

# ew Frankenlust Township Times

May 2010

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## From The Supervisor \* Ronald Campbell

Office Hours: Tuesday 12-4pm & Thursday 8:30am-4pm  
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Well, as everyone can tell the M-84 & I-75 construction is in full swing. I would like to thank all of our residents for your patience as I have had very few complaints or concerns. It will be very nice when it is done. I would like to encourage everyone to support our local businesses. It may take you a little longer to get there, but I am sure they would appreciate your business.

The Township Board has been looking at the local roads to be worked on and after conferring with the Bay County Road Commission, the Board decided to defer some of the work until next year after construction is completed on M-84 .

As some of you may have heard on the news regarding turning some roads back to gravel, the Township Board is not turning any roads back to gravel and will do everything possible not to do so in the future,

As was discussed in previous newsletters, I.T.C., which owns the transmission towers and lines along Three Mile Road, will be replacing both towers and lines this summer. The towers will be a monopole and will be spaced further apart than the current towers, which means those that have a tower in front may not have one in the future, and those that don't have one currently may have one in the future. I.T.C will work with our residents as much as possible with placement of these towers.

I would like to thank Norb Begick for his many years of service to Frankenlust Township. Norb has been appointed Weed Commissioner for this year.

The Annual Meeting and Budget Hearing will be held on June 22, 2010, at 7:00pm.

I hope everyone has a great summer.

## From The Treasurer \* Mary M. Revord

Office Hours: Tuesday & Friday 8:30am-4pm  
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Will the weather ever warm up? Every one seems to be asking that question.

We have so many things going on in our Township right now. M-84 is being done and that has caused some traffic problems. ITC will be replacing the towers on Three Mile Road this year. We are waiting for our new fire truck, which should be here sometime in June. You should be able to see it when the Fire Department has their Open House in September.

As usual your **tax bills** should arrive again in early July. Remember to look it over right away and let me know if you think something needs to be changed. If you pay in cash, please be sure to have the exact change.

Letters and **deferments** will also go out around the middle of July for those who are eligible. Please return them by September 15<sup>th</sup>.

Remember that you can **pay your taxes** by

- (1) mail,
- (2) drop box - located outside office entrance,
- (3) in person.

If you pay by mail or drop box and would like a receipt, you must enclose a **stamped, self-addressed envelope**.

As of June 30, 2010, we will come to an end of another fiscal year. The Board has again decided to keep their salaries the same for the next fiscal year.

I would like to **thank** all those who serve on our various Boards, the Fire Department personnel, the election workers, and the fine staff we have here at the Township. If you see them be sure to thank them because sometimes it is not easy work.

Remember our **Township Park** is open with benches, picnic tables, a playground, and a small pavilion. There is also an outside bathroom during the summer months.

Also, remember you can visit the **Nature Park**, located on the corner of Hotchkiss and Three Mile Road. There is a walking path there to use.

Have a safe, healthy, and happy summer.

### **From The Clerk \* Alvin J. Appold**

Office Hours: Monday 8:30am-4pm

Tuesday & Thursday 12-4pm

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The next Election will be the State Primary on August 3<sup>rd</sup>, with the last day to register July 6, 2010. November 2<sup>nd</sup> is the State General Election, with the last day to register October 4, 2010.

A synopsis of the January, February, and March Township Board Meetings:

January 12, 2010: A proposal for updating and repairing light fixtures for the Fire Barn & Office from Ken David Electric was accepted. ~ A Road Patrol contract was approved to pay Bay County Sheriff our share of \$8,079.50/Year for the Sheriff's Patrol Service for our Township residents. The contract for a Patrol Service is shared with Beaver, Fraser, Kawkawlin, and Pinconning Townships. The County Sheriff is to furnish monthly reports to each Township. ~ Township Members appointed and their Duties: Norbert Begick and Mary Revord - One Year Terms - Zoning Board of Appeals; Armond Beiser - One Year Term - Board of Review; Dave Marr and David Helmreich - Three Year Terms - Planning Commission. ~ A proposal was accepted for stripping and waxing the Office floors.

February 9, 2010: MDOT will hold meetings on February 10<sup>th</sup> from 2-4pm and 5-7pm, showing the improvements planned for M-84 Construction.

March 9, 2010: We have excess REU's available that were assigned to us when the Bay County Water Department was established many years ago. The Board approved to sell 300 REUs to Kawkawlin Township for \$179.35/each, with proceeds going to the #591 Water Fund. ~ Roger Clauss, Larry Knoerr, and James Reichard were reappointed to the Construction Board of Appeals for a Two Year Term.

April 13, 2010: The Board decided to proceed with legal action against the owner of the property of Parcel #030-011-200-050-00 for failure to repair or demolish an unsafe structure. ~ The Clerk has voluntarily relinquished some of his duties and salary to Deputy Clerk Donna Reichard and Administrative Assistant Debbie Gibbon. ~ Felmlee Landscape Service was given the three year contract for grass cutting and fertilization. ~ The Old Fire Pumper is up for sale online.

