

**ROSE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
October 8, 2014**

The following residents and guests signed in as present:

Maura Jung	Kurt Jung	Darlyne Stanczyk	Sandra Villarreal
Jim Walters	Sandra Walters	Kevin Rushton	Dior Rushton
Adnan Aswad	Barbara Aswad	Mark Bolan	Jim Weil
Susan Les			

Other(s) present: Susan Weaver (recording secretary)

Supervisor Gambka called the regular meeting of the Rose Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Rose Township Hall, 9080 Mason Street, Rose Township, Michigan and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: Miller, Trevethan, Scheib-Snider, Gambka

Board Members Absent: Kemp

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A. Approval of Proposed Agenda for October 8, 2014

Trevethan adds B under New Business – Letter from Burnham & Flower

Moved by Trevethan, seconded by Miller, motion carried to approve the Agenda as amended.

Voting Yes: Scheib-Snider, Miller, Trevethan, Gambka

Voting No: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2014

B. Receipt of Monthly Reports

- Building Department
- Constable
- NOCFA
- HAYA
- Financial Reports (Revenue and Expense Reports/Balance Sheets by Fund)
- Treasurer Report
- CDBG Report

C. Payment of Bills

Moved by Scheib-Snider, seconded by Trevethan, motion carried to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted.

Voting Yes: Scheib-Snider, Miller, Trevethan, Gambka

Voting No: None

PRESENTATIONS:

None

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS/AGENDA ITEMS ONLY (limit comments to 3 minutes each item):

Kevin Rushton, resident commented that he has an abandoned home on his street and has been in contact with the township for over four years on this matter. He believes it should be deemed a Dangerous Building as defined by ordinance and state code.

Jim Walters, resident commented that he too has an abandoned property next door to him and believes that the bank that foreclosed is negligent in this property and how it has not been cared for.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Discussion of Abandoned Houses

Supervisor Gambka states that the Board is aware of many of the houses and they have been trying to find the worst of the houses and attempted to get homeowners to resolve the issues. The Township is now utilizing Code Enforcement Services to start the process of condemnation if the homeowners will not cooperate. However, there is a legal and lengthy process involved and the township must follow the law. We must go to court and courts are very reluctant to allow municipalities to just start tearing down people's home. Holly Shores is the worst part of the Township with empty trailers and trash and the courts have declined to let the township remove them without following a process first. It will not get resolved easily and quickly.

Constable Emile Bair said he sent three letters out this week and received a response from one. The homeowner said she is going to demolish the property. Mr. Bair further stated that he just now found out that to demolish a structure requires a permit.

B. FSA Plan Discussion

Trevethan states that last month we had a discussion on the FSA Plan and the timeframe of what it would be, November 1 or January 1. The Board agreed that it would be January 1 but Burnham & Flower suggested that it should be run on the actual timeframe of benefits which is November 1. The Board concurred with the recommendation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. Next Regular Planning Commission Meeting – October 2, 2014 (Cancelled)**
- B. Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting, October 7, 2014 - (Cancelled)**
- C. NOCFA Board Meeting – October 20, 2014 – 6:30 p.m. – Rose Township Office**
- D. Assessing Office – 2nd Tuesday every month – 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. – Rose Township**
- E. Next Township Board Meeting — November 12, 2014, 7:30 p.m.**
- F. Cemetery Committee Meetings – TBD - Rose Township Offices**
- G. 24/7 Rose Township Recycling – 9080 Mason Street, Holly, MI**

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS:

- A. **NOCFA** – Trevethan states this Saturday is NOCFA's Open House from 1 pm to 4 pm at Station 1 on Grange Hall Rd. NOCFA received a tribute signed by Gov. Snyder recognizing the work of NOCFA.
- B. **Planning Commission** - None
- C. **Holly Area Youth Assistance (HAYA)** – Schieb-Snider says they are working on the toy project.
- D. **Cemetery Committee** – None.
- E. **Parks and Recreation** – None.
- F. **Supervisor's Report** – Supervisor Gambka said he has 575 trees to plant this weekend. Any help would be appreciated.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT – General Items NOT on Agenda (limit comments to 3 minutes each item):

Clerk Miller stated there is a General Election 4 weeks from yesterday.

Suzanne Les, resident provided the board with documents as to how she would like to adjust her lot line with her neighbor.

Sandy Villarreal, resident stated she has some names of people that could help plant trees. The Consumers Energy has a project in the area and they will not do it unless they have 50% of the residents on board. It is only \$50 per month per resident. Clerk Miller said they finance the total dollar amount over a 10 year period and is part of the monthly bill.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Scheib-Snider, seconded by Trevethan, motion carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Voting Yes: Scheib-Snider, Miller, Trevethan, Gambka

Voting No: None

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm

Approved/Corrected



Debbie Miller, CMC
Rose Township Clerk