

**Fremont Township Minutes**  
**June 8 2023**

The regular meeting for the Fremont Twp. Board of Trustees was held on June 8, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fremont Township Hall.

Board members present: A. Holbrook, R. Curell, M. Blatt, C. Franzel, and K. Thom. Absent: None.

Guests: Henry Wymore, Greg Eggert, Ken Bragg, Gail Prill, Pete Moceri, Jerry White, Johnny Smith, Brandon Blatt, Brent Dankert, Jason Root, Will Green, Walter & Anne Lybeckyj, Rachele Lubeckyj, Walter Lubeckyj and Tisha Lick,

**MINUTES:**

Motion made by K Thom seconded by C. Franzel to approve the May 11, 2023, meeting minutes as presented - motion carried.

**BILLS:**

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

**JERRY WHITE:**

Jerry introduced himself and stated that he was interested in our Zoning Administrator position. He grew up in the Mayville area and is still a resident of Tuscola County. He works for the Health Department and has checked with his boss and the County to make sure it would not be a conflict of interest and they assured him that it would not. M. Blatt asked when he could start and he stated that he could start right away and he has already talked with our current Zoning Administrator and he has agreed to help him get up to speed on the job. Motion made by K. Thom, seconded by R. Curell to hire Jerry White as our Zoning Administrator – motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

A Resident asked if the federal money take back would affect the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds that we received. M. Blatt stated that he does not know about that but we have already spent our money. Another Resident asked how they would get ahold of the new Zoning Administrator and M. Blatt stated that we would get his information updated on the website and get him setup with an email account and phone extension at the hall.

A Resident that lives at 1290 W. Brown Road wanted an update on the blight problem at 1318 W. Brown Road. M. Blatt stated that the Zoning Administrator has been working with that property owner and there is a procedure to follow and we are currently following that process.

**KIM VAUGHAN (County Commissioner):**

Vaughan stated that they have received information from the State that the County is going to be responsible for controlling the garbage and recycling of all the townships. They do not have a lot of information yet but they are required to put together a Board and have a master plan. They are currently working on that.

**ROAD COMMISSION:**

Brent Dankert from the Road Commission gave the Board the three options for repairing Washburn Road. If this is something that the Township plans on doing next year they would like to know as soon as possible so that they can start planning for the project as it will probably coincide with the Saginaw Road project. The Board stated that they will look over the paperwork and the options provided and make a decision next month.

**CLERK REPORT:**

A. Holbrook gave the Board the report from the Zoning Administrator. He issued one citations and five permits. The Zoning Administrator had mentioned that there is one property that he has been notifying about blight but they are ignoring his citations and not clearing up the problem. He feels we need to contact the township attorney about this location and have them send a letter. Motion made by A. Holbrook, seconded by C. Franzel to turn this property over to the attorney – motion carried. M. Blatt stated that he would contact the attorney. Motion made by K. Thom, seconded by M. Blatt to accept the Clerk's report – motion carried.

**TREASURER REPORT:**

Treasurer balance as of May 31, 2023, was \$590,097.26. Motion to accept the treasurer's report made A. Holbrook, seconded by K. Thom - motion carried.

**SUPERVISOR REPORT:**

Cemetery Report – Had two burials this past month.

Road Report – M. Blstt stated that he spoke with the Road Commission about getting a bid for tree removal on Blackmore Road from Leix Road to Chambers Road. There are several trees that are dead and every time the wind blows trees end up in the road. He stated that the trees roots are also affecting our road condition so need to be removed. Road Commission gave a bid for \$61,900 which would include removing all trees on both sides of the road and griding the stumps. The Board tabled this until next month so all Board members could drive that section of road.

Meeting adjourned at 8:39 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.