

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP
September 8, 2015

The regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board was called to order at 7:31 p.m. by Supervisor Platt who then led the flag pledge. Present: Supervisor Bob Platt, Clerk Sue Whitehead, Treasurer Terri Moore, Trustees Mike Kelley and Dan VanValkenburg. Absent: none. The minutes were approved as presented. The Treasurer's Report showed income of \$17,584.58 and expenses of \$32,291.48. Additional bills submitted for approval: Exxon Mobil-\$122.80 (Cemetery Fuel), The Daily Telegram-\$140.50 (Printing), Co. Printing & Purchasing-\$37.55 (Clerk-Envelopes), Jacqueline Benedict-\$75 (Clean Hall/Sept.). Kelley moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and all bills submitted for payment. Whitehead supported and motion carried 5-0. Supervisor Platt suspended the regular order of business in order to hold the Fire Protection Hearing. Sand Lake Fire Chief Mark Wilson gave a presentation to those present. Wilson stated the fire budget for the last year was \$334,975. The department's fundraising totaled \$4,200 and there is still no charge for residents for a call due to the fire millage. There were 228 calls over the past year and 126 of those calls were for medical. The department is operating with a staff of 26. Chief Wilson stated a new jeep was purchased to replace a 30 year old model and also displayed some new updated rescue equipment. VanValkenburg asked if dry hydrants in the Township were still being used and Wilson responded yes. Wilson requested the 2.5 mils be renewed. Whitehead moved to approve a renewal of 2.5 mils for fire protection for 2015-16. Moore seconded and motion carried 5-0. The Board returned to the regular order of business.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Platt will continue to work on the pickleball costs for the old tennis courts.

Building Official Bruce Nickel answered questions regarding dog issues in the Township and illegal camping at the lakes.

NEW BUSINESS

1-Land Division application: Juanita Rieve with property at 8510 Beebe Hwy, Tipton (FR0-129-4200-00) requested to split 3.046 acres from the parent parcel. The Land Division Committee recommended approval of the application. VanValkenburg moved to approve the land split as presented. Whitehead supported and motion carried 5-0. Approval of the land division does not mean zoning compliance.

Whitehead moved to approve the purchase of 2 ft. x 2 ft. maps of all 36 sections of the Township for \$180 plus the supplies needed to hold them per Assessor's request. Moore seconded and motion carried 5-0.

VanValkenburg updated those present that there will be a Board of Appeals meeting September 15th at 6:30 p.m. followed by a Planning Commission meeting at 7:30 p.m. regarding a proposed cell tower on Service Road and the proximity to an existing cell tower on Carson Hwy.

Electrical Inspector Dick Curtis gave an update regarding electrical violation issues in the Township.

Under public comment an Evans Lake resident was present with complaints concerning a neighboring residence with excessive number of dogs and other dog related issues.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Sue Whitehead
Franklin Township Clerk