

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP
July 8, 2014

The regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board was brought to order at 7:34 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 changed to read: 1.8 miles of gravel will be applied to S. Carson Hwy between M-50 and Robbins Road. The Treasurer reported income of \$22,205.91 and expenses of \$42,042.65. There were no additional expenses. Kelley moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and all bills presented for payment. VanValkenburg supported and motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Whitehead stated that the Sand Lake Property Owners Association has petitioned the Township for a Special Assessment District for weed control. Qualified signatures were received from property owners of 54.70% of the land that would make up the proposed assessment district. The petition states that the assessment will not exceed \$100 per year, per one equivalent share, for 5 years and includes waterfront properties. Whitehead moved to adopt Resolution #14-04R Intent to Proceed. Moore seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: VanValkenburg-yes, Kelley-yes, Moore-yes, Whitehead-yes, Platt-yes. Motion passed 5-0. The board set August 20, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. to hold a special assessment hearing and at 7:45 p.m. a special hearing for the assessment roll will be held.

Building & Zoning Official Bruce Nickel updated the board that the lawn at the Tipton Apartment building on M-50 has been mowed and also the commercial property on U.S. 12 has been mowed that was mentioned at the June board meeting. Nickel said the .Net conversion data has begun and training for three townships will soon follow. Nickel and Sand Lake Fire Chief Mark Wilson have met and are reviewing the Shady Lane and Twin Lakes addresses for any changes that may be needed for emergency information.

Supervisor Platt and Moore informed the board that the Loch Erin Sanitary Drain Improvements will not exceed \$300,000. 9.22% of the project is located in Franklin Township with 90.78% located in Cambridge Township.

Planning Commission Secretary VanValkenburg updated those present that the owners of the proposed winery on U.S. 12 have presented the topography and site plan for the Planning Commission to review. The Commission will address those plans at their August 7th meeting. Zoning Ordinance amendments have been updated and new zoning books are in the process of being printed.

NEW BUSINESS

Republican Mike Slusarski who is a candidate for Lenawee County Road Commissioner introduced himself and gave some background information while answering questions from those present.

Public comment was heard and having no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Sue Whitehead
Franklin Township Clerk