

# FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

February 11, 2020

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 regular minutes and special minutes from 1/16/20 were approved as presented. The Treasurer reported income of \$119,278.14 and expenses of \$44,736.52. Three additional bills submitted for approval: Spectrum Printers-\$187 (election supplies), Lucas Law-\$150 (legal fees/Jan.), Consumers-\$58.65 (LED's). Kelley moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and all bills submitted for payment. Whelan supported. Motion carried 5-0.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Whitehead moved to adopt Resolution #2020-1R Authorizing Alternate Meeting Dates for March Board of Review 2020. Moore supported. Roll Call Vote: Whelan-yes, Kelley-yes, Moore-yes, Whitehead-yes, VanValkenburg-yes. Motion passed 5-0. Due to the March 10<sup>th</sup> Election it was necessary to alter the starting date in March when the BOR shall initially meet.

Kelley moved to waive the 3% late penalty for winter taxes for seniors (age 65+) if paid between February 15 to March 2, 2020. Whitehead supported. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board reviewed computer quotes received from Bruce Nickel for a new computer in the Building/Zoning Office in order to upgrade to Windows 10. IT Right-\$1,509.00 and Selective Data Systems-\$1,652.42 (installed). It was noted that the quote from SDS included installation. Moore moved to accept the quote received from SDS for \$1,652.42. Kelley supported. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board reviewed the monthly Zoning Report received from Bruce Nickel. Nickel informed the Board that 2 zoning violations have went to court. If the blight issues are not remedied then the next court hearing is scheduled for February 25<sup>th</sup>.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Tom Fisher who resides on Pentecost Hwy was present with concerns that Comcast (local cable provider) has made a station change and the news from the Detroit stations are no longer received. Now only the Toledo news stations are received. Whitehead said she would forward a contact name and number for Fisher to pursue the issue further.

Sand Lake Fire Chief Mark Wilson informed the Board that the Dept. recently purchased the LUCUS CPR device that Wilson had demonstrated at the last September Board meeting.

Supervisor VanValkenburg said Midwest Energy has been in contact with him and that a line clearing project will be starting in Franklin Township.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Sue Whitehead  
Franklin Township Clerk