

TOWN OF FRANKLIN: Town Board Minutes

Date: August 21th, 2023 Call To Order at: 7:00pm by Town Chair

Present: Berent Froiland x Kurt Lucey x Matt Connelly x Hannah Aspenson x Tracy Thelen x

Observers: Brody Rudrud, Ed Fanta, Shanon Clark

Minutes:

July 2023 minutes were read by Clerk

Motion to accept Meeting Minutes: Matt 2nd to the motion: Kurt Motion carried: x

Treasurer's Report:

July 31, 2023 Book Balance = \$120,211.70

Outstanding Checks = \$ 8377.53

Bank Balance = \$128,589.23

Clerk hasn't balance book yet for August so going with Treasurers number. If something change, Clerk will let the board know.

Line of credit balance \$0, Money Market Balance: \$1006.84.

Aug Settlement coming - \$94,403.57. Postponed property tax payment received from David Congden.

Motion to accept Treasurers report: Matt 2nd to the motion: Kurt Motion carried: x

Public Questions & Concerns:

Shannon Clark attended the meeting to make the Board aware of the company in the area approaching residents about installing wind turbines on property. (Horstead Winds?) Shannon strongly encourages the board to adopt a wind cycles ordinance. To help protect the township and resident where then can. We can't stop them from coming and building, but we can put limits on what they can and can't do etc. Item's mentioned were decommissioning cost, require setbacks (currently 1250 from a residence), require planning, land owner fees. If we can get something place now, ahead of the game, helps with developers they will know we have concerns and they will know what we want to see, helps the residence letting them know we are aware and trying to help where we can. Some advice to landowners: do not sign anything until you have a lawyer look agreement over, first offer isn't always the best, check w/your bank is there a mortgage security on it etc.

The company has to submit an application. However the landowner has no responsibility to t the board know. Shannon offered to help the board with getting an ordinance together. He has a sample ordinance from other townships that he will send to Berent. The board agreed to look into this topic more.

Bills:

Bills are prepared by clerk & reviewed by the town board.

Motion to accept bills: Kurt 2nd to the motion: Matt Motion carried: x

Other:

~Sealcoating: all is done. Looks good. Brody said Black River got a little wider than the 24' in spots and he asked Fahrner to separate out Black River on billing so the Board can see what the extra is.

~Resident complaint – Belgium Ridge & Brookville are really washboarded, bad.

~Berent reached out to Town & County for detailed billing info, The clerk hant gotten back to him yet as of meeting night.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn meeting: Kurt, 2nd by: Matt Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned: 8:19pm