# THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD Held December 17, 2015 

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

VISITOR’S PRESENT: Don David, Cathy Gilliam, Tom K., Mark J., Ken and Pat VanRiper, 2 Clare County police officers and Mr. and Mrs. William Newman.

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: Clerk read report as Treasurer was absent. General fund balance of $\$ 252,737.32$. Rubbish $\$ 49,741.10$ and Road Fund $\$ 474,790.18$. Question on EJ investments, \$principal matured, not sure?? Ecklin made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report and supported by Haley. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Supervisor spoke with Road Commission and they will draw up some projects for us. Discussion on Meredith Grade, Long Lake Road and Bailey Lake Road. Talked about old town hall. Don David spoke about computer people at county giving presentation, most computer work is done remotely, will still need an IT person on site. Wal-Mart in Clare to open by next December. Oil well went down 10K feet. Fracking to the north and watch for Amish. Mark J. spoke about property at Toohy Trail and Meredith Grade. Has trailer full of metal but not too bad, trash in tire bin, black trailer on Claroskee is gone, Joe Lambert building next door is slowly getting cleaned up by the owner but the building should be taken down. Mark can get a dumpster for blighted buildings, property on White Birch is cleaned up and quiet. Discussion on March 8 election, BOR and election inspector training. Quilt block is done and Therese wrote up paragraph for it. Hoggers will hand tomorrow. New sign for out front will cost about $\$ 1580$. It will be similar to the Hamilton Twp. sign. Separate small signs to hang along the bottom with specific messages are $\$ 150$ a piece. Will discuss more in Jan. Discussion on N. Athey sign. What is the procedure to get it changed to North Athey? 3 signs, end of Dale, end of Toohy and at Athey and Clareoskee. Sheriff department reported on incidents in township. Can download the app for reports on certain incidents. Jackie asked if county has drones? There are certain restrictions to them. Mark asked if we turn in address on illegal dumping can they issue tickets, yes. Discussion on propane prices.

## BILLS AS FOLLOWS:



Total Bills: $\$ 13146.13$
As there was no other business, a motion to adjourn by Ecklin was supported by Haley.
Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.
Respectfully submitted:

