

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP**  
**February 14, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board was called to order at 7:30 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 regular minutes and special minutes from 1/13/17 were approved as presented. The Board reviewed a budget comparison report. Whitehead moved to amend the budget and transfer \$30,000 from the contingency fund to the Hwy/Sts/Bridges fund. VanValkenburg supported and motion carried 5-0. The Treasurer reported income of \$91,750.16 and expenses of \$94,298.46. Additional bills submitted for approval: Lucas Law-\$667.50 (10/9/16-1/17/17 Legal Fees), Apex Software-\$595 (Assessor) sketch program, license & 1 yr. maint. fees. Kelley moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and all bills submitted for payment. VanValkenburg supported and motion carried 5-0.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Supervisor Platt presented an updated map from the Lenawee Co. Road Commission showing the truck route that will be used for material for the Rover pipeline installation and the pipeline route in the Township. Rover could begin construction in the Township at any time.

The above map also showed limestone applications on gravel roads color coded by the year the limestone was applied dating back to 2011. The Board discussed possible road projects for 2017 that could receive limestone applications such as W. Feller Road, Nortley Hwy and S. Wisner Hwy. The Board will make a decision at a later date. Franklin is #4 on the salt brine application list for this summer.

Planning Commission Secretary VanValkenburg stated the Commission is presently discussing RV's parked in front yards, GAAMPs and signs.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Kelley moved to approve the purchase of new code books for the Township in the amount of \$361 + shipping. VanValkenburg seconded and motion carried 5-0. Code books purchased are the 2015 Rehab., MI Bldg., MI Mechanical, and MI Plumbing.

Whitehead moved to adopt Resolution #17-1R which allows resident property owners to file letter appeals to the Board of Review. Moore supported and motion carried 5-0.

Kelley moved to approve the purchase of 4 red oak frames at the cost of \$200 each from Thomas Woodworking for framing and displaying various Township maps at the hall. Moore supported and motion carried 5-0.

After some discussion Moore moved to approve the allowance of property owners who are 65 or older who pay their winter tax after the deadline would have between February 15-28 to pay them without being subject to the 3% penalty fee effective immediately. Whitehead seconded and motion carried 5-0. The Township receives any penalty fees through February 28.

There was no public comment and no further business so the meeting was declared adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Sue Whitehead  
Franklin Township Clerk