

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

January 8, 2019

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 corrected to read: Whitehead moved to amend the budget and transfer from the contingency fund \$2,000 to Plumbing Inspections. Moore supported. Motion carried 4-0. The minutes were approved as corrected. The Board reviewed a budget comparison through 1/8/19. Whitehead moved to amend the budget and transfer from the contingency fund: \$2,000 to Mechanical Inspections, \$6,000 to Building Inspections, and \$25,000 to Hwy/Sts/Bridges. VanValkenburg supported the motion. Motion carried 5-0. The Treasurer reported income of \$11,423.13 and expenses of \$23,296.30. Additional bills submitted for approval: Consumers Energy-\$270.78 (Direct Pay), Co. Printing & Purchasing-\$147.92 (Treasurer Envelopes), Jacqueline Benedict-\$75 (Clean Hall), Tecumseh Herald-\$103.05 (Printing), 2-National Electrical Code Books-\$88.20 each + shipping (Inspector). Kelley moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and bills submitted for payment. VanValkenburg supported. Motion carried 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

The Board reviewed an updated proposed Blight Ordinance that was tabled from the December meeting. After some discussion VanValkenburg moved to adopt Blight Elimination Ordinance #19-1. Whitehead supported. Roll Call Vote: VanValkenburg-yes, Kelley-yes, Moore-yes, Whitehead-yes, Platt-yes. Motion carried unanimously 5-0. The Ordinance will take effect 30 days after publication.

VanValkenburg presented a copy of a proposed Sign Ordinance and a Large Solar Farm Ordinance for the Board to review. These two items will be on the next Planning Commission meeting agenda in order to set public hearings for both.

Moore updated the Board that the Fathi-Schroeder account was closed as of 12/27/18.

NEW BUSINESS

VanValkenburg said at the last Planning Commission meeting it was brought up to change the start time of Board meeting's to 7:00 p.m., and to change the Planning Commission meeting night back to the original day. Whitehead took an unofficial poll with members from the other Board's, and the overwhelming majority approved of changing the Board meeting's to an earlier time. Moore

moved to change the Board meeting start time to 7:00 from 7:30 p.m. for all Board's effective February 1, 2019. Kelley supported. Motion carried 5-0. VanValkenburg moved to change the Planning Commission meetings to the 1st Tuesday of the month effective February 1, 2019. Whitehead supported. Motion carried 5-0.

Public comment was offered. Having no further business the Supervisor declared the meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

Sue Whitehead
Franklin Township Clerk