

**MINUTES OF THE SOUTHFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON July 9, 2024**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor O'Reilly called the July 9, 2024 meeting of the Southfield Township Board of Trustees to order at the Township Hall at 7:00 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Supervisor O'Reilly, Clerk Harryvan, Treasurer Chalifoux, Trustee Cook, Trustee Nelson, Trustee Newitt

Absent: Trustee Paul Scarcello

Others: Janet Mooney, Amber Taylor

3. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

(A) Supervisor's Report

Supervisor O'Reilly brought attention to the new chairs bought for the meeting room. He will be preparing a lease agreement about the use of the Township Hall meeting room and present it to the Board. He will review the Township's Animal Control agreement to include any amendments and adjustments. This will help the new Supervisor who may want to make changes in 2026 when the contract expires. The Michigan House passed a bill regarding the beginning date of new terms of office. In the past, terms of office ended on November 20th. If the Senate agrees, the new Bill will change the date to December 1st and take effect in December 2025.

(B) Clerk's Report

Clerk Harryvan reported that the Animal Control, Franklin/Bingham Farms Police and Fire Departments monthly reports have been received. There was nothing out of the ordinary in them and as always, the reports can be reviewed in the Clerk's Office. Patrick Bresnahan and Chris Dobies have been working on preliminary testing of the tabulators. On July 1 nearly 4,000 absentee voter ballots were mailed out. The first day of Early Voting is July 27 at the Early Voting Center located in the Bloomfield Township Library. Primary Election Day is August 6th.

(C) Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Chalifoux reported that tax collection began July 1st and has been busy. The Township's investments are very favorable. While interest rates have declined slightly, they are still favorable. There was a problem with the tax bill mailings as the folding machine did not work. The options of either replacement costs or purchasing a new one are being discussed.

4. PUBLIC HEARING FOR POLICE AND FIRE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICTS

Supervisor O'Reilly opened the Public Hearing at 7:14 PM. There were no comments. Supervisor O'Reilly closed the Public Hearing at 7:15 PM.

5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION TO ADOPT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION BY VILLAGE OF BEVERLY HILLS FOR 2024-2025

Resolved by Supervisor O’Reilly, seconded by Treasurer Chalifoux, that the resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS the voters of the unincorporated area of Southfield Township having expressed their desires for the setting up of special assessment districts for fire and police protection; and

WHEREAS the Southfield Township Board of Trustees is cognizant of the need for such Special Assessment Districts

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that since a public hearing has been held to determine estimates of costs and expenses for the establishment of fire and police protection Special Assessment Districts pursuant to MCL 41.801 et seq., the following shall be levied for the unincorporated area of Southfield Township to be serviced by the Village of Beverly Hills at a rate of 9.4608 mills per \$1,000 of Taxable Value (TV).

<u>SIDWELL</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TV</u>	<u>FEE</u>
T 24-01-301-003	Albert & Laura Hayward-Ramaj 17342 W. 13 Mile Road	\$106,800	\$1,010.42
T 24-01-301-004	Midwest Memorial Group LLC 31300 Southfield Road, Suite 1	\$147,710	\$1,397.46 + 700.00 \$2,097.46*

*The total charge of \$2,097.46 is based on 9.4608 mills times the taxable value of the \$147,710 plus, a \$700.00 charge for unassessed land.

Ayes: Trustee Newitt, Trustee Nelson, Trustee Cook, Treasurer Chalifoux. Clerk Harryvan, Supervisor O’Reilly
Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously

6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION TO ADOPT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR FIRE SERVICES BY THE FRANKLIN-BINGHAM FARMS FIRE DEPT. FOR 2024-2025

Resolved by Clerk Harryvan, seconded by Treasurer Chalifoux, that the resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS the voters of the unincorporated area of Southfield Township having expressed their desires for the setting up of Special Assessment Districts for fire protection; and

WHEREAS the Southfield Township Board of Trustees is cognizant of the need for such Special Assessment Districts

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that since a public hearing has been set for the establishment of a fire protection Special Assessment District pursuant to MCL 41.801, et seq, for the unincorporated area of Southfield Township to be serviced by the Franklin-Bingham Farms Fire Department at the rate of 2.00 mills per \$1000 taxable value for the following properties:

