

Frankenlust Township Times

September 2011

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From The Township Supervisor ☐ Ronald Campbell

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As Fall draws near we are anticipating the opening of M-84. In its completion, you may have noticed that some of the ramps on M-84 are closed due to re-construction. I have been informed by the MDOT that the work is to be completed in 20 working days, sometime in mid October.



We have had some residents ask about becoming a Charter Township. The Township Board passed a resolution to not become a Charter Township at this time. The Township Board is looking at the pros and cons of doing so, but it was the consensus of the Township Board that a vote of the residents would take place before becoming a Charter Township.

We have been contacted by Waste Management regarding our contract with them. In our contract, it states that they are not required to pick up any trash that is not brought to the curb or end of driveway. We ask that you please take your trash to these locations.

WASTE MANAGEMENT Trash Collection is at CURB-side ONLY, NOT front door!

One of the big issues is the Bay City Water Treatment Plant. Talks are continuing with all of the Townships, Bay County Waste Water Treatment Plant, Bay County Road Commission, and Bay City as to refurbishing the old plant or to build a new micro-filtration plant and purchase raw water from Saginaw and Midland.

From The Township Treasurer ☐ Mary M. Revord

Office Hours: Tuesday & Friday 9am-4pm ☐ treasurer@frankenlust.com

Well, again it was a very busy week with the collection of summer taxes. Anyone who has taxes not paid beginning September 15th should include a 1% interest per month until the middle of February 2012.

I am sorry that Credit or Debit Cards **are not accepted** for payment.

Winter taxes will be mailed out beginning December 1st. Be sure to review your tax bill carefully for any corrections. If you have a correction, please contact me no later than December 15th.

I will again have dog/cat licenses available in December. 🐕🐈

You have a joyful and fun holiday season. Hopefully we will again have some beautiful lights and decorations that will be showing up in Frankenlust Township as the holiday comes.

Finally, the following is the 2010/2011 fiscal year report for all the funds I handle here at the Township.



	<u>Actual</u>	
	<u>End of Year</u>	
	<u>7/1/10 - 6/30/11</u>	
<u>GENERAL 101</u>		
Balance 7/1/10	\$ 451,752.26	
Receipts	\$ 482,305.13	
Disbursements	\$ 429,207.70	
Balance 6/30/11	\$ 504,849.69	

<u>EMERGENCY SERVICES 211</u>		
Balance 7/1/10	\$ 37,635.57	
Receipts	\$ 18,636.10	
Disbursements	\$ 24,531.37	
Balance 6/30/11	\$ 31,740.30	

<u>FIRE SAFETY 208</u>		
Balance 7/1/10	\$ 166,759.43	
Receipts	\$ 131,643.31	
Disbursements	\$ 31,767.02	
Balance 6/30/11	\$ 266,635.72	

<u>LIQUOR 212</u>		
Balance 7/1/10	\$ 870.85	
Receipts	\$ 4,210.25	
Disbursements	\$ 3,829.44	
Balance 6/30/11	\$ 1,251.66	

TRASH 246

Balance 7/1/10	\$	93,376.79
Receipts	\$	208,833.32
Disbursements	\$	202,610.52
Balance 6/30/11	\$	99,599.59

HISTORICAL 269

Balance 7/1/10	\$	7,773.71
Bank Interest - Wagner Estate	\$	9.26
Disbursements	\$	-
Balance 6/30/11	\$	7,782.97

NATURE PARK 275

Balance 7/1/10	\$	5,619.72
Revenue	\$	8,321.07
Revenue (Grant)	\$	4,300.00
Disbursements	\$	7,065.00
Balance 6/30/11	\$	11,175.79

1999 FORMER USDA BONDS #301

Balance 7/1/10	\$	38,853.41
Receipts	\$	63,521.35
Disbursements	\$	62,937.50
Balance 6/30/11	\$	39,437.26

SEWER BOND #305 (2005)

Balance 7/1/10	\$	288,121.88
Receipts	\$	83,339.27
Disbursements	\$	129,900.17
Balance 6/30/11	\$	241,560.98

WATER 591

Balance 7/1/10	\$	843,248.00
Receipts	\$	17,865.23
Disbursements	\$	22,719.06
Balance 6/30/11	\$	838,394.17

STONE ISLAND WATER 592

Balance 7/1/10	\$	91,800.46
Revenue	\$	4,723.07
Disbursements	\$	-
Balance 6/30/11	\$	96,523.53

SEWER 615 (NEW) Three Mile Rd.

Balance 7/1/10	\$	479,974.55
Receipts	\$	288,817.13
Disbursements	\$	455,337.00
Balance 6/30/11	\$	313,454.68

Any questions, contact me by phone (989-686-5300) or e-mail me at treasurer@frankenlust.com

From The Township Clerk ☐ Donna L. Reichard

Office Hours: Monday and Friday 9am-4pm ☐ dlr_clerk@frankenlust.com

Following are some things that have been voted on at the past months Board meetings: 1) The salaries for the next fiscal year for the Township Board will remain the same. 2) Arnold Assessing will be reappraising 20% of existing parcels per year for the next 3 years. 3) Contracts for Dell Bedford, Mechanical & Plumbing Inspector, and Frank Bryden, Electrical Inspector, were approved. 4) Contract for Andrew Janetzke, Zoning Administrator, and Richard Sabias, Building Inspector, were extended. 5) October 11th is the last day to register for the November 8th School Election. Absentee Voter ballots will be available September 24, 2011. There is legislation in the works for a February 28th primary. This should be finalized in October. 6) As of July 1st, mileage was changed to 55.5 cents per mile. These are a few of the happenings in the Township.

By the chilly evenings it feels like Fall is approaching. Enjoy the season.



