

**Fremont Township Minutes
October 13, 2016**

The regular meeting for the Fremont Twp. Board of Trustees was held on October 13, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fremont Township Hall.

Board members present: H. Wymore, C. Sherwin, A. Holbrook, J. Welke & I. Barrons. Absent: None
Guests: 8

MINUTES:

Without objection or correction the September 8, 2016, meeting minutes were approved. Motion made by I. Barrons, seconded by C. Sherwin – motion carried

BILLS:

Motion to pay the bills as presented made by J. Welke, seconded by C. Sherwin. I. Barrons mentioned that she wasn't completely informed last month regarding the appraisal and that she knows she voted to approve the appraisal but feels that we should have waited to get more information and so for that reason she doesn't feel like she can approve the bills even though she knows the bill needs to be paid – motion carried with 4 yes and 1 no .

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

A Resident mentioned that they think we should reconsider putting the minutes in the Mayville Monitor. Doing so would support the local paper and help keep people informed. C. Sherwin stated that we will talk with the Mayville Monitor and find out what the cost would be each month and bring the information back to the next meeting to be discussed. It was also mentioned that most people don't know about the township website and maybe we should hand out flyers on election day. A Resident also asked if it is true that we do not collect the \$500 from insurance companies for fire runs. C. Sherwin stated that right now we do not bill for fire runs because that cost is included in the \$25 Fire Special Assessment. When we discuss the renewal of the fire contract with the Village of Mayville, we will be discussing the billing process. It was also questioned as to whether or not we have spent \$10,000 on fire runs this year. C. Sherwin stated that we have spent \$10,000 on fire runs this year but the majority of that money came out of the money collected for the fire assessment. We have only spent approximately \$800 out of the general fund for fire runs. A Resident asked if the corner gas station purchased the liquor license from the party store and H. Wymore said yes. This Resident then asked if the party store and reapply for a liquor license and H. Wymore stated that they cannot because there are only a certain number of licenses allowed in each area. Another Resident asked if the appraisal of the township hall has been completed and what was it appraised. C. Sherwin stated that the appraisal came back at \$185,000.00 for the as is market value and \$259,000.00 for the as is insurable value. So the appraisal came back well under what the insurance company appraised it at which was \$398,027.00.

CLERK REPORT:

Absentee ballot applications are available outside the township hall and can be placed in the drop box. Also the Clerk will be out of the office on Wednesday, October 19th.

TREASURER REPORT:

Treasurer balance was \$262,032.92 as of September 30, 2016. Motion to accept treasurer report made by A. Holbrook, seconded by I. Barrons – motion carried.

C. Sherwin mentioned that we have just received a copy of the annual audit report and that if anyone would like to look at a copy of the report, it is on the back table.

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Cemetery Report – Sold \$300 in cemetery lots. Also Al Avram from Avram Funeral Home has requested the permission to install some headstone footings when necessary if Wayne is unavailable to install the footings. Motion made by C. Sherwin seconded by I. Barrons to allow Avram Funeral Home to place footings if necessary – motion carried.

Road Report – Clark Park Road has been graveled and is looking very nice. Also the gravel patching has been completed. O’Brien Road has started being blacktopped and will be finished this week. A Resident asked what was decided about closing Snover Road between Lobdell and Schott Road – the board mentioned that it was decided to table that and so it will be left as is for now. Another Resident asked what happened regarding the water problem near Phelps Lake Road. H. Wymore stated that he has talked to the County Drain Commission and they stated that since it is not a county drain they have no authority over it and that the only way they can do anything with it would be if the property owners gave them an easement. H. Wymore also talked to the Road Commission and they stated that they have no right of way on that drain. At this point, it is up to the property owners to work something out.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49 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