

**Regular Meeting  
February 20, 2018 6:00 P.M.**

**OPENING PRAYER Offered by:** Offered by: Supervisor Shallenberger

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Led by:** Supervisor Shallenberger

**Meeting called to order by:** Supervisor Shallenberger

**ROLL CALL: Bresnahan (x) Hranka (x) Lawson (x) Pentecost (x) Shallenberger (x) McCormick (x)  
McCool (s) Christianson (x)**

**Bid Opening: Spray Patch Bids Opening – Ace in the Hole and Midwest Asphalt.**

**Guests:** Gordon Sweatt, Alan Deal, Frieda Herron, Nick Gauwitz, Brian Manuel, Dan Parr, Alan Hankins, Jill Blair and Terry Patterson.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & COMMENTS:** Jill Blair introduced herself and spoke to the audience about her the upcoming election and her candidacy for Representative for the 88<sup>th</sup> District of Illinois. She says she has been trying to visit as many Townships in her district as possible to speak to residents about her focus on priorities she feels Springfield has ignored for too long. She says the state has gone two and a half years without a state budget and feels we need new ideas. She spoke to her qualifications as a lifelong Illinoisan and background in the public school system; her priorities include education, senior citizens, mental health and addiction among others. She thanked the board for the time to speak.

Frieda Herron spoke about wanting to have a Memorial Garden to honor Gene Ward who recently passed away. She says the library will install and maintain the Butterfly Garden making sure we consult with the road department as to the layout so as not to interfere with any of their work. The board feels this would be a very nice addition and all approved.

**Approve Minutes for: January 16, 2017 Minutes Regular Meeting:**

**Motion by:** Pentecost                      **Second by:** Hranka

**Discussion:** None

**All in favor: Aye - 5      Nay - 0      Absent - 0**

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT:**

**Motion by:** Hranka

**Second by:** Bresnahan

**Discussion:**

**Roll Call**

**Bresnahan (x)**

**Hranka (x)**

**Lawson (x)**

**Pentecost (x)**

**Shallenberger (x)**

**Motion Carried**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **General Assistance/Emergency income allowance allowable household amount increase.**

**Motion by:** Hranka

**Second by:** Bresnahan

**Discussion:** Board discussion on raising the household monthly allowance from \$600.00 to \$750.00 to be more in line with other Illinois townships and the federal guidelines. The consensus of the board was to raise monthly household income requirement to \$750.00 this year then to consider other increases or guideline changes in the future as the EA/GA budget increases.

**Roll Call**

**Bresnahan (x)**

**Hranka (x)**

**Lawson (x)**

**Pentecost (x)**

**Shallenberger (x)**

**Motion Carried**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Spray Patch Bid Acceptance. Bid Opening: Spray Patch Bids Opening to Ace in the Hole.**

**Motion by:** Bresnahan

**Second by:** Lawson

**Discussion:**

**Roll Call**

**Bresnahan (x)**

**Hranka (x)**

**Lawson (x)**

**Pentecost (x)**

**Shallenberger (x)**

**Motion Carried**

2. **Resolution of Appointment of Mescher Law Offices as Town and Road District Attorney.**

**Motion by:** Shallenberger

**Second by:** Pentecost

**Discussion:** None

**Roll Call**

**Bresnahan (x)**

**Hranka (x)**

**Lawson (x)**

**Pentecost (x)**

**Shallenberger (x)**

**Motion Carried**

**Road Commissioner's Report: Jim McCool:**

Commissioner McCool introduced the road crew in attendance and thanked them for all their hard work. Spray Patching should begin around May or June.

**Assessors Report: by Raelyn McCormick**

I continue to value properties. Garrett has completed all the Home Improvement Exemption forms and they are awaiting my signature. Garrett has resigned and will begin his new job at Keystone Steel and Wire on February 19, 2018. He has been a valuable employee of the Assessor's Office for almost three years. While I wish him success (and much more money than I could ever pay him) he will be certainly missed. I will not be looking for a replacement until the books are complete and turned in for spring. Supervisor Shallenberger agreed that with his help the Assessor's office was able to get caught up.

**General Assistant Report: Dec/Jan 2018 by: Stephanie Stecken, Case Worker.**

**Jan/Feb G.A./E.A. EXPENDITURES: \$.00**

**Jan/Feb G.A. REPORT:** There was only one inquiry this month. She picked up document packet and called to schedule an appointment after gathering needed documents but was a "no show" for that appointment. Client is sanctioned for 90 days for applying again; no further action has been taken.

**Jan/Feb E.A. REIMBURSEMENTS: \$.00**

**Executive Session Request:** None Requested

**PAYING OF BILLS:**

**Motion to Pay Town Bills:**

**Motion by:** Hranka

**Second by:** Bresnahan

**Discussion:** None

**Roll Call**

**Bresnahan (x)**

**Hranka (x)**

**Lawson (x)**

**Pentecost (x)**

**Shallenberger (x)**

**Motion Carried**

**Motion to pay GA bills:**

**Motion by:** Hranka

**Second by:** Lawson

**Discussion:** None

**Roll Call**

**Bresnahan (x)**

**Hranka (x)**

**Lawson (x)**

**Pentecost (x)**

**Shallenberger (x)**

**Motion Carried**

**Motion to Pay Road & Bridge bills:**

**Motion by:** Bresnahan

**Second by:** Hranka

**Discussion:** None

**Roll Call**

**Bresnahan (x)**

**Hranka (x)**

**Lawson (x)**

**Pentecost (x)**

**Shallenberger (x)**

**Motion Carried**

**Motion to Pay Special or Permanent Road Bills:**

**Motion by:** Bresnahan

**Second by:** Lawson

**Discussion:** None

**Roll Call**

**Bresnahan (x)**

**Hranka (x)**

**Lawson (x)**

**Pentecost (x)**

**Shallenberger (x)**

**Motion Carried**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN by: Motion by: Pentecost Second by: Bresnahan**

**Voice Votes: All in Favor Motion Carried: Meeting Adjourned at: 6:35 PM**

**Respectfully Submitted: Pam Christianson, Town Clerk**