

**Freedom Township**  
**Synopsis Board Meeting Minutes**  
**February 14, 2006**

Regular board meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. Board members Little, Alexa, Haeussler, Horning & Weidmayer were present. January 10, 2006 regular board minutes and Treasurer's report were approved.

**Audience Participation:** A resident ask the board to consider safe guards against any large establishments coming to Freedom township i.e. large lakes. Would like us to be more proactive vs. reactive. The board has already made some amendments to the extraction ordinance. The amendments being reviewed. The PC will also look over the master plan to see if anything can be changed.

**History project:** Freedom townships historian gave a presentation on Lion Lutheran church in Chelsea. About 30 years ago, the church built across the street from the original church. One way the church receives money for preservations is having weddings. There will be a German course to learn to speak German the course will be a 6-week long course starting March 6.

**Planning Commission:** - Waiting on report from hydro geologist about review of American Aggregates. Washtenaw county parks tabled. Panhandle tabled. Draft of the amendments for the extraction ordinance is out; the PC would like any comments back by March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Barrett is meeting with DEQ and the Hydro geologist to review the letter that DEQ had sent. Annual gravel pit tour is set for May 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am.

**Ordinance Officer Report:** Lima Center resident has cleaned up all vehicles on the property. He has been asked to remove the mailbox on Lima Center. Then the violations have been resolved. The resident is questioning what procedures the board has in place, so that not one individual is being singled out, would like to see several other homes clean up their properties.

**Zoning Inspector report:** One zoning permit on Bemis road.

**Library report:** March programs will be joint with Chelsea & Dexter Libraries. Using the theme of the book Nickel & Dimed. The national Library week theme is "Change your world @ your Library." The library has put in a request to the Ford Foundation to help pay for the elevator.

**Clerk's report:** Bridgewater drain project meeting scheduled February 22, at 7:00 PM. Resident circulated a letter if you anyone is interested in high-speed internet. Discussed the transfer of the Improvement CD.

**Business:** The steering committee for police services in the southwest part of Washtenaw County is making some proposals to the board of commissioners. Amendment of the improvement CD. Transfer of \$55,000 to the general fund, was approved. Motion to increase of Trustees salary to \$125.00 per meeting, also, to increase the supervisor's salary by \$1000.00. Motion passed. Motion to increase the Treasurer and Clerk's salaries \$500 annually. Motion passed. Motion to have the chair of the planning commission salary moved to \$3600.00 a year paid quarterly. Motion passed. The board appointed the Planning Commission chair to sit on the Zoning board of Appeals. Warrants were approved. The meeting was adjourned at 10:07 p.m.

Jennifer Alexa  
Freedom Township Clerk  
Approved by Supervisor, Bob Little