

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Draft Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 8:00 pm

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

Supervisor Weidmayer called the meeting to order at 8:04 pm  
Members present: Weidmayer, Bristle, Layher, Huehl, Schaible

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**Change to Agenda:** Moved by Layher supported by Bristle to add Pleasant Lake Inn to new business.  
Motion carried with all Ayes. CARRIED

**3. Approval of Minutes:** Moved by Layher supported by Huehl to:  
Approve the March 10, 2015 Township Board minutes. Motion carried with all Ayes. CARRIED

**4. Treasurer's Report:** Moved by Huehl supported by Bristle to: Approve March 10, 2015 Treasurers report.  
Roll call vote was unanimous. Aye: Huehl, Layher, Bristle, Weidmayer, Schaible Nay: none CARRIED

**5. Communications:** Sheriff's report for March had 34 calls, 13 handled by the state police, 9 by the sheriff's office and 12 were cleared over the phone. SWWCOG meeting was last Wednesday had shared that the Huron River Watershed will hold a meeting April 22 at 5:30 at Cabelas. Citizens for Oil-Free Backyards was there voicing their concerns and will be at the meeting for the Village of Manchester on May 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm. Matt Pegouskie from the Chelsea Wellness Center was the guest speaker. Washtenaw County Parks sent a letter regarding the property at 9605 Waters Rd. Dale will advise the property owners that they need to go before the planning commission. StoneCo sent a letter that the sale of final for the Barrett Pit on March 27<sup>th</sup>. Recycle Ann Arbor would like to send a survey to our area. The board would like to hear more about the survey and their intentions before we allow. The next Washtenaw County clean up day is May 9<sup>th</sup> in Chelsea. MATS is holding a meeting for township Supervisors in Chelsea April 22-24.

Motion by Huehl supported by Schaible to send Supervisor to the MATS meeting in Chelsea April 22-24.  
Roll call vote was unanimous. Aye: Schaible, Layher, Bristle, Huehl, weidmayer Nay: none CARRIED

**6. Public Comment:** Dan Schaible shared about an mlive article saying ET Rover Pipeline has filed lawsuits against 17 different Washtenaw County property owners who denied the pipeline representatives from coming onto their property to survey. Beth Heuser would like to put up a sign for the rummage sale the PLPOA will have on May 8 & 9. She asked where the proposed placement of gravel would be for the township this year and it was answered Heiber and Lima Center Rd. She asked about proposal 1 and the increase in car registration, she was advised to go to the information meeting the Road Commission is holding. She asked what is going on between Dale weidmayer's farm and Roger Wiedmayer's farm and it is new tilling that will drain towards Luckhardt Rd.

**7. Reports:**

Planning Commission report: At the meeting last week there was a final review of the master plan and Rodney will have it for them at the next meeting. The planning commission will move their May meeting to May 7<sup>th</sup> in the office because of the state wide election being held on the 5<sup>th</sup>. A full copy of the PC minutes is available through the clerk's office.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer: Alvin reported that Troy Busha would be submitting a Conditional Use application which the clerk confirmed receiving. He received a noise complaint on Waters road and a neighbor dispute.

Zoning Officer: Jim had no new zonings for the month. He sent one letter to Mr. and Mrs. Carter regarding their new fence and one to Mr. Skowronski regarding one house per parcel.

Library- none

Clerk report: Clerk reported that ballots have been tested for the upcoming state election on May 5<sup>th</sup> and absentee ballots have started to go out. There will be a public information forum regarding proposal 1 on Thursday April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm at WISD at 1819 S. Wagner Rd, Ann Arbor. MTA on the road 2015 Regional meeting is June 4<sup>th</sup> in Chelsea open to all board members.

Motion by Huehl supported by Schaible to send clerk to the MTA meeting.

Roll call vote was unanimous. Aye: Bristle, Layher, Huehl, Weidmayer, Schaible Nay: none

CARRIED

**9. Unfinished Business:**

Town Hall Improvements/Windows- Discussion on new windows for the town hall, 3 quotes have been received from Kleinschmidt, J. Practor and Wallside Windows. The board would like to review more information so it tabled till next meeting.

Road Commission Contract- The board received a contract from the Washtenaw County Road Commission for its township-wide gravel program but we don't see anywhere that it accounts for the drainage or ditching matching funds. Supervisor or clerk will contact the road commission to clarify. It is tabled till next meeting.

**10. New Business:**

Lawn Mowing Bids- 2 bids were received for mowing the town hall lawn for 2015 from Simply Green and ER Lawn Service. Motion by Schaible supported by Layher to have ER Lawn Service mow the township hall grass for \$40.00 per mow.

Roll call vote was unanimous. Aye: Schaible, Layher, Huehl, Bristle, Weidmayer

Nay: none

CARRIED

Pleasant Lake Inn- Update on the progress since the fire. Manchester Fire Department has told us a control burn is not allowed. Dale Behnke from the Western Washtenaw Construction Authority has put up a dangerous building notice and said a permit needs to be issued before any work can start on the property. Clerk will contact MTA to see what has to be done to contact mortgage company and inquire about insurance information.

Motion by Huehl supported by Layher to have Supervisor appoint a person as the Dangerous Building Hearing Officer.

Motion carried with all Ayes:

CARRIED

**11. Warrants:** Motion by Schaible supported by Huehl: To approve the online payments for the 941 tax withholding and warrants 3108-3216.

Roll call vote was unanimous. Aye: Huehl, Weidmayer, Bristle, Schaible, Layher

Nay: none

CARRIED

**12. Public Comment:**

Adjourned at 10:18 pm

Valisa Bristle, Clerk, Freedom Township