<u>SIDWELL</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TAXABLE VALUE</u>	<u>FEE</u>
T 24-06-101-001	Daan & Eileen Harryvan 27360 W. 14 Mile Rd. Franklin. MI 48025	\$357,910	\$715.82
T 24-06-101-002	Burton D. Farbman, Trustee 27272 W. 14 Mile Rd. Franklin, MI 48025	\$376,800	\$753.60
T 24-06-101-003	Jameela Hepburn 27220 W. 14 Mile Rd. Franklin, MI 48025	\$322,800	\$645.60
T 24-06-104-004	Prashanth Balusu & Sashi Chilakapati 27190 W. 14 Mile Rd. Franklin, MI 48025	\$279,070	\$558.14
T 24-06-101-005	Allen S, & Danielle Shifman 27170 W. 14 Mile Rd. Franklin, MI 48025	\$266,550	\$533.10
T 24-06-101-006	John Rogers 27160 W. 14 Mile Rd. Franklin, MI 48025	\$252,090	\$504.18
T 24-06-101-007	Patrick O'Connor 27158 W. 14 Mile Rd. Franklin, MI 48025	\$154,890	\$309.78

Ayes: Trustee Nelson, Trustee Cook, Treasurer Chalifoux. Clerk Harryvan, Supervisor O'Reilly, Trustee Newitt

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously

7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION TO ADOPT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR POLICE SERVICES BY VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN-BINGHAM FARMS POLICE DEPT. FOR 2024-2025

Resolved by Trustee Newitt, supported by Trustee Nelson, the resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS the voters of the unincorporated area of Southfield Township having expressed their desires for the setting up of Special Assessment Districts for police protection; and

WHEREAS the Southfield Township Board of Trustees is cognizant of the need for such Special Assessment Districts

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that since a public hearing has been set for the establishment of a police protection Special Assessment District pursuant to MCL 41.851, et seq, for the unincorporated area of Southfield Township to be serviced by the Franklin-Bingham Farms Police Dept., the Township of Southfield adopts a rate of 4.00 mills per \$1000 taxable value for the following properties:

<u>SIDWELL</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TAXABLE VALUE</u>	<u>FEE</u>
T 24-06-101-001	Daan & Eileen Harryvan 27360 W. 14 Mile Rd. Franklin. MI 48025	\$357,910	\$1,431.64
T 24-06-101-002	Burton D. Farbman, Trustee 27272 W. 14 Mile Rd. Franklin, MI 48025	\$376,800	\$1,507.20
T 24-06-101-003	Jameela Hepburn 27220 W. 14 Mile Rd. Franklin, MI 48025	\$322,800	\$1,291.20
T 24-06-104-004	Prashanth Balusu & Sashi Chilakapati 27190 W. 14 Mile Rd. Franklin, MI 48025	\$279,070	\$1,116.28
T 24-06-101-005	Allen S, & Danielle Shifman 27170 W. 14 Mile Rd. Franklin, MI 48025	\$266,550	\$1,066.20
T 24-06-101-006	John Rogers 27160 W. 14 Mile Rd. Franklin, MI 48025	\$252,090	\$1,008.36
T 24-06-101-007	Patrick O'Connor 27158 W. 14 Mile Rd. Franklin, MI 48025	\$154,890	\$619.56

Ayes: Trustee Cook, Treasurer Chalifoux, Clerk Harryvan, Supervisor O'Reilly, Trustee Newitt, Trustee Nelson

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously

9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF JUNE 2024 EXPENDITURES

Trustee Nelson reviewed the bills and totals and found everything correct. Total check payments were \$145,875.23. The total EFT transfer was \$31,311.45. The total monthly expenditures were \$177,186.68.

Motion by Treasurer Chalifoux, seconded by Trustee Cook, to approve the June 2024 Total Monthly Expenditures, as presented.

Motion carried unanimously

10. COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Newitt Hoped everyone continues to have a great summer. He was glad to hear that no one got hurt in the storm.

Nelson Was sorry to see that Jeff Campbell was leaving his position in Beverly Hills.

Cook Hope everyone's summer is going well. See you in September.

Chalifoux Agrees with Nelson and is sad to see Jeff Campbell leave. A discussion may be needed to discuss the re-planting of the trees in front of the building. Happy Summer. See you in September.

Harryvan She is impressed with Beverly Hills' response to the storm. She will submit an insurance claim with Michigan Municipal League for minor storm damage. There have been power issues causing intermittent power to the air conditioning and a partial outage causing the generator to cycle on and off.

O'Reilly Complimented Nelson on the fabulous job he has done on the landscaping. Regarding the subject of the cemetery fence which Nelson mentioned O'Reilly detailed the Cemetery's response to the Township's March letter. He will respond back to the Cemetery in writing. There will not be a board meeting in August. The next meeting will be on September 10th. The Board of Review meeting will be next Tuesday, July 16th. Planning Commission meeting will be August 27th and the next holiday will be Labor Day, September 2nd.

Supervisor O'Reilly adjourned the meeting at 7:37 PM.

James O'Reilly, Supervisor

Eileen Harryvan, Clerk