

June 14, 2011

The regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board was called to order by Clerk Whitehead who then led the flag pledge. Present: Whitehead, Wibbeler, VanValkenburg and Sherman. Absent: Platt. Whitehead then appointed VanValkenburg to act as chairman for the meeting in Supervisor Platt's absence. The minutes were approved as read. The Treasurer reported income of \$131,053.93 and expenses of \$11,159.72. Sherman moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and all bills submitted for payment. Whitehead seconded and motion carried. Sherman moved to approve payments to Brady Sand & Gravel for \$620 to install drain tile from the south section of the cemetery and \$930 to connect to the existing drain tile at the township hall. Wibbeler seconded and motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Wibbeler moved to approve a road bid from the Lenawee Co. Road Commission for \$15,590.36 that will be split with Adrian Twp. to apply 2" of limestone on Teachout Road (between Elton Hwy and Pentecost Hwy). Sherman seconded and motion carried.

The board set a date for an open house for the new township hall for August 21st from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

VanValkenburg read a thank you letter from the board to John Krueger for the donation of 12 trees for the township hall grounds.

The board discussed the Michigan State Police using the old township hall to operate out of.

NEW BUSINESS

Sherman moved to renew Sand Lake Goose Resolution #11-2R which allows a Canadian goose round-up that will be in effect for five years. Whitehead seconded. Roll call vote: Sherman-yes, Wibbeler-yes, Whitehead-yes, VanValkenburg-yes. Absent: Platt. The resolution was unanimously approved 4-0.

The board discussed Cohen Park's irrigation and well that is in need of repair. Wibbeler moved to approve adding mulch around the park trees and new trees at the hall and to not use the irrigation system at this time. Whitehead supported and motion carried.

Sherman will look into repairing the cemetery handle at Mills Cemetery.

Whitehead read some highlights received from Co. Commissioner Chris Wittenbach which included the up-coming county-wide election on November 8th concerning the Lenawee Economic Development Corp.'s special millage request.

VanValkenburg informed those present that the twp. planning commission voted 5-3 in favor of not going along with the state medical marijuana laws.

Bldg. Official/Zoning Officer Bruce Nickel stated that the planning commission is looking at a possible dangerous and unsafe building ordinance that would be more cost effective than a court procedure.

Public comment was heard and the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Sue Whitehead
Franklin Township Clerk