

# TOWNSHIP OF FLOWERFIELD

## ST. JOSEPH COUNTY

### March 14, 2017 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

- **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT** - Myron Fuller, Carroll Parmeter, Ron Shaver, Evelyn Flowers, Alan Pearson
- **CALL TO ORDER** - Carroll called the meeting to order at 7 PM
- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Recited
- **BOARD MEMBER ADDITIONS** - Add website update to UNFINISHED BUSINESS. Add dump passes to NEW BUSINESS
- **APPROVAL OF March 14, 2017 Agenda** - Ron motion, Carroll second, motion carried
- **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS** - None
- **APPROVAL OF March 7, 2017 Budget Hearing Meeting Minutes** - Myron motion, Alan second, motion carried
- **GUEST/PUBLIC COMMENTS** - Allen Balog with short update of St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners and Road Commission. Joe Woodin asked about monies from residents who call emergency services
- **CORRESPONDENCE** - None

#### REPORTS

- **SUPERVISOR, CARROLL PARMETER** - None
- **CLERK, MYRON FULLER** - None
- **TREASURER, ALAN PEARSON** - MAESA- 2 ambulance runs and 1 fire department run. They are trying to buy new tools
- **TRUSTEE, RON SHAVER** - None
- **TRUSTEE, EVELYN FLOWERS** - MTA training was a success
- **ASSESSOR, SHALICE NORTHROP** - Absent. Carroll reported BOR and 1 more next week
- **PLANNING COMMISSION, GREG HAMELINK** - Absent. Joe Woodin reports Neil Ferrell and Richard Rice would like to attend Citizen Planner course at \$295 each. Ron motion, Evelyn second. Roll call vote: All yes. Motion carried
- **BLIGHT OFFICER, MIKE HAYDON** - Handed out and discussed code enforcement report
- **BUILDING INSPECTOR, RANDY SCHMELING** - Absent
- **ZONING ADMINISTRATOR, DOUG KUHLMAN** - Absent
- **SEXTON, BILL KRUGER** - Problem with Mt. Zion Road by cemetery.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- **Approval of township officials salary increase** - Supervisor, \$11500, Alan motion, Ron second. Roll call vote, all yes. Motion carried. Clerk, \$15000, Alan motion, Evelyn second. Roll call vote: all yes. Motion carried. Treasurer, \$15000, Carroll motion, Myron second. Roll call vote: all yes. Motion carried. Trustees, \$2500 each, Carroll motion, Myron second. Roll call vote: all yes. Motion carried.
- **Approval of the 2017/18 township budget** - Alan motion, Myron second. Roll call vote: all yes. Motion carried
- **Website update** - Ron reports new website is being update but is not completed. Can be seen at [www.flowerfieldtwp.net](http://www.flowerfieldtwp.net)

#### NEW BUSINESS

- **Approve Zoning Ordinance** - Carroll motion to move forward with process, Alan second, motion carried

- **Approve Flowerfield Township Banks for 2017/18 fiscal year - Current banks are Southern Michigan Bank & Trust, G.W. Jones Exchange Bank and Flagstar Bank - Myron motion, Carroll second, motion carried**
- **Approve Flowerfield Township Attorney for 2017/18 fiscal year - Current Attorney is Bauckham, Sparks, Rolfe, Lohrstorfer & Stall, PC - Ron motion, Evelyn second, motion carried**
- **Approve Flowerfield Township Auditor for 2017/18 fiscal year - Current Auditor Siegfried Crandall, PC - Carroll motion, Evelyn second, motion carried**
- **Set Mileage reimbursement rate for 2017/18 fiscal year- Current IRS rate is 53.5 cents/mile - Alan motion, Ron second, motion carried**
- **Approve Flowerfield Township Sexton contract for 2017/18 fiscal year - Myron motion, Evelyn second, motion carried**
- **Approve Flowerfield Township Assessor and employee contract for 2017/2018 fiscal year - Evelyn motion, Ron second, motion carried**
- **Amend the 2016/17 budget - Myron motion to amend the Elections department by adding \$200 from Bldg & Grounds - Telephone (101.265.850), Alan second, motion carried**
- **Approve schedule of regular meetings for 2017/18 fiscal year - Myron motion, Alan second, motion carried**
- **Dump passes - Alan motion to approve dump passes again for 2017/18 fiscal year, Evelyn second, motion carried**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** - Joseph and Jessie Frey wanted if the township hall could be rented out. Carroll stated that the policy is no.

**APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES (6188 – 6219)** - Carroll motion, Myron second, motion carried

**ADJOURNMENT** - Myron motion, Evelyn second, motion carried at 8:01 PM