

Fremont Township Minutes
March 14, 2019

The regular meeting for the Fremont Twp. Board of Trustees was held on March 14, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fremont Township Hall.

Board members present: M. Blatt, C. Sherwin, A. Holbrook, and J. Welke. Absent: H. Wymore.

Guests: Cheryl Sherwin, Boyd Volleweiler, Bill & Judy Raymond, Ida Barrons, Greg Eggert, Pete Mocerri, Ken Bragg, Theresa Bristol-Miller, Kenneth Miller III, and Gail Prill.

MINUTES:

Motion made by J. Welke, seconded by C. Sherwin to approve the February 14, 2019, regular meeting minutes as presented - motion carried. Motion made by C. Sherwin, seconded by J. Welke to approve the February 14, 2019, budget meeting minutes as presented - motion carried.

BILLS:

Motion to pay the bills as presented made by J. Welke, seconded by C. Sherwin - motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

A Resident was curious about the white vehicle that sometimes parks outside the hall. A. Holbrook stated that some people park at the hall to carpool for work. This Resident asked if something had changed with allowing people to park at the hall because they remember in the past someone wanted to use the parking lot to park vehicles for a wedding and they were told that they could not. This Resident wondered if it was a problem with the township's insurance. The Board members did not remember a request about using the parking lot to park vehicles for a wedding. C. Sherwin stated that there is not a problem with the insurance company.

Another Resident asked if the township was doing a tire collection. A. Holbrook stated that she would have to check with H. Wymore to see if the paperwork was turned in. A. Holbrook stated that she did hear that they are only doing six townships and that Vassar Township was turned down for the tire collection. A Resident stated that Watertown Township was also turned down.

CLERK REPORT:

Budget Amendments: The Board members were given a list of necessary amendments for the current 2018/2019 budget. Motion made by C. Sherwin, seconded by J. Welke to approve the amendments as listed – motion carried. 2019/2020 Budget: Motion made by M. Blatt seconded by J. Welke to approve the 2019/2010 budget as presented – motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT:

Treasurer balance as of February 28, 2019, was \$438,792.80. Motion to accept the treasurer report made by J. Welke seconded by A. Holbrook - motion carried. C. Sherwin stated that he has been talking with the accountant and they have decided that the township could spend approximately \$151,000 of the money that is in the reserve account and still have a reasonable amount in reserve for future use. Next month he will have an actual amount of what can be spent and then the Board can decide on some project that we may want to fund. M. Blatt stated that it could be used for roads. C. Sherwin also gave an overview of the amount that was collected with the summer and winter taxes. Overall he collected 90% of the summer taxes and 84% of the winter taxes.

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Cemetery Report – Had one burial this month.

Road Report – Received the bid for blacktopping Blackmore Road from Conrad to M24. Total cost is \$126,209.90. Motion made by J. Welke, seconded by M. Blatt to approve the work on Blackmore Road – motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

H. Wymore received a fireworks permit request from Krystal Lake Campground. Motion made by C. Sherwin, seconded by M. Blatt to approve the fireworks permit – motion carried.

Also H. Wymore met with the Township Attorney to discuss the property on the corner of Blackmore and Leix Road that needs cleaned up. The Attorney is sending a letter to both the property owner and the person with the land contract to let them know that it needs to be cleaned up or it will go to court.

A Resident mentioned that it was not mentioned at the last meeting that the work on Evergreen Creek has been completed but that they feel the Supervisor should be applauded for getting this taken care of and for the job well done. This Resident also asked about the generator for the hall and A. Holbrook stated that she and H. Wymore talked with Affordable Electric and they stated that the siren would not be a problem.

It was also questioned if the township was having any tree work done on Cat Lake Road towards Snover Road because there are yellow markers on several of the trees on both sides of the road. The Board stated that we do not have tree work being done on Cat Lake Road. It was mentioned to maybe check with Thumb Electric.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 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.