Fremont Township Minutes November 7, 2013

The regular meeting for the Fremont Twp. Board of Trustees was held on November 7, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fremont Township Hall.

Board members present: H. Wymore, C. Sherwin, A. Holbrook, J. Welke, & I. Barrons. Guests: 12

MINUTES:

Without objection or correction the October 10, 2013, minutes were approved. Motion made by I. Barrons seconded by C. Sherwin – motion carried.

CHRISTINE TRISCH (County Commissioner):

Christine stated that the County Commissioners have started working on the budget. She stated that Tuscola County has the lowest budget out of any county in Michigan and yet Tuscola County is one of the highest for special millages. She also thanked everyone that came out to the Commissioners meeting last month. She has suggested to the other Commissioners that they have one meeting per month in the evening. The digital mapping is on hold right now because the grant that the County was hoping to get cannot be used for digital mapping.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

CLERK REPORT:

Nothing to report this month, has been fairly quiet.

TREASURER REPORT:

Treasurer balance was \$170,797.48 as of October 31, 2013. Motion to accept treasurer report made by J. Welke, seconded by A. Holbrook – motion carried.

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Cemetery Report – Sold \$700 worth of cemetery lots. H. Wymore commented that he has talked with the Cemetery Caretaker/Sexton and they feel that we need to update our Cemetery Rules to cover some problems that we have been having. He handed out the suggested changes. Motion made by C. Sherwin, seconded by J. Welke to table this until next month – motion carried. H. Wymore also commented that he would like the Board to increase the cost for grave services in order to help cover the cost for footings that are damaged when they have to be moved for a burial. Currently the cost is \$500 for a full burial and \$100 for a cremation burial and this charge gets paid to the Sexton. He would like to increase the full burial by \$25 and the cremation burial by \$10 and have these funds stay in the general fund to cover the possible repairs. Motion made by H. Wymore, seconded by C. Sherwin to increase the cost of graves services to be \$525 for full burials and \$110 for cremation burials – motion carried.

Road Report – H. Wymore received a letter from the Road Commission stating that the haul agreement held by Lee Wood for Ambrose Road has been removed. Also, Kappen Tree Service has completed Hunt Road. Due to the fact that they were able to bring in their heavy equipment and do both sides of the road this year, they gave the township a \$16,000 discount from the original estimate. Total cost for the brush and tree removal on Hunt Road from M-24 to the Cemetery was \$20,000. J. Welke asked if the Road Commission has started the gravel patching yet. H. Wymore stated that we have turned in the necessary paperwork so they should start gravel patching soon.

BILLS:

Motion to pay the bills made by J. Welke seconded by I. Barrons – motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 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