

# **FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP**

## **March 12, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board was called to order at 7:04 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 Board reviewed a budget comparison. Whitehead moved to amend the budget and transfer from the contingency fund \$5,000 to Sewer Collections and \$700 to Trustee Expenses. VanValkenburg supported the motion. Motion carried 5-0. The Treasurer reported income of \$47,210.13 and expenses of \$22,766.93. Kelley moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and all bills submitted for payment. VanValkenburg supported. Motion carried 5-0.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

The Board received a written request at the February 12<sup>th</sup> Board meeting to renew the Sand Lake weed control that is expiring May 2019. Whitehead moved to adopt Resolution of Intent #19-3R Sand Lake Weed Control. Moore supported. Roll Call Vote: VanValkenburg-yes, Kelley-yes, Moore-yes, Whitehead-yes, Platt-yes. Motion passed 5-0. The intent is to renew a special assessment district for weed control for designated parcels. There will be two public hearings. The first hearing is scheduled for April 9, 2019 at 6:30 p.m., and the second hearing to review the special assessment roll will be April 9, 2019 at 6:45 p.m.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Supervisor Platt stated that Rich Smith and Gary Roberts resigned from the Groundskeeper positions. They both did a great job keeping up the Cemeteries and Township grounds over the last 4 years. Platt stated Victor Whitehead and Harley Whitehead will fill the Groundskeeper positions effective immediately.

Whitehead informed the Board that long-time Deputy Clerk Julie Bock was resigning as of March 12, 2019. Julie will be greatly missed as Deputy. Whitehead appointed Kathy Ohlman as Deputy Clerk effective immediately.

Supervisor Platt recommended John Hinkley to fill a vacant seat on the Planning Commission. Whitehead moved to approve the appointment. Moore supported. Motion carried 5-0.

Supervisor Platt reappointed as of December 2018, Kim Goldmann, Jason Perry and Mark Hayford to the Board of Review for a new term.

VanValkenburg moved to renew 3-year terms for Joel Whelan, Doug Sherman and Larry Shea to the Planning Commission. Kelley supported. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board reviewed a quote for a new Ricoh copy machine for the hall from Perry Pro Tech for \$2,600. The Board decided to table the quote until the March 19<sup>th</sup> Budget Workshop.

VanValkenburg updated the Board that a request for a storage unit for an area zoned AG not commercial or industrial was being reviewed by the Planning Commission.

Supervisor Platt said Consumers Energy had contacted him regarding the 16 street lights in the Township. Consumers is in the process of preparing a quote for changing them over to LED.

Under public comment Howard Kapp who resides on Pawson Road was present with complaints about the “S” curves on Pawson are in need of gravel. Platt will look into the issue.

Having no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 8 p.m.

Sue Whitehead  
Franklin Township Clerk