

**RIVER FOREST TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, May 23, 2017**

The regular monthly meeting of the RIVER FOREST TOWNSHIP Board of Trustees took place on Tuesday, May 23. The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Supervisor Carla Sloan.

Roll Call

Present: Supervisor Carla Sloan, Trustees Mark Kelty, Helene Connolly, Karen Taubman and Holly Economos. Also present: Clerk Abby Schmelling

Public Participation

No public was in attendance.

Supervisor Sloan announced by statute the Public Hearing on the FY2017-2018 Budget. Carla went through the draft of the budget and a summary of the numbers to clarify items and answer any questions. Carla also mentioned additions and corrections to the draft budget from earlier copies. She showed the trustees where the budget is for FY2018 versus FY2017's actual numbers. The new budget increases will reflect a large emphasis on communications and outreach. Carla expanded on some of these projects that will be covered. Increases will also occur in the big three service areas of seniors, youth and mental health. Carla explained the Fund Balance sheet and it's need to be spent down to investment spend on programs, i.e. the Township intentionally does not want to have a balanced budget for next year.

The final budget will be voted upon at the June 13, 2017 meeting.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

New Business

There was no new business.

The next regular monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 13 at 7pm. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Trustee Economos and seconded by Trustee Connolly. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Abby Schmelling, Clerk