

THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD  
Held February 19, 2015

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Erskine, Clerk Blackburn, Treasurer Scherrer, Trustee Haley and Trustee Ecklin.

VISITOR'S PRESENT: Don David, Tom Kryzmecki, John Haley, Ken VanRiper, Mark J., Ruey Wood, Sandy Bristol, Nicole Blackburn, Arthur W., Sgt. Miller and partner, JC, Guy Patton and Robert Larson.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: at 6:30 pm. A Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was said by all.

CLERK'S MINUTES: Minutes looked over. Ecklin made motion to accept with Haley to second. Motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT: General fund balance of \$192,933.21. Rubbish at \$19,737.00 in excess. Road Fund \$427,177.78 with interest posted. Taxes going about as is previous years. Ed stated county wanted to know if any road work needed to be done. Discussed Rodgers, Meredith Grade, Long Lake, Bailey Lake, Forrest and Athey down by old town hall. Will finish discussion in mid March for budget. Ecklin made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and supported by Haley. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Don David spoke about letter from state regarding mineral rights. If you get a letter chances are you do not own rights. State getting ready to auction. Old health department has about 4K in damages they need to repair. Court house has some 250K into heat and electrical. New LED bulbs save \$ and new boilers have saved 20K. Ed asked about recycle. Mark J. has spoken with Waste Management. Management change at Waste, county has contract with landfill, they are violating contract and Don D. will check and see what is going on. Sandy Bristol asked about Joel Johnson and speaking with him about penal fines. 5 townships have not turned them over to the library. Working on bill to let townships use \$ for things like broadband, etc. Sandy B. says you would have to change the constitution. Heavy trucks like gravel trains will have double registration fees. That will all go to penal fines. Mark J. says Rulin is cleaning up a little but cold weather and family issues have delayed him. Ben Casper would like to keep camper on M18 and will submit letter to board. Mark needs new tax record with updated addresses, Sandy will get it to him. Brownshaven property bought by T-balts. They are cleaning it up. Discussion on streetlights, why won't county pay for them? Ruey will check and find out. Looking at combining the associations and Elbow Lk. street lights and splitting it with association or township can take over Elbow Lk. streetlight and association can still pay their own. Tabled until March. Sgt. Miller from the Sheriffs Dept. brought stats for the month. Discussion on Website. Board adopted a motion for the Federal Poverty Guidelines for poverty level. Limit to 10 acres or less, 15K in total assets, if they have more they cannot claim poverty. Haley made a motion to accept with Scherrer to second. Motion passed. JC mentioned that Elbow Lk. Bar will be having an auction the second Saturday in April.

BILLS AS FOLLOWS:

CK# 5865 AT&T Town hall phone-----	\$56.94
CK# 5866 Dreyer and Hovey UR bill-----	\$250.12
CK# 5867 DTE Energy Town hall gas-----	\$72.03
CK# 5868 Sage Telecom Treasurer phone-----	\$68.83
CK# 5869 Consumers Energy Town hall electric, streetlight, broadband-----	\$179.67
CK# 5870 DTE Energy Town hall gas-----	\$79.05
CK# 5871 for Staples in Jan.....	
CK# 5872 Northwoods Lk and Pond Mgmt. DNR permit for Elbow Lk-----	\$400.00
CK# 5873 Sage Telecom Treasurer phone-----	\$69.71
CK# 5874 Diane Blackburn Clerk wage, phone reimbursement-----	\$1070.31
CK# 5875 Jackie Ecklin Trustee wage-----	\$116.99
CK# 5876 Ed Erskine Sup.wage, mileage, BOR train and snowplow-----	\$1249.35
CK# 5877 John Haley BOR training-----	\$64.64
CK# 5878 Therese Haley Trustee wage-----	\$111.61
CK# 5879 Mark Janeczko Blight officer wage-----	\$40.24
CK# 5880 Tom Krzemecki BOR training-----	\$64.64
CK# 5881 Sandy Scherrer Treasurer wage and mileage-----	\$1049.62
CK# 5882 John Tagliamonte BOR training-----	\$61.66
CK# 5883 Ken VanRiper BOR training-----	\$64.64
CK# 5884 Therese Haley MTA meeting-----	\$52.86
CK# 5885 MVW and Associates Assessing wage-----	\$1000.00
CK# 5886 Norman Duncan Recycle attendant-----	\$20.00
CK# 5887 Sandy Bristol Library card reimbursement-----	\$80.00
CK# 5888 Therese Haley Election inspector wage to replace ch#5754-----	\$150.00
Paper statement fee for Treasurer-----	\$3.00
	Total Bills: \$6375.91

As there was no other business, a motion to adjourn by Ecklin was supported by Haley. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

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Clerk

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Supervisor