

# **FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP**

## **October 11, 2016**

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 VanValkenburg. Absent: none. The minutes were approved as presented. The Board reviewed a budget comparison through September 30th. The Treasurer reported income of \$46,745.72 and expenses of \$17,395.35. One additional bill was submitted for payment: Co. Printing & Purchasing-\$39.17 (Hall Copy Paper). VanValkenburg moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and all bills submitted for payment. Kelley supported and motion carried 5-0.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

The Board reviewed an updated license application from Lorenzo Lizarralde/Chateau Aeronautique Winery LLC for the following: a new small wine maker license, new winery tasting room license, new dance-entertainment, new outdoor service area and a banquet facility permit. Kelley moved to recommend the application be considered for approval by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission. Whitehead seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: VanValkenburg-yes, Kelley-yes, Moore-yes, Whitehead-yes, Platt-yes. Motion passed unanimously 5-0. This application supersedes the application that was presented at the September 13th Board meeting.

A new fee schedule was presented as follows: Variance-\$400, Conditional Use-\$150, Rezoning-\$250, Construction Board of Appeals-\$300. All other fees not listed will remain the same at this time. Whitehead moved to adopt the new fee schedule as presented effective November 1st. VanValkenburg seconded and motion carried 5-0.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

The Fire Protection Agreement between the Township and the Sand Lake Fire Department automatically renewed 10/11/16 for successive two (2) year term without written notice from either party. The initial agreement was signed five (5) years ago on 10/11/2011.

Whitehead moved to appoint Jim Wiech to the position of Mechanical Inspector and Tom Trudeau to the position of Plumbing Inspector. Kelley supported and motion carried 5-0. Both inspectors will be paid \$50/inspection.

The November Township Board meeting will be changed to Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> due to the General Election.

County Commissioner Chris Wittenbach was present and updated those in attendance that the Co. Health Department is offering lead testing, the jail numbers are down, and Lenawee County has a high suicide rate. County government is now accepting credit cards for payments.

There was no public comment and the meeting was adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

Sue Whitehead  
Franklin Township Clerk