

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP
July 10, 2012

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, VanValkenburg and Sherman. Absent: none. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved as read. The Treasurer reported income of \$98,382.76 and expenses of \$11,348.37. Additional bills submitted for approval: Exxon Mobil-\$80 (Fuel-Cemetery), Dan VanValkenburg-\$1,000 (Custom Rotary Cutting-Hall Property). Sherman moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and all bills submitted for payment. Whitehead seconded and motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

VanValkenburg moved to adopt the proposed Municipal Civil Infractions Procedures Ordinance #12-2. Wibbeler supported. Roll call vote: Sherman-yes, VanValkenburg-yes, Wibbeler-yes, Whitehead-yes, Platt-yes. Motion carried unanimously 5-0. The ordinance establishes procedures relating to issuing civil infraction tickets and appearance tickets, which establishes penalties for municipal civil infractions for certain township ordinances.

A-1 Fence at this time has not started the fence project between Cohen Park and the basketball court that was awarded to them on May 8th. Trustee VanValkenburg will notify them of a deadline of 2 weeks to complete the job, after that the second bid holder (Adrian-Tecumseh Fence) will be contacted.

Wibbeler moved to proceed with the Dangerous Building Ordinance for the green house near the intersection of Pawson Road and Pentecost Hwy that has been abandoned for some time. Sherman seconded and motion carried. The status of the burned house on N. Pentecost Hwy was also discussed.

Bldg. Official Bruce Nickel updated those present regarding a FEMA meeting that Nickel recently attended.

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Platt presented a bid estimate from the Lenawee Co. Road Commission for shoulder work covering 3 miles on N. Wisner Hwy to Service Road for 4" gravel and shoulder removal to be hauled away for an estimate of \$77,368.61. The board tabled the estimate for further review. The board requested feedback from the audience regarding the limestone on Teachout Road between Elton Hwy and Pentecost Hwy. The Board heard mostly positive comments. The Board discussed possibly trying limestone instead of gravel for a future project.

However, it would be more costly. The Board will meet for a special meeting Wednesday, July 18th at 6 p.m. to tour the township's gravel roads to see which roads need the most improvements.

Nickel stated that AT&T and Sprint are upgrading the surrounding cell towers in the township to 4G.

Public comment was heard and the meeting was adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

Sue Whitehead
Franklin Township Clerk