

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

November 12, 2019

The regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor VanValkenburg who then led the flag pledge. Present: Supervisor Dan VanValkenburg, Clerk Sue Whitehead, Treasurer Terri Moore, Trustees Mike Kelley and Gordy Whelan. Absent: none. The minutes from the last meeting and special minutes from 10/23/19 were both approved as presented. The Treasurer reported income of \$6,751.62 and expenses of \$38,308.17. Additional bills submitted for approval: Consumers Energy-\$55.80 (LED), Bader & Son-\$600 (1-Mulch Kit JD Mower), LCRC-\$493.28 (Cemetery Shoulder Edging). Whelan moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and all bills presented for payment. Kelley supported. Motion carried 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor VanValkenburg commented that the shoulder edging at the Franklin Cemetery drive was finished and looked good.

NEW BUSINESS

The Franklin Planning Commission submitted a proposed Sign Ordinance for the Board to review. Supervisor VanValkenburg pointed out a few areas that were confusing. The minor changes were made followed by discussion. Moore moved to adopt Sign Ordinance #19-5 including the wording changes mentioned. Whelan supported. Roll Call Vote: Whelan-yes, Kelley-yes, Whitehead-yes, Moore-yes, VanValkenburg-yes. Motion passed 5-0 unanimously. The Ordinance will take effect 30 days after publication.

Board reviewed a culvert bid from the Lenawee Co. Road Commission for N. Adrian Hwy (U.S. 12 to Taylor Rd.) for \$1,481.48. Whitehead moved to approve the bid as presented. Kelley supported. Motion carried 5-0.

Zoning Report from Bruce Nickel was reviewed. Zoning enforcement was discussed noting 4 civil infraction notices were issued.

Whitehead updated the Board that there would be a few up-coming election expenses that was mentioned at the last budget meeting. A new Electronic Pollbook laptop was needed in order to update to Windows 10, and a second election tabulator for use with an Absent Voter Counting Board due to the passing of Proposal 18-3. The Presidential Primary Election will be held March 10, 2020.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Sue Whitehead, Franklin Township Clerk