Fremont Township Minutes December 9, 2021

The regular meeting for the Fremont Twp. Board of Trustees was held on December 9, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fremont Township Hall.

Board members present: A. Holbrook, R. Curell, and M. Blatt. Absent: K. Thom and C.Franzel. Guests: Henry & Carolyn Wymore, Bob DeCoe, Greg Eggert, Steve Walton, Ken Bragg, Ida Barrons, Gail Prill, and John Welke.

MINUTES:

Motion made by R. Curell, seconded by M. Blatt to approve the November 11, 2021, regular meeting minutes as presented - motion carried.

BILLS:

Motion to pay the bills as presented except for check 14519 for K. Thom, made by A. Holbrook, seconded by R. Curell - motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

A Resident wanted to get an update on the Naugle property. M. Blatt stated that he spoke with the attorney and the attorney had been out of the office for a couple weeks due to sickness so the letters were delayed in being sent out but all letters have been sent and filed with the courts and the property owner has 21 days to comply. This Resident also wanted to comment about the rise in Covid cases and they feel that if the cases continue to double every week that the Board should consider having Zoom meetings instead of in-person meetings. M. Blatt stated that we had tried to have online meetings in the past but the internet is not fast enough and it did not work. This Resident also wanted to know if the township had figured out what they can spend the ARPA funds on and A. Holbrook stated that she would be bringing that up later during the meeting. Another Resident commented that they were surprised to not see a large attorney bill yet and A. Holbrook stated that we have not received a bill yet. A Resident mentioned that the Board should make sure and keep the ARPA funds separate and A. Holbrook stated that the Treasurer has been in contact with the Auditor and we are going to setup separate income and expense accounts for that money. Another Resident asked if we knew what was going on with the new electrical inspector because they are waiting for their final electrical inspection and cannot get ahold of anyone. M. Blatt asked this Resident to email him and he would get them the new contact information.

CLERK REPORT:

A. Holbrook stated that she received a monthly report from the Zoning Administrator and has given out two building permits. A. Holbrook also mentioned that we received the report from the Mayville Fire Department and Chief Blackmer mentioned that 2021 has had the highest run total in the history of the department. C. Franzel asked A. Holbrook to mention to the Board about an email that she received regarding a person that is assisting the County in regards to how they can spend the ARPA funds. C. Franzel would like to know if the Board wants her to reach out and get more information or not. M. Blatt stated that she should find out what it will cost the township first. A. Holbrook stated that she would let C.Franzel know. Motion made by R. Curell, seconded by M. Blatt to approve the Clerk's report – motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT:

Treasurer balance as of November 30, 2021, was \$438,993.61. Motion to accept the treasurer report made by A. Holbrook, seconded by M. Blatt - motion carried.

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Cemetery Report – Had six cremation burials this month. H. Wymore stated that he had a non-resident call regarding the cost of a lot in the cremation cemetery. He said that he knew the other lots were three times the resident's cost for non-residents so he told them \$300. A. Holbrook stated that the website shows that the

lot costs for non-residents is \$200. M. Blatt asked if we could approve the cost to be \$300 and A. Holbrook stated that we could with a motion. Motion made by M. Blatt, seconded by R. Curell to make the cost of a cremation burial lot for non-residents \$300 – motion carried.

Road Report – M. Blatt stated that we have a couple gravel roads (Waterman and Chambers) that need attention so he is getting an estimate and should have pricing in January. The Road Commission apologized for not getting to Cat Lake Road this year but they will get to it first thing next year and at the same costs.

NEW BUSINESS:

M. Blatt stated that he received a Metro Act Permit request from Air Advantage. They want to run a fiber optic line through the township for better internet service. M. Blatt also stated that as of today Air Advantage was bought by Thumb Electric so they will be running this line along the power lines. Motion made by A. Holbrook, seconded by R. Curell to approve the Metro Act Permit for Air Advantage – motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 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.