

**Franklin Township**  
**January 8, 2013**

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: Bob Platt, Sue Whitehead, Terri Moore, Dan VanValkenburg and Mike Kelley. Absent: none.

The minutes from the previous meeting and special minutes (1/13/13) were approved as read. The Treasurer reported income of \$5,704.74 and expenses of \$19,555.87. Additional bills submitted for approval: USB/Payroll Tax \$239.55, VISA-\$280.56, Sommers Lawn & Snow-\$440 (Snow Removal Hall & Cem.), L2LD LLC-\$500 (1-Burial), Schaedler & Lacasse-\$33 (Dec. Legal Fees). VanValkenburg moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and all bills submitted for payment. Kelley seconded and motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

VanValkenburg gave an overview of the proposed Zoning Amendment text that would make a violation of Township ordinances a municipal infraction. VanValkenburg moved to approve Resolution #13-1 Civil Infraction Penalties for Violation of Franklin Township Zoning Ordinance. Whitehead seconded. Roll Call Vote: Kelley-yes, Moore-yes, Whitehead-yes, Platt-yes, VanValkenburg-yes. Motion carried 5-0 unanimously.

Zoning Officer Bruce Nickel was present and updated the board that the (Dangerous Building) dwelling on Pentecost Hwy near Pawson Road has been demolished. Nickel presented two potential dwellings to proceed with a Dangerous Building Hearing. One is located on W. Munger Road and the other is located on S. Pentecost Hwy. The Board reviewed current pictures of the dwellings and properties and were in agreement for Nickel to initiate the hearing process for the 6754 W. Munger Road property at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS**

VanValkenburg moved to adopt Resolution #13-01R To Establish Township Supervisor's Salary at \$16,500. Whitehead seconded. Roll Call Vote: Kelley-yes, Moore-yes, Whitehead-yes, Platt-yes, VanValkenburg-yes. Motion carried 5-0 unanimously. Moore moved to adopt Resolution #13-02R To Establish Township Clerk's Salary at \$20,000. VanValkenburg seconded. Roll Call Vote: Moore-yes, Whitehead-yes, Platt-yes, VanValkenburg-yes, Kelley-yes. Motion carried 5-0 unanimously. Kelley moved to adopt Resolution #13-03R To Establish Township Treasurer's Salary at \$20,000. Whitehead seconded. Roll Call Vote: Kelley-yes, Moore-yes, Whitehead-yes, Platt-yes, VanValkenburg-yes. Motion carried 5-0 unanimously. Whitehead moved to adopt Resolution #13-04R To Establish Township Trustees Salary at \$2,500. Moore seconded. Roll Call Vote: Whitehead-yes, Platt-yes, VanValkenburg-yes, Kelley-yes, Moore-yes. Motion carried 5-0 unanimously. The Treasurer's salary includes \$2,000 for summer tax collection. The last salary increases were in 2007. The pay increases are effective April 1, 2013.

Whitehead moved to approve payment of the 2013 membership dues of \$317 to The River Raisin Watershed. VanValkenburg supported and motion carried. It was noted that the Watershed Council has reorganized, has new goals and lower membership dues.

Public comment was heard, announcements made, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Sue Whitehead  
Franklin Township Clerk