

**Fremont Township Minutes**  
**March 13, 2025**

The regular meeting for the Fremont Twp. Board of Trustees was held on March 13, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fremont Township Hall.

Board members present: M. Blatt, A. Prill, R. Curell, C. Franzel and B. Blatt. Absent: None.

Guests: Henry & Carolyn Wymore, John Welke, Greg Eggert, Sally Minehart, Ken Bragg, Jennifer Leitzel, Gail Prill, and Terry Blackmer.

**MINUTES:**

Motion made by B. Blatt seconded by R. Curell to approve the February 13, 2025, regular meeting minutes as presented – motion carried. Motion made by A. Prill, seconded by B. Blatt to approve the February 13, 2025, budget meeting minutes as presented - motion carried.

**BILLS:**

Motion to pay the bills as presented made by C. Franzel, seconded by R. Curell - motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

A Resident wanted to know why the flag has not been flown at the township hall for the last several months. A. Prill stated that the hooks to hold the flag are broken and need replaced. A. Prill has gotten the new hooks and they just need to be installed.

Another Resident wanted everyone to know that the senior meal site for Caro is back open and the first meal is March 27<sup>th</sup>. There are also meal sites held in Mayville and Vassar.

**CLERK REPORT:**

Zoning Report - In February he issued one citation and one permit. He also gave an update on the Blackmore Road unapproved occupancy complaint and the Mertz Road unregistered vehicle blight complaint.

Budget Amendments: The Board members were given a list of necessary amendments for the current 2024/2025 budget. Motion made by A. Prill, seconded by B. Blatt to approve the amendments as listed - motion carried.

2025/2026 Budget – Motion made by C. Franzel, seconded by A. Prill to approve the 2025/2026 proposed budget. Roll call vote: R. Curell-yes, B. Blatt-yes, M. Blatt-yes, A. Prill-yes, C. Franzel-yes. Motion carried.

A. Prill stated that the Board needs to pass an updated Poverty Exemption Resolution for 2025. She stated that it is the same as the previous year's resolution with updated federal guidelines. Motion made by R. Curell, seconded by B. Blatt to approve the 2025 Resolution for Poverty Exemption. Roll call vote: C. Franzel-yes, A. Prill-yes, R. Curell-yes, B. Blatt-yes, M. Blatt-yes. Motion carried.

**TREASURER REPORT:**

Treasurer balance as of February 28, 2025, was \$256,512.13. Motion to accept the treasurer's report made by A. Prill, seconded by B. Blatt - motion carried.

**SUPERVISOR REPORT:**

Cemetery Report – Received a tree removal bid from the Cemetery Caretaker to remove five trees at the Fremont Cemetery. There was discussion as to whether or not we should put this out for bid. It was also asked if we needed to do all five trees right now. R. Curell stated that the two trees at the back of the cemetery near the stairs do need to be taken down. A. Prill agreed that those two trees should be removed. A. Prill stated that we also will have to pay to have the stumps ground as that is not included in the bid price. Motion made by R. Curell, seconded by C. Franzel to accept the bid for tree removal of five trees at \$900 per tree for a total of \$4,500 – motion carried with 3 yes and 2 no.

Road Report – M. Blatt stated that he met with the Road Commission and we were approved to put 21AA on our gravel roads. We will be working with the Road Commission and Dayton Township to coordinate this process. M. Blatt stated that we are also working with Dayton Township to coordinate some other road projects in the future. M. Blatt also submitted the paperwork for proposed roadwork for next year and is still waiting on pricing. There was also discussion on the cost for tree removal on Blackmore, O'Brien, and Snover Roads. There is a possibility of getting a grant to do this work but the township would have to pay a 20% match. M. Blatt also gave an update on the Washburn Road project. He stated that the final bill came in at \$874,657.05 which was under budget.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

M. Blatt stated that he has been getting calls regarding blight and a possible special land use that was approved on Brown Road. A. Prill stated that she has been talking with the Zoning Administrator regarding this property and the special land use was revoked because the applicant did not obtain the required bond.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 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 Prill  
Fremont Township Clerk.