From The Township Zoning Administrator ☐ Andrew Janetzki ☐ aj_zoning@frankenlust.com

Rental Issues: With a difficult real estate market and economy, there have been further complaints concerning persons renting out their dwelling to multiple students contrary to the article in Frankenlust's May Newsletter. Article 3.00 of the Zoning Ordinance clearly explains that in order to have multiple families living in a building, each family must have their own kitchen and bathrooms and each family must be living "independent of each other". A "family" is clearly defined as "a domestic family" or the "functional equivalent of the domestic family" with not more than one unrelated person residing with the family. Therefore, single family residences and duplex units can only contain one domestic family per residence/duplex unit. Should you be presently renting out your residence or duplex in violation of our ordinances, I would thank you for correcting the violation(s) without the need for Township involvement. Should we become aware of violations; the Township will proceed accordingly to enforce our ordinances. Furthermore, there are no exceptions that will be given to postpone compliance until the end of any college semester/term or the end of the school year.

Thank you for keeping our Township a beautiful and safe place to live.



Hope everyone had a great summer and is looking forward to the cooler temperatures! What a great time of year Fall is: football returns, the autumn colors, and, above all else, the kids are back in school!

Your new rescue vehicle is in and we are currently having the lights, striping and equipment put on the vehicle. This is replacing our current rescue vehicle that is over 20 years old. We have decided to go with a Ford 4-wheel drive Pickup so we can use the vehicle to assist on brush fires, some accidents due to traffic, and other calls that our current vehicle was not able to do.



We also have our two Firefighters, who were in the Academy in the last Newsletter, trained and officially able to do all the duties of a Firefighter! John Wieck (son of Lieutenant Dennis Wieck) and Gavin Tucker passed the practical and the written exam the beginning of summer. Please take the time to join us in congratulating John and Gavin on their accomplishment.

We'd like to welcome our newest member: Scott Becker. Scott recently moved into the Township and was on the fire department where he previously lived. He works as a Paramedic and has all his training for the fire service, so he is a great addition to our department. When you see Scott, please welcome him to the area and thank him for volunteering.

If anyone has children 14 years to 18 years of age who are interested in the fire service, they are welcome to join our Explorer group. We have the only Explorer group, to my knowledge, in the county that pertains to the Fire service. They will learn about the fire service and train with us. It is sponsored through the Boy Scouts and they are fully insured through them. If anyone is interested, please call the Township Hall and they will give you the information to get in contact with us.

Don't forget to mark down October 1st on your calendars! This is our Annual Open House from 11am-4pm, and we will have hot dogs, cotton candy, snow cones, and beverages for all. We will also have a lot of activities for the children. The police, ambulance, and hopefully helicopter will be for all to see. Please stop by and see the new truck and say Hi!



Well that is all for now. Please remember to call in for a Burning Permit when you are doing that Fall yard work! Remember that you can burn twigs and leaves, but no building materials or grass. Please be patient with us if you do call in for a permit and we still come out to your location. We only respond if someone calls in to 911 and we have to respond. We will stop, make sure you called in a permit, check to make sure all the requirements are met to burn (proper materials, water supply, properly manned), and then we will clear.

WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR NEW FIREFIGHTERS ~ PLEASE CALL 989-686-5300 OR 734-564-0283

From The Nature Park Committee

We hope everyone will get a chance to come to the Park (southeast corner of 3 Mile and Hotchkiss Roads) and take a walk around. A new walking path (wood chips) is done on top of the hill. This Fall we are having trees planted thru a grant from the Bay Area Community Foundation. If anyone would like to join us, or has some suggestions, our next meeting is Wednesday, October 12th, at 7pm, at the Township Hall.



The cold weather and winter will be here before we know it! The National Institute on Aging has information to help you prevent hypothermia. Here are a few tips:

- **Wear several layers of loose clothing when it is cold. The layers will trap warm air between them. Tight clothing can keep blood from flowing freely and lead to loss of body heat.**
- **Wear a hat, scarf, gloves or mittens, and warm clothes when you go outside in cold weather. A significant amount of your body heat can be lost through your head, and hands and feet are the first body parts to get cold.**
- **Make sure your home is warm enough. Set your thermostat to at least 68 to 70 degrees. Even mildly cool homes with temperatures from 60 to 65 degrees can trigger hypothermia, especially in older people. Use a blanket or afghan to keep legs and shoulders warmer.**



Happy Halloween



HAPPY NEW YEAR

Frankenlust Township Calendar
September 2011 ~ January 1012

October 1.....	Fire Department Open House 11am-4pm
October 11.....	Township Board Meeting – 7pm
October 12.....	Nature Park Committee Meeting – 7pm
October 19.....	Planning Commission Meeting – 7pm
November 9.....	Township Board Meeting – 7pm
November 11.....	CLOSED – Veterans’ Day
November 16.....	Planning Commission Meeting – 7pm
November 24-25	CLOSED – Thanksgiving
November 26.....	<i>Trash Pick Up (Delayed 1 Day)</i>
November 26.....	Last Day for YARD WASTE PICK UP
Dec 1	Winter Tax Bills Mailed
December 13.....	Township Board Meeting – 7pm
December 21.....	Planning Commission Meeting – 7pm
December 23 & 26	CLOSED – Christmas
January 2 & 3	CLOSED – New Years
January 10.....	Township Board Meeting – 7pm
January 18.....	Planning Commission Meeting – 7pm



Township Office Information

Office Hours: Monday..... 8:30am – 4:00pm
 Tuesday..... 8:30am – 4:00pm
 WednesdayCLOSED
 Thursday 8:30am – 4:00pm
 Friday 8:30am – 4:00pm

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