

Fremont Township Minutes
November 9, 2023

The regular meeting for the Fremont Twp. Board of Trustees was held on November 9, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fremont Township Hall.

Board members present: A. Holbrook, R. Curell, M. Blatt, C. Franzel and Kyle Thom. Absent: None

Guests: Tina Smith, Greg Eggert, Sally Minehart, Theresa Bristol-Miller, Ken Bragg, Brandon Blatt, Tyler Ireland, Terry Blackmer, and Gail Prill.

MINUTES:

Motion made by K. Thom seconded by R. Curell to approve the October 12, 2023, meeting minutes as presented - motion carried.

BILLS:

Motion to pay the bills as presented, by C. Franzel, seconded by K. Thom - motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

A Resident asked how we were coming on porting the siren telephone number from AT&T to the new phone company. A. Holbrook stated that she has been in contact with the new phone company and they are struggling with being able to port the number but hopefully we will have it figured out soon.

CLERK REPORT:

A. Holbrook gave the Board the report from the Zoning Administrator. He issued no citations and six permits. He also responded to three other complaints. He also wanted the Board to know that the blight issue on Brown Road has been resolved and that complaint is closed.

A. Holbrook also mentioned to the Board that we need to replace the copier/fax machine in the conference room. She found one online for under \$1,000 and wanted permission to purchase the machine. Motion made by M. Blatt, seconded by C. Franzel for the Clerk to make the purchase – motion carried.

A. Holbrook also gave the Board members copies of the estimate to install more security cameras around the building. Motion made by K. Thom, seconded by A. Holbrook to approve the security camera estimate – motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT:

Treasurer balance as of October 31, 2023, was \$640,244.40 Motion to accept the treasurer's report made A. Holbrook, seconded by K. Thom - motion carried.

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Cemetery Report – M. Blatt stated that the last tree to be removed from the cemetery has been taken down. He also stated that he spoke with the Caretaker about renewing his contract and the Caretaker stated that if he would be interested in renewing the contract there would be a price increase. M. Blatt asked him to put together some numbers for the Board.

Road Report – Leix Road is back open.

NEW BUSINESS:

M. Blatt stated that he received a request from the Tuscola County EDC requesting a \$1,500 donation from the township. This topic was tabled until next month for the Board to review.

M. Blatt also mentioned that we received a couple proposed resolutions from the County Board of Commissioners that they would like us to pass. One is regarding Solar and Wind Developments and the other is regarding Michigan Sanitary Code. Motion made by K. Thom, seconded by M. Blatt to approve the

Solar & Wind Development Resolution as presented. Roll call vote: R. Curell-yes, K. Thom-yes, M. Blatt-yes, A. Holbrook-yes, C. Franzel-yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by K. Thom, seconded by R. Curell to approve the Michigan Sanitary Code Resolution as presented Roll call vote: C. Franzel-yes, A. Holbrook-yes, M. Blatt-yes, K. Thom-yes, R. Curell-yes. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Terry Blackmer gave an update on the Fire Department. He also stated that he is looking into what would be needed to authorize him to be able to do fire investigations in the townships. Currently he is authorized in the Village but it would be helpful to be authorized in the townships that they serve as well.

Meeting adjourned at 7:344 p.m.

All meetings are held the second Thursday of every month at the Fremont Township Hall located at 4850 Mertz Road (M-24) at 7:00 p.m. All public is welcome to attend.

Amy Holbrook, Fremont Township Clerk.