Agenda
Riley Township
Annual Town Meeting

April 8, 2025

7:00PM

A. Opening Pledge of Allegiance
B. Election of Moderator and Oath
C. Approval of 2024 Minutes
D. Treasurer's Report
   1. Approval of Financial Statements
E. Township Officials Reports
F. Old Business
G. New Business
   1. Resolution to Transfer Funds from the Town Fund to the Permanent Hard Road Fund
   2. Donation to Riley Center Cemetery
   3. Resolution 04-08 Oppose Township Consolidation into County Government.
H. Disposal of Surplus Equipment of the Road District
I. Approval of 2026 Annual Town Meeting Time and Place (April 14, 2026 at 7:00 PM at the Riley Town Hall)
J. Adjourn Meeting

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RESOLUTION No. 04-08

OPPOSE TOWNSHIP CONSOLIDATION INTO COUNTY GOVERNMENT

RILEY TOWNSHIP   MCHENRY, County , Illinois.

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Whereas **SB 2504**, **SB 2217** and **HB 2515,** introduced by the 113th Illinois General Assembly in March 2025 is asking for the consolidation of township government.

WHEREAS The electors of the Township of Riley in the County of McHenry is opposed to these initiatives and recognizes that Townships in Illinois provide many services outside of the three statutory obligations of road and bridge maintenance, property assessment and general assistance; and

WHERAS, The Electors of Township of Riley recognize the following:

The legislation does not consider that over 72,000 miles of roads are maintained by road districts in Illinois and approximately 12,000 bridges; and

That current state law exists that allows a township to consolidate if the initiative is petitioned and with voter approval; and

Past attempts like those provided for in this legislation have failed in Illinois; and

The research has proven that such attempts result in increased costs overall for local government; and

Township Government has the lowest debt and expense per capital in local government and taxpayers; and

WHEREAS the Township of Riley in the County of McHenry will only support any statewide effort of township consolidation if valid cost impact analysis is completed and proof that the level of services provided will remain.

This would eliminate many community-based services that are important to the public.

PASSED THIS   8th day of April 2025 by the Electors duly assembled at the Riley Township Town Meeting, McHenry County, Illinois.

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TOWNSHIP CLERK

RESOLUTION No. 04-07

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RILEY TOWNSHIP   MCHENRY, County , Illinois.

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WHEREAS The Board of Township Trustees of the Township of Riley in the County of McHenry is opposed to these initiatives and recognizes that Townships in Illinois provide many services outside of the three statutory obligations of road and bridge maintenance, property assessment and general assistance; and

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PASSED THIS _____ day of _____ 2025 by then The Township Board of Trustees duly assembled at Riley Township, McHenry County, Illinois.

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TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR   *TOWNSHIP CLERK*