

## **Frankenlust Township Board Meeting**

**June 10, 2025, 4:00 PM**

The regular meeting of the Frankenlust Township Board was held. It was called to order by Supervisor Ron Campbell. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

**Present:** Campbell, Begick (late), Stothard, Britton, LaPan

**Consent Agenda Items:** Motion by Britton/Stothard to approve the regular Board meeting and its corrections from May 13, 2025, Special Meeting Election Commission May 13 3:45 P.M., Special & Preliminary Budget Meeting May 22, 2025 and June 6, 2024, Preliminary Budget minutes. Motion by Britton/Stothard to accept the Treasurer's reports and authorize payment of bills in the amount of \$349,875.92 from the General and Misc. Funds as needed. Discussion.

Roll call vote:

Campbell      Yes

LaPan          Yes

Stothard       Yes

Begick          Late

Britton         Yes

***4 aye, 0 nay. Motion Carried***

**Public Input:** None

**Fire Department.** There were 50 calls in May, 229 calls this year through May. Water Grant from Anheuser- Bush was submitted and subsequently denied. The explorer program does not have any explorers at this time. The explorer committee will meet in the future for the explorers' program. The Fire Dept has put some of their members through the ice and rescue program, their plan is to eventually purchase an ice rescue trailer to be able to respond to rescue calls on the water. A discussion concerning the Fire Department offering their services to cut and remove fallen trees for the car show and if there are any legalities or liabilities concerning this request. Trustee Britton will look into it further to see if the Fire. Department Association can do the work. The Fire Department Report is on file for the month of May.

**Fire Department Budget:** The 2025/2026 budget for the fire department was discussed. The Fire Chief will be going back to 2-3 days per week for an average of 6 months at 2 days and 3 days for 6 months. His adjustments are as follows.

Chief's Salary              \$34,000.00

Firefighters' Wages:      \$105,000.00

Fuel                          \$4,000.00

Miscellaneous              \$2,000.00

Supplies	\$1,500.00
Maintenance	\$30,000.00
Emergency Repairs	\$25,000.00
Training	\$15,000.00
Dues	\$1,500.00
Fees	\$3,000.00
Equipment	\$30,000.00
Grant Matching funds	\$5,000.00
Capital Equipment	\$10,000.00

Motion by Britton/Begick to approve the Frankenlust Township Fire Department 2025/2026 Budget as presented on May 30, 2025, document by Chief Bryan Kukla in the amount of \$305,000.00

Roll call vote:

LaPan	Yes
Stothard	Yes
Begick	Yes
Britton	Yes
Campbell	Yes

**5 ayes 0 nay, Motion Carried.**

**Sheriff Report:** is on file for May.

**Planning Commission:** Report is on file.

**Zoning Administrator:** Report is on file.

**Building Inspector** – Currently receives 55% of the permit fee and the Township receives 45% of the permit fee. Discussion on changing the percentage we give the Building Official to 60% and the Township receives 40%. The Township will be making a Building Fund strictly for money that the Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical, and Building permits bring in. Les Luptowski will be researching what permit fees currently are in other Townships. Motion by Campbell/LaPan to increase from 55% to 60% starting July 1, 2025. Discussion. Roll call vote.

Stothard	Yes
Begick	Yes
Britton	Yes
Campbell	Yes

LaPan                Yes

**5 ayes, 0 nay. Motion Carried.**

**Road Commission Agreement:**

The new contract submitted by Bay County Road Commission will perform Rubber Chip Seal and Fog Seal for the roads listed below.

1. Ziegler Rd - M-84 to Stone Island (0.8 miles),
2. Amelith Road - Fraser to Mackinaw (1.0 mile)

A total of 1.8 Miles at a cost of \$93,228.00. Motion by Begick/LaPan to approve the roads discussed for rubber chip and seal and then fog seal. Discussion. Roll Call Vote.