### **From The Fire Chief \* Karl Verity**

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I would like to thank everyone who attended or supported our annual fundraiser in February. We raised \$5000.00 for the Fire Dept and that money will go towards Functions (open house etc...), clothing, and equipment.

The new Fire apparatus will be here in early June. The 2 assistant Chiefs Todd Schafer and Bryan Kukla and Captain Tony Passariello are headed to Iowa for the final inspection at the end of May and then it will go to Front Line in Freeland for some minor work and it will be done. This will be a great addition to the Department and our Township.

We will be having an open house to celebrate the arrival of the new apparatus in September.

Remember we are always looking for new members so if you are interested please stop in or call anytime!

**From The Township Zoning Administrator**

**Andrew Janetzki**

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On November 26, 2009, Frankenlust Township's revised ordinances went into effect requiring all accessory buildings or structures erected after the effective date to be at least 10 feet from your property line. Nor can such building or structure be within 10 feet from any other accessory building or principal building. Although sheds and structures smaller than 200 square feet do not require a building permit, it would be advisable to obtain a Zoning Permit to ensure that your shed or structure is appropriately placed on your property.

With the summer months coming and spring cleaning in high gear, I also wanted to give a friendly reminder that Frankenlust's ordinances do not allow unlicensed or inoperable vehicles to be stored outside on your property, including vehicles that are for sale. Our ordinances define a "junk motor vehicle" to include any vehicle that has been unlicensed for use on Michigan's streets and highways for more than 60 days, regardless if the vehicle operates or not. If you have a vehicle that is unlicensed and is sitting outside on your property, including those "For Sale", please either have the vehicle's license renewed or remove the vehicle from display.

Thank you for your corporation in these regards and for keeping Frankenlust Township a beautiful place to live!

**From The Township Building Inspector \* Dick Sabias**

Please be advised that it is not *mandatory* to obtain a building permit for roofing, siding, or window replacement when you are not altering the original structure. If you choose not to take out the permit, but then experience problems with work done by a licensed contractor, you will be assessed an hourly rate for me to inspect, complete required paperwork, attend hearings, etc., for the State of Michigan.

**From The Planning Commission**

**David Marr, Chairman**

With our new zoning ordinance in place, it's time to move forward with the next project: Wind Energy Conversion Systems - we'll just call them wind generators. Currently the Township does not have any way to regulate where they can go or how high they can be. Our concern is protecting the people of the Township from their neighbors haphazardly placing them on their property where they may interfere with your rights as a property owner. After much debate about wind energy, we decided to hire a consultant to work with us. He is well versed in rural townships such as ours and in wind energy as well. We hope to have our new ordinance in effect by July.

**From The Nature Park Committee**

Welcome to spring 2010. Things are growing at the Nature Park, weeds included. There is always work to be done. We hope to be extending the walking path, to the south of the large pond, this year. Our work is never ending, and if you want to roll up your sleeves and help out, please call the Township Office and leave your name and number. Our monthly meeting is at 7:00pm on the second Thursday. Come on down to the Nature Park and enjoy a stroll. Nature welcomes you.

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**The Census Takers will be going door to door through the end of June!**

<b>SUPERIOR</b>	
<b>CARPET CLEANING</b>	
Residential * Commercial	
Owner-Matt Revord Bay City, Michigan	<b>FREE ESTIMATES</b> <b>989-239-9451</b>

## Frankenlust Township Calendar

May ~ September 2010

May 31 & June 1 .....	<b>CLOSED-Memorial Day</b>
June 5 .....	Trash Pick Up (Delayed 1 Day)
June 8 .....	Township Board Meeting – 7:00pm
June 10 .....	Township Budget Review – 1:00pm
June 10 .....	Nature Park Committee Meeting –7:00pm
June 16 .....	Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00pm
June 22 .....	Twp Budget Hearing & Annual Meeting – 7pm
July 1 .....	Tax Bills & Deferments Mailed Out
July 5 .....	<b>CLOSED-Independence Day</b>
July 8 .....	Nature Park Committee Meeting –7:00pm
July 13 .....	Township Board Meeting – 7:00pm
July 21 .....	Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00pm
August 10 .....	Township Board Meeting – 7:00pm
August 12 .....	Nature Park Committee Meeting – 7:00pm
August 18 .....	Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00pm
Sept 6 & 7 .....	<b>CLOSED-Labor Day</b>
Sept 9 .....	Nature Park Committee Meeting – 7:00pm
Sept 11 .....	Trash Pick Up (Delayed 1 Day)
Sept 14 .....	Summer Taxes Due
Sept 14 .....	Township Board Meeting – 7:00pm
Sept 15 .....	Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00pm

### Township Office Information

Office Hours: Monday ..... 8:30am – 4:00pm  
 Tuesday ..... 8:30am – 4:00pm  
 Wednesday ..... CLOSED  
 Thursday ..... 8:30am-4:00pm  
 Friday ..... 8:30am-4:00pm

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