

Fremont Township Minutes
January 9, 2014

The regular meeting for the Fremont Twp. Board of Trustees was held on January 9, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fremont Township Hall.

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

Guests: 8

MINUTES:

Without objection or correction the December 12, 2013, minutes were approved. Motion made by I. Barrons, seconded by J. Welke – motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

A Resident wanted to know why the Road Commission was not out earlier on Sunday evening to take care of the snow instead of waiting until Monday morning when it was worse. This Resident stated they have talked to other people who stated that the Road Commission should have been out sooner and they could have done more. This Resident also questioned as to when the Road Commission meets and if the public can attend. H. Wymore told them that they meet twice a month and the public can attend.

CLERK REPORT:

Fire Protection Ordinance – Received the updated copy of the Ordinance with the changes. Motion made by C. Sherwin, seconded by I. Barrons to adopt the Fire Protection Ordinance as written – motion carried. Fire Agreement – A. Holbrook received a copy of the Fire Agreement from the Village which is the same as the previous agreement with a 3% increase in the cost. A. Holbrook asked the Board if they wanted to send the Village a copy of the suggested draft Fire Agreement that was received from our attorney. J. Welke thought it would be a good idea so that the Village can review it and have their attorney look it over for advisement. After some discussion the Board thought it was a good idea to pass along the draft to the Village to see if we can agree on the minor changes suggested by the Township Attorney. Budget Workshop – Will hold the budget workshop immediately following the February 13th board meeting. A. Holbrook will send the Board members a draft copy of the 2014/2015 budget.

TREASURER REPORT:

Treasurer balance was \$160,773.97 as of December 31, 2013. Motion to accept treasurer report made by J. Welke, seconded by I. Barrons – motion carried.

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Cemetery Report – The Cemetery Rules have been updated and each Board member was given a copy and they have also been updated on the website. H. Wymore stated that since the rules have been updated we may want to update the signs at the cemeteries. He also stated that the new cemetery does not have a sign. H. Wymore stated that he had also talked to Wayne (cemetery caretaker) and he suggested that maybe we get a box of some type that we can place at each cemetery and place copies of the cemetery rules inside for people to take. The Board thought that option sounded good and we will look into what would be needed to place copies at the cemeteries. H. Wymore also mentioned to the Board members that we need to approve a Cemetery Ordinance and that A. Holbrook will get a draft copy to each Board member to review so that we can discuss it at the February meeting.

Road Report – Not much to report except that the roads are slippery and there is a lot of snow. C. Sherwin commented that the Road Commission will be paid off this month when we approve the bills tonight.

NEW BUSINESS:

H. Wymore mentioned that he and C. Sherwin have received numerous phone calls from residents wanting to know why the township does not include garbage pickup in the taxes.

Planning Commission meeting for January 6th was rescheduled due to weather to January 13th.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 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