

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Draft Minutes of the Regular Meeting
December 9, 2008, 8:00pm

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Supervisor Weidmayer called the meeting to order at 8:00PM. Members present:
Weidmayer, Alexa, Haeussler, Huehl & Schaible

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Minutes: Moved by Haeussler Seconded by Huehl to:
Approve the November 11, 2008 Township Board minutes. Motion carried by all Ayes. CARRIED

4. Treasurer's Report: Moved by Alexa seconded by Haeussler to:
Approve the November 11, 2008 Treasurers report.
Aye: Schaible, Huehl, Weidmayer, Alexa, Haeussler
Nay: none CARRIED

5. Communications: Supervisor Weidmayer attended recycle day in Chelsea thought it was a very impressive program. HB 4839 the Senate transportation committee is trying to take the authority from townships to void all existing township truck route ordinances and give the authority to the county road commissions. MDOT is reporting the snow/salt routes for this winter they will only use overtime on orange routes. A fire call in Freedom Township with a Chelsea address could not get the Manchester fire department to respond to the fire, there was some confusion with the address but Manchester fire did respond.

6. Public Comment: A resident that did not call 911 got a fire truck and first responders after calling a 800 number for an ambulance only, the resident commented that he does not feel dispatch should make the decision for him, when he ask only for an ambulance. The resident on Hieber road with the sunshade says he is ok with getting a building permit but has not gotten one yet. The resident is not willing to pay the legal bills.

7. Reports:

Historian report: Bob Miller reported that Jane Thornton won the CRC award and another for working with youths. Bob also reported that Freedom Township would celebrate 175 years next year; Bob is going to come up with an idea to celebrate.

Planning Commission report: Mr. Hoffman does not have a riding stable or does not board horses; he is working with the Township regarding the signs. OHM went to Barrett the portion that is to be reclaimed was only regarded not seeded, Barrett is looking into winter seed. Pleasant Lake School the PC approved rezoning to C-1. Master plan updated draft was finalized. A full copy of the PC minutes is available through the clerk's office.

Zoning Inspector report: one tool shed at 11200 E. Pleasant Lake rd.

Ordinance Enforcement report: Spoke with Mr. Hoffman regarding sign.

8. Unfinished Business:

Motion by Weidmayer seconded by Haeussler to have all 3 doors replaced at the Town hall.

A roll call vote resulted in:

Aye: Haeussler, Huehl, Weidmayer, Schaible, Alexa

Nay: none

CARRIED

Moved by Weidmayer seconded by Alexa to rezone Pleasant Lake School to C-1 contingent that the case no. 08-1160-CH is amended as filed.

A roll call vote resulted in:

Aye: Schailbe, Huehl, Alexa, Weidmayer, Haeussler

Nay: none

CARRIED

9. New Business:

Moved by Alexa Seconded by Schaible If C & T is still in violation of the 30-40 feet following OHM's Inspection then the Township board will have the Township attorney pull the reclamation bond.

Motion carried by all Ayes.

CARRIED

The Manchester school superintendent spoke about our resolution 08-02 opposing February's school election. The schools have many reasons for wanting the election in February; it would be a 2.5 million bond.

Moved by Schaible, seconded by Huehl to withdraw 08-02 resolution as is.

A roll call vote resulted in:

Aye: Weidmayer, Schaible, Haeussler

Nay: Alexa, Huehl

CARRIED

Moved by Weidmayer Seconded by Schaible to reappoint Edward Curley, Kevin Ernst, Gerald Huehl and alternate Ken Siler to the Board of review.

Motion carried by all Ayes.

CARRIED

Moved by Weidmayer Seconded by Huehl to appoint Lyn Voegeding, Earl Horning, Frank Lobbestael, Dale Weidmayer, and Larry Lindemann to Board of Appeals.

Motion carried by all Ayes.

CARRIED

Moved by Weidmayer Seconded by Haeussler to reappoint Larry Lindemann and Susan Ochs to the Planning Commission.

Motion carried by all Ayes.

CARRIED

Moved by Weidmayer Seconded by Alexa to appoint a representative Dan Schaible from the Freedom Township Board to the Planning Commission.

Motion carried by all Ayes.

CARRIED

Moved by Schaible seconded by Huehl to set the Freedom Township board meeting for the second Tuesday of each month for 2009.

Motion carried by all Ayes.

CARRIED

10. **Warrants:** Moved by Schaible, seconded by Huehl: To approve December warrants 88434-8469 void 8437 & 8438 Roll call vote was unanimous.

Aye: Weidmayer, Schaible, Haeussler, Huehl, Alexa

Nay: none

CARRIED

11. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 10:08 p.m.

Jennifer Alexa, Clerk, Freedom Township