Fremont Township Minutes September 11, 2014

The regular meeting for the Fremont Twp. Board of Trustees was held on September 11, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fremont Township Hall.

Board members present: H. Wymore, C. Sherwin, A. Holbrook, J. Welke & I. Barrons. Guests: 7

MINUTES:

Without objection or correction the August 14, 2014, minutes were approved. Motion made by J. Welke, seconded by I. Barrons – motion carried.

DR. EDWARD "NED" CANFIELD:

Dr. Canfield is running for State Representative for our district and he wanted to introduce himself. He also gave some of his background history. He stated that if he was elected, he would represent all the people no matter what part of the district they were from.

GARY ANDERSON (ATBD):

Gary explained the township's audit report for 2013/2014 and how the township's finances look. He commented that the pension plan that the township participates in is a good plan. He also stated that the township has had another good year. He did state that in the future with the decreased revenue that it will get harder to operate. J. Welke asked if he had any suggestions to keep making the Township functional. Gary stated that the Township Board has always been prudent and that all we could do is to continue being prudent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

A Resident asked why in the bills the Township spent \$70 to have letters folded when this Resident thought a few years ago the Township purchased a machine to do that. A. Holbrook stated that as far as she knew, the Township did not have one of those machines. This Resident then asked how much one of those machines cost and C. Sherwin stated that they are around \$400.

CLERK REPORT:

Nothing to report at this time, it was been a quiet month.

TREASURER REPORT:

Treasurer balance was \$177,030.22 as of August 31, 2014. Motion to accept treasurer report made by J. Welke, seconded by I. Barrons – motion carried. C. Sherwin also mentioned that he transferred money into the general checking account to keep the balance at \$1,100 so that we would not be charged a service fee each month. He stated that even though the account balance is at \$1,500 we were still assessed these charges but he has spoken with the bank and they are refunding those charges. He also stated that there was a mistake at the bank and some of the tax payments were deposited to the Village of Mayville's account and that the bank had transferred that money back to the Township. However, the bank transferred it to the general checking account so he will be transferring it back to the tax account.

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Cemetery Report – Had three burials this month. Also the Cemetery Caretaker repaired the broken drain at the Fremont Cemetery.

Road Report – Blackmore Road from Leix to Chambers has been blacktopped. Also Kappen has completed the tree removal on Chambers Road.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Holbrook stated that the Township has received a letter from the State of Michigan stating that they have accepted the corrective action plan to correct the deficiencies noted in the 2013 AMAR Review and that a follow up review will be conducted after the completion of the 2015 assessment roll.

BILLS:

Motion to pay the bills as presented including check # 12068 to Kappen Tree Service for \$18,000 for the work on Chambers Road by H. Wymore seconded by C. Sherwin – motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 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