

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP
January 13, 2015

The regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board was called to order at 7:35 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 from the previous meeting were approved as read. The Treasurer reported income of \$14,093.50 and expenses of \$60,861.59. Valkenburg moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and all bills submitted for payment. Whitehead supported and motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

The Franklin Cemetery shed roof and fence were damaged due to a limb falling on it. The repairs were covered by insurance and have been completed.

It was noted that the Tipton Meadows Special Assessment District road improvements that the Township paid in advance has now been completely reimbursed to the township.

NEW BUSINESS

1-Land Division Application: Ceres Farms, 12857 Carson Hwy, Clinton (FR0-101-1100-00) requested to split one parcel of 1.59 acres from the parent parcel. The Land Division Committee did not recommend approval of the request. Kelley moved to deny the application as presented due to the unknown location of the septic system. The Board requested the applicant contact the Lenawee County Health Dept. to locate the septic system and have it inspected. If an application is resubmitted a property description is also required. Whitehead seconded and motion carried.

Board reviewed a METRO Act Right-of-Way Telecommunications permit renewal request from Frontier. The request was for a term of five (5) years. Whitehead moved to approve the permit renewal request. Moore supported and motion carried.

Kelley moved to approve the purchase of the 2012 Building Code and Michigan Rehab Code Books for \$203.84 for the Building Dept. Whitehead supported and motion carried.

Planning Commission Secretary VanValkenburg informed the Board that the Planning Commission will now meet the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. The Commission is in the process of updating the sign ordinance for the township.

Whitehead moved to approve a quote received from Columbia Interiors, Inc. of \$644.66 for three screen blinds which include installation for the file room and

the Assessor & Building Department Office. Van Valkenburg supported and motion carried 5-0. This will be paid out of the Community Donation fund.

Co. Commissioner Chris Wittenbach was present and informed those present that the Commission has interviewed candidates for the late Commissioner Jack Branch's seat and spoke about other business at the county level.

Pawson Road resident Howard Kapp voiced concerns regarding the County Road Commission's lack of timing for snow plowing, and felt that the roads could be in better shape on the hills especially on Pawson Road. Kapp also stated that the light was out at the corner of Evans Trail and U. S. 12. Supervisor Platt will contact Consumers Energy.

Announcements were made and the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Sue Whitehead
Franklin Township Clerk