

Fremont Township Minutes
November 11, 2021

The regular meeting for the Fremont Twp. Board of Trustees was held on November 11, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fremont Township Hall.

Board members present: A. Holbrook, R. Curell, M. Blatt, and C. Franzel. Absent: K. Thom

Guests: Ken Bragg, John Welke, Gail Prill, Ida Barrons, Bob DeCoe, Bob Houle, Jennifer Leitzel, Henry & Carolyn Wymore, Thersa Bristol-Miller, Greg Eggert, Carolyn Coughlin, and Steve Walton

MINUTES:

Motion made by R. Curell, seconded by C. Franzel to approve the October 14, 2021, regular meeting minutes as presented - motion carried.

BILLS:

Motion to pay the bills as presented made by M. Blatt, seconded by A. Holbrook - motion carried. M. Blatt questioned as to whether or not we were billing for fire runs. A. Holbrook stated that the current special assessment for fire states that we will not bill residents for fire runs. A. Holbrook stated that she thinks we would need to amend the fire assessment but that is something we should look into. M. Blatt stated that he will talk with the attorney and get his opinion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

A Resident wondered why K. Thom has not been at the last few board meetings and also missed the last Planning Commission meeting. M. Blatt stated that this resident would have to ask K. Thom. Another Resident stated that in the newspaper it stated that Fairgrove Township received some money from the ARPA funds and wondered if our township was going to get some. This Resident stated that they feel the Treasurer should keep the public informed about where the money comes from. A. Holbrook stated that we have received half of the ARPA funds and they were just deposited into the township account in the last week or so. This Resident also asked what we are going to spend this money on and they were informed that we are still waiting to find out what we can spend the money on but if possible we would like to spend it on roads.

ROBERT DECOE & BOB HOULE regarding the Naugle property:

Mr. DeCoe gave the Board members a list of the zoning ordinances that this property is violating. He stated that this has been going on for over five months and they want to see progress. Bob Houle stated that they want a list of dates of when violations have been issued to this property. He stated that this property is making the value of their property decrease. Mr. DeCoe stated that this property should have been issued several thousands of dollars in fines because they are repeat offenders and they are not taking care of the violations. M. Blatt informed them that they have met with the attorney regarding this property and all the information has been turned over to the courts. M. Blatt stated that at this time the only thing we can do is wait for the court system to let us know what the next step is.

CLERK REPORT:

A. Holbrook stated that she received a monthly report from the Zoning Administrator and has given a copy to all the Board members. The Zoning Administrator issued four violations and three permits. Motion made by C. Franzel, seconded by M. Blatt to approve the Clerk's report – motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT:

Treasurer balance as of October 31, 2021, was \$473,797.92. Motion to accept the treasurer report made by A. Holbrook, seconded by M. Blatt - motion carried.

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Cemetery Report – Had four cremation burials last month. Also, Arland Draper is doing a fantastic job on repairing the historic grave markers at the cemetery. He has done several but has several more to go and probably will not be able to finish them all this year. M. Blatt also wanted to thank H. Wymore for all the help he is doing at the cemetery also.

Road Report – M. Blatt stated that he is still waiting for a report from the Road Commission so that we can decide on what roads need to be worked on next year. Hopefully we will have that report for next months meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

M. Blatt stated that he received the official contract from Republic for the garbage pickup. Cost per month per residence will be \$12.85 for year 1, \$13.24 for year 2, \$13.63 for year 3, \$14.04 for year 4, and \$14.46 for year 5.

M. Blatt stated that he has had a meeting with the Township Attorney and we are able to apply more regulations to the cultivation of medical marijuana and the attorney suggested that we pass a moratorium until the Planning Commission can meet and update the ordinance. Motion made by M. Blatt, seconded by A. Holbrook to approve the Resolution for a Moratorium on Approvals for the Caregiver Cultivation of Medical Marijuana and High Amperage Electrical Service Permits as presented by the attorney. Roll call vote: C. Franzel-yes, A. Holbrook-yes, M. Blatt-yes, R.Curell-yes, K.Thom-absent. Motion carried.

M. Blatt also mentioned that the new Mayville Fire Chief is Terry Blackmer and he sent the board members a monthly report on what is going on at the Fire Department. It was also mentioned that if you need a burn permit to please call 989-843-6662 and you will be given further instructions.

Meeting adjourned at 8:14 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.