

March 9, 2009

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: Platt, Whitehead, Wibbeler and VanValkenburg. Absent: Sherman. The minutes were approved as read. The Treasurer reported income of \$545.50 (Int.) and Expenses of \$6,891.45. Additional bills submitted for approval: State of MI-\$25 (MTT Sprint Spectrum), Dick Curtis-\$328 (8 Insp. x \$41) and expenses of \$245.52. VanValkenburg moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and all bills submitted for payment. Whitehead seconded and motion carried. After a discussion the board decided not to pay the River Raisin Watershed Council Dues this year.

OLD BUSINESS

The Board was updated regarding the proposed Special Assessment District requested by the Sand Lake Property Owners concerning Invasive Aquatic Species Control. At this time not enough petition signatures have been submitted. Whitehead will contact the President of the Property Owners Assoc.

Wibbeler moved to rescind the prior approval of a land division application from Alfred Brown with property at 1349 W. Taylor Road (FRO-113-2500-00). Land Split approval would be contingent upon a non-sufficient funds check clearing. VanValkenburg seconded and motion carried. At this time the Twp. Assessor has not filed the paperwork with the county.

VanValkenburg stated the Planning Commission is still discussing regulations regarding outdoor woodburners.

NEW BUSINESS

1-Land Division Application: Bill O'Hara with property at 1070 W. US 12 (FRO-101-2400-00) requested to split one parcel of 3.10 acres from the parent parcel. Motion by VanValkenburg, supported by Wibbeler, to approve the land split. Motion carried. Approval of the land division does not mean zoning compliance.

Board considered a resolution request to transfer ownership of a 2008 Class C Licensed Business with Dance-Entertainment Permit located at 6400 US 12, Tipton, from David Bopp and JoAnne Bopp aka Micha Cho to Cruise Inn, Inc. Motion by Wibbeler, supported by Whitehead, to recommend the request. Roll Call Vote: VanValkenburg-yes, Wibbeler-yes, Whitehead-yes, Platt-yes. Absent: Sherman. Motion passed 4-0.

A budget meeting was set for March 24, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at the Franklin Township Hall.

Motion by Wibbeler, supported by Whitehead, for approval of up to two planning commission members to attend the Wind Energy Siting & Policy Seminar on March 31st. Motion carried.

VanValkenburg moved for approval of any board member to attend the Annual Planning Conference. Wibbeler seconded and motion carried.

Sand Lake Fire Chief Mark Wilson updated the board regarding Consumers Energy litigation concerning departmental billings.

Bruce Nickel (Bldg. Official/Zoning Officer) gave a zoning report to the board.

Public comment was heard and the meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Sue Whitehead
Franklin Township Clerk