

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP**  
**May 10, 2016**

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 presented. The Treasurer reported income of \$5,083.87 and expenses of \$97,476.56. Additional bills submitted for approval: Jacqueline Benedict-\$75 (May-Hall Cleaning) Medical Mutual-\$144.33 (3<sup>rd</sup> Qt. Board Life Ins.). VanValkenburg moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and all bills submitted for payment. Kelley supported and motion carried 5-0.

Gary Holmes of Blissfield who is a member of the Sons of Union War requested to celebrate the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Civil War Monument in Franklin Cemetery. The Board approved the celebration for July 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. The Michigan 4<sup>th</sup> Infantry will honor the oldest civil war monument in the state. Historical information will also be on display at the Franklin Township Hall.

Republican candidate Bronna Kahle who is running for State Representative for the 57<sup>th</sup> District introduced herself to those present, gave some background information, and outlined what her top priorities would be as State Representative.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Platt updated the Board that the reserve mower is back in use.

Whitehead informed the Board that the new cemetery software has been installed and the Clerk will begin inputting cemetery records as time allows.

Resident Rick Zimmerman requested an estimate from the Lenawee Co. Road Commission for paving a ½ mile of Tripp Road. Platt will contact the Road Commission.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1-Land Division Application: Donal & Eva Daniels Trust, with property located at 6681 W. Monroe Road, Tipton (FR0-119-1705-00) requesting to split 10.0 acres from the parent parcel. The Land Division Committee recommended approval of the application contingent upon a completed survey and property description of same being provided. Kelley moved to approve the land split contingent upon the completed survey being provided. Moore supported and motion carried. Approval of the land division does not mean zoning compliance.

The Board received a bid from Hampshire Farm Landscaping to install a paver walkway to the flag pole and install existing paver bricks around the flag pole at the Township Hall for \$3,182.63. A drawing was also presented from A & H Lawn Service for a flag pole design. The Board agreed to revisit the project when more information was available.

The following cement bids were received for the hall entryway:

1. Frank's American Concrete \$1,248
2. Schug (Rock Hard) Concrete \$1,400
3. Tripp's Precision Concrete \$2,200

Kelley moved to accept the bid received from Frank's American Concrete for \$1,248. Whitehead supported and motion carried 5-0. The concrete is scheduled to be replaced the following week from the sidewalk to the building.

VanValkenburg moved to proceed to make the necessary corrections and clerical errors needed to the Township zoning map. Whitehead supported and motion carried. Bldg. Official Bruce Nickel will contact Region II for Planning Commission representatives to meet and make the corrections to the zoning map.

Nickel is working with the County to draft the preliminary flood plain map.

Moore moved to approve an increase to the Administrative Fee for new permits from \$20 to \$30 effective June 1<sup>st</sup>. VanValkenburg supported and motion carried 5-0.

Whitehead moved to approve adding groundskeepers/cemetery workers to liability insurance and approve the purchase of Microsoft office for the Bldg. Inspector's computer. Moore supported and motion carried 5-0.

Having no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Sue Whitehead  
Franklin Township Clerk