP OF LYONS
FINANCE COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE
TOWNSHIP HALL COMMUNITY ROOM
6404 JOLIET RD.
COUNTRYSIDE, IL 60525
JANUARY 28, 2026 – 5:00 P.M.

AGENDA

TOWNSHIP OF LYONS FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING
JANUARY 28, 2026- 5:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. ROLL CALL
4. CONSIDERATION / DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED BUDGETS OF TOWNSHIP OFFICES AND DEPARTMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 / 2027.
5. UNIFORM PURCHASE DOCUMENTATION FORM DISCUSSION
6. GRANTS & DONATIONS DISCUSSION
7. SECURITY CAMERAS DISCUSSION
8. ADJOURNMENT

Public comment can be sent prior to the phone conference board meeting via e-mail to ehoffenberg@lyonsts.com by 3 p.m. day of meeting and will be read during the public meeting. If calling into the phone conference board meeting, then public comments will be taken during public comment. Profanity and obscene words contained in public comments will not be read.

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BOARD
JANUARY 28, 2026**

(PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL AT THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 10, 2026)

1. The Finance Committee of the Whole Board of Trustees of the Township of Lyons held a Special Meeting on Wednesday, January 28, 2026 in the Town Hall, 6404 Joliet Road, Countryside, Illinois 60525.

2. Supervisor Getty called the Meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

3. Supervisor Getty called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Clerk Elyse Hoffenberg called the Roll, and the following were present:

Christopher Getty	Supervisor
Mark Anderson	Trustee
Miriam Cruz	Trustee
David Imielski	Trustee
Candice Mares	Trustee

Also, in attendance was Terry Carr, Township of Lyons Highway Commissioner; George Pach, Township of Lyons Deputy Clerk; Arlene Cabana, Attorney with Odelson, Murphey, Frazier, & McGrath, Ltd; The Honorable Steve Landek, Mayor of Bridgeview; Township Employee Ed Ajzyk and several Township residents.

5. Supervisor Getty asked if there was any public comment and Township Resident Mike Sochacki, 8701 Wolf Rd., Burr Ridge, IL 60527 addressed the board as follows:

- Mr. Sochacki asked if he might be able to get a copy of tonight's minutes to which Supervisor Getty replied that a copy would be available after they are approved at the February 10, 2026 Regular Board Meeting.**

6. Supervisor Getty stated that the purpose of this Special Meeting of the Township of Lyons' Finance Committee of the Whole Board was to review the finances from the end of Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and to discuss the proposed budgets of the various Township Offices and Departments for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. Supervisor Getty stated that there would be no votes for approval taken at this meeting.

7. Supervisor Getty reported that after a review of the budgets for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 it was noted that interest income for the year was substantially down, as well as Property Tax income. Once all revenue is accounted for the current fiscal year then a decision and prognostication will be made regarding line budget expenditures for Fiscal Year 2026 / 2027 at a future meeting.

8. Supervisor Getty commented that some items that the Finance Committee needs to take into consideration for the General Town Budget in the upcoming fiscal year is that salaries usually increase between 2-3 ½ % annually dependent upon the cost of living index. It is also foreseen that the expenditure for Technology, IT, Capital Improvements, Health Insurance, Legal Fees, Consulting, and Insurance will have to be increased for the coming year. Supervisor Getty stated that repairs and maintenance are forecasted to be fewer and that in December of 2026 the Township of Lyons will make its last Bond Payment.

9. Looking at the Individual Departmental Budgets & in discussion with the various Department Heads, Supervisor Getty reported the following:

- The Assessor's Budget could remain same.
- The Clerk's Part-Time Employee Line Item could be increased.
- The Community Programs budget could be increased due to increased participation and attendance in such programs as Repair Café, Chair Yoga, Various Community Group Luncheons, and other Senior Programs.
- The Emergency / Natural Disaster's Line Item could remain the same.
- The Senior Transportation Budget line-item Lease to Buy a Bus could be increased due to the age of the oldest bus in the current fleet.
- The Supervisor's Office Budget could be increased due to the addition of a part-time Finance Assistant.
- The Road & Bridge administration budget item could remain the same.

- **The Road & Bridge Maintenance & Repair Budget line could be increased due to the need to do major road work on some of the unincorporated area roads.**
- **The General Assistance Budget could increase their Home Relief Line Item which helps with utilities, food, and rent.**
- **The Special Police Protection Budget could remain the same.**

Supervisor Getty stated that the discussed potential recommendations to the budget are hypothetical until reviewed by all Department Heads and are subject to change prior to the approval of the Proposed Tentative 2026 / 2027 Budget and its adoption at a Budget Hearing on the same at least 30 days hence.

10. Supervisor Getty stated that Township of Lyons' Trustee Candice Mares recommended that for ease of bookkeeping, expenditures from Township of Lyons Offices should submit the same standard form to the Finance Department for payment and proper allocation to the respective department. Supervisor Getty asked that all offices begin to use the form that the Township of Lyons' Clerk's Office presently uses to submit their expenses. Copies of the form have been distributed to all offices.

11. Supervisor Getty commented that the 2011 Policy that was approved by the Township of Lyons' Board of Trustees in June of 2011 was written as a guide on the awarding of grants and donations and will be upgraded to an actual policy via Attorney Arlene Cabana to be voted upon at a future Township of Lyons' Board of Trustees meeting.

12. Supervisor Getty stated that for enhanced safety for Township of Lyons' Employees and Visitors, he has solicited two bids for the installation of security cameras on the premises. One bid from Hyper IT is at a proposed cost of \$12,465.00 and that he is awaiting another proposal from a second security firm. Supervisor Getty commented that funding for the security cameras would come from the Capital Improvements Line Item in the budget.

13. *Adjournment* – Supervisor Getty asked for a motion to adjourn the Township of Lyons’ Special Meeting of the Finance Committee of the Whole Board. Trustee Mares moved; Trustee Imielski seconded to adjourn the Township of Lyons’ Special Meeting of the Finance Committee of the Whole Board on January 28, 2026 at 6:44 p.m.
Voice Vote in favor by all.
Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Elyse Hoffenberg

Clerk, Township of Lyons