

**Freedom Township**  
**Special Meeting, April 10, 2007**

April 10, 2007 Special Meeting with the Washtenaw Road Commission – Supervisor Little called the meeting to order at 7:08p.m. All Board members were present. Steven Puuri, Managing Director with the Washtenaw Road Commission, took questions from the audience and the board. Also present was Ken Nixon Director of Operations. The township can restrict gravel roads as “no through truck routes” the township would have to do this with an ordinance. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 P.M.

**Synopsis Board Meeting Minutes**  
**April 10, 2007**

Supervisor Little called the regular board meeting to order at 8:03 p.m. All Board members were present. March 13, 2007 regular board minutes, and treasurer’s report were approved.

**Public Comment:** A resident read a short statement that the CROW organization in the township has filed a lawsuit against MDEQ with Washtenaw county circuit court, because they have not been able to protect our homes, wells, and waters. The CROW has also asked the township board to appeal the permit that MDEQ has issued to Barrett; the township attorney is working on the appeal. Dale Sawyer and Steve Lemon from the township gravel pits spoke to the board regarding the new version of the Extraction ordinance, they have many concerns that the ordinance is to complex. The township board is reviewing the new version of the ordinance and will hold a public meeting and vote on the ordinance. Wireless Washtenaw update they are testing a loop from Manchester to Ann Arbor, then to Saline into Bridgewater then back to Manchester they are hoping to have people up and running on high speed by mid May.

**Planning Commission:** The planning commission has recommended to the board to pass the new version of the Extradition ordinance. A permit has been issued to Barrett from MDEQ to create an 85-acre lake at 100 foot depth. May 2<sup>nd</sup> will be a public hearing for comments on the zoning ordinance changes to comply with the Michigan Zoning enabling act. The pc will work on the wastewater and if changes need to be made to the zoning ordinance for Washtenaw Wireless. The PC and planner are reviewing the master plan and growth plan for the township.

**Zoning Inspector:** one zoning for an addition on Lima Center.

**Library report:** The director is a member of the TLN steering committee that handles all book deliveries, with state funding cuts; the libraries are feeling the pinch too. The committee is working to maintain delivery and services as close to normal. Remodeling is continuing as planned.

**Clerks Report:** County clean-up day is May 5<sup>th</sup> at 8025 Werker rd, Chelsea, from 9-4pm.

**Business:** Lawn service bid was given to Meadow Valley lawn service. The assessing contract with the county has increased to \$14,000 for the next year, board approved the increase. The clerk will speak with MTA regarding the township cemetery and how to proceed with having a resident purchase a lot. There is a PDR meeting April 26<sup>th</sup> that board members will attend. Warrants were approved. The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Jennifer Alexa  
Freedom Township Clerk  
Approved by Robert Little, Supervisor