

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

June 13, 2017

The regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board was called to order at 7:32 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 Van Valkenburg. Absent: none. The minutes were approved as presented. The Treasurer reported income of \$58,218.43 and expenses of \$31,156.94. Additional bills submitted for approval: Tecumseh Herald-\$143.13 (printing), Selective Data Systems-\$135 (computer repair), Jacqueline Benedict-\$75 (clean hall/June), A-1 Clean Sweep-\$279 (clean carpets/hall), All Weather Trees-\$4,870 (6 tree's removed at both cemeteries), Safety Systems-\$90, Consumer Life Ins.-\$300 (AD&D), Lenawee Co. Purchasing-\$14.10, L2LD LLC-\$760 (Burials). Van Valkenburg moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and all bills presented for payment. Kelley supported and motion carried 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Planning Commission Secretary Van Valkenburg said the Commission will hold a hearing June 20th to consider an amendment to the Franklin Twp. Zoning Ordinance (Sec. 4.15) Animals. The proposed amendment would clarify that a commercial animal operation, located within an agricultural district, is required to comply with the Michigan Right to Farm Act. Other animal uses are covered within the current Ordinance.

A resident from Deer Run Court located behind what was "Bears Lair" (Funland) on U.S. 12 had complaints regarding the safety of the property and trespassers on the property. Zoning Administrator Bruce Nickel stated the Township is in the process of pursuing a Dangerous Building Ordinance for the property.

NEW BUSINESS

Whitehead moved to approve a fireworks permit other than consumer or low impact to Kirk Silveira for Evans Lake on July 3rd. Moore supported and motion carried 5-0.

Kelley moved to approve road bid #3476 for \$4,000 (Twp. cost) to asphalt Teachout Rd. (from Pentecost to East of Intersection). Whitehead supported and motion carried 5-0. Adrian Township will also pay \$4,000.

The Township Board was in agreement to table a proposed zoning amendment concerning Recreational Vehicles (Sec. 4.16) until after Township

Attorney Lucas reviews the proposal due to the wording was not the same as presented.

Whitehead moved to approve the purchase of a Pool Code book and the 2015 Non-Residential Energy Code book. Moore supported and motion carried 5-0.

County Commissioner Chris Wittenbach was present and reported at the County level to those present.

It was noted that there is a lack of dust control on the designated truck routes that are being used for the Rover pipeline project.

Under public comment resident Denise Silveira stated the West side of Evans Trail could use some road improvement.

Having no further business the Supervisor declared the meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Sue Whitehead
Franklin Township Clerk