Begick                Yes

Britton                Yes

Campbell            Yes

LaPan                Yes

Stothard             Yes

**5 aye 0 nay, Motion Carried.**

**Fire Department Liaison:** A letter of increase for the Fire Department Liaison, Samuel Britton, from \$50.00 to \$75.00 was submitted. The position has never had an increase, discussion held on duties of this position. He will be attending monthly meetings and is available for consultations when required. Motion by Lapan/ Begick to increase the Fire Department Liaison stipend starting on July 1, 2025. Discussion. Roll call vote.

Britton                Yes

Campbell            Yes

LaPan                Yes

Stothard             Yes

Begick                Yes

**5 ayes, 0 nay. Motion Carried.**

**Deputies Salary:** The Treasurer and Clerk submitted a proposal for their deputies from a salary to an hourly rate at \$25.00 hour. Concerning some of the members, this was a substantial increase in pay. Conversation on the expectation of standards, duties, days, and hours needed to do the job with a decision to add a cap in pay for the year in the amount of \$7,150.00. Motion by Lapan/ Stothard to increase the pay for deputies to amount of \$25.00/hour, with a cap of \$7,150.00 for the year starting July 1, 2025, with an expectation that the deputies would be held accountable to MTA standards. Notation on the topic is that we research any legal implications that capping an hourly salary could hold. Discussion.

Roll call vote.

Campbell Yes

Lapan Yes

Stothard Yes

Begick Yes

Britton Yes

5 aye, 0 nay. Motion Carried.

**Direct Deposit:** Due to ongoing security risks. The Treasurer is asking the board to do all pay checks in direct deposit. The board recognizes the need to go to direct deposit to keep security of the Township safe.

**Willys Contracting:** An invoice was presented before the board in the amount of \$ 1,520.00 to pay the bill and be put future expenses to the Old Hickory special assessment taxes. Motion by Britton/Begick to approve paying of the invoice and adding all future expenses to the special assessment on the residents of Old Hickorys taxes. Discussion. Roll call vote.

LaPan Yes

Stothard Yes

Begick Yes

Britton Yes

Campbell Yes

5 ayes, 0 nay, Motion Carried.

**ZA Approval & Ordinances** A packet was presented concerning proposed changes to the response time and responsibilities of the Zoning Administrator. The Planning Commission will look at this during their June 18, 2025, meeting. The board will table this conversation for the next meeting on July 8, 2025.

**Treasurer:** Duplicate checks were found for the Tax Account and checks 2738-2754 were destroyed.

**Budget Adjustments:** The following budget adjustments are recommended.

101-101-702.009	Administrative Wages	+\$2042.25
101-101-702.010	Secretary	-\$2042.25
101-101-742.001	Twp Hall Energy	-\$70.15
101-253-716.000	D. Treasurer Medicare Exp.	+\$70.15
101-101-746.000	Twp Bldg. Maintenance	+\$756.90

101-101-977.002	Twp Prop. Improvements	-\$756.90
101-101-801.003	Twp Grounds Mow/Plow	-\$1551.48
101-253-801.000	Tax Bills	+\$1551.48
101-101-801.011	Attorney/Professional	+\$2672.56
101-101-900.002	Uncategorized Exp.	-\$2672.56
101-101-920.003	Electricity	-\$393.29
101-101-929.000	Charter Com/Telephone	+\$393.29
101-101-926.000	Bulk Water	+\$1721.85
101-101-977.001	New Equip-Computers	-\$1721.85
101-265-801.000	Bldg. Plan Review	+\$5706.52
101-101-702.010	Secretary	-\$5706.52
101-265-801.006	Elec Insp. Wages	-\$675.20
101-265-801.007	Mech Insp. Wages	+\$675.20

Motion by Campbell/Stothard to accept the budget adjustments as recommended by the Clerk.  
Discussion.

**5 ayes 0 nay. Motion Carried**

Motion by Begick/LaPan to adjourn **5 aye 0 nay Carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 P.M.

Next Regular Meeting is July 8, 2025, at 4:00 P.M.

**Dee Ann LaPan, Township Clerk**

**Ronald Campbell, Supervisor**

*Dee Ann LaPan*  
7/8/25  
**APPROVED**