

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Draft Minutes of the Regular Meeting
March 11th, 2014 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: Motion by Bristle supported by Huehl to add salary review to new business.

Motion carried with all Ayes. CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes: Moved by Huehl supported by Layher to:

Approve the February 11, 2014 Township Board minutes with corrections.

Motion carried with all Ayes. CARRIED

4. Treasurer's Report: Moved by Bristle supported by Schaible to: Approve February 11, 2014 Treasurers report.

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

5. Communications: Treasurer Layher will post material from the county at the townhall and post it on the website. He also has a report available of a summary of all checks cut from the summer and winter taxes collected. Supervisor Weidmayer reported there were 18 cases reviewed at Board of Reviews this year. A 4-H club would like to do a service project and plant flowers around the townhall this year. The county would like to set up a county clean up day and possibly hold it at the Freedom Townhall in Aug or Sept. Also Weidmayer is working with the Washtenaw County Office of Community and Economic Development on several programs.

6. Public Comment: The Pleasant Lake Property Owners Association is having a meeting on Sunday Mar.30th at the townhall at 2:00 and all are welcome to attend. Karen asked about the townhall improvement wish list and the board is still working on it.

7. Reports:

Planning Commission report: At last week's meeting new zoning ordinance books were handed out for the planning commission and township board. There will be an electric copy available. Olsen's turned in a survey for a boundary adjustment. The gravel pits tour is set up for Sept. 13th at 8:00 am starting at Barrett and moving to StoneCo. Larry is sending a letter (with the board's approval) to the Washtenaw county equalization department asking them to honor our sliding scales and wait for paperwork from the township. A full copy of the PC minutes is available through the clerk's office.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer: Alvin, Dale and Rodney meet with Troy Busha and his attorney on Mar. 4th to discuss his situation and violations. On Mar. 6th Alvin received a letter saying they are working on a corrective action plan to resolve all issues.

Zoning Officer: No zonings this month just lots of calls.

Clerk report: Next clerk's meeting is Mar. 26th at Ann Arbor Township. Freedom Township will hold August and November elections. Township received a letter from Manchester First Steps/PAT with an invitation and tickets to their annual fundraiser on Mar. 29th, clerk plans to attend.

9. Unfinished Business:

Manchester District Library- The board is working with the township attorney on the resolution to put the option to withdraw from the Manchester District Library on the August ballot. The supervisor received 4 calls from residents asking it to be put on the ballot.

Road Millage Renewal- It is possible to put on the ballot this year but easier in the long run (recommendation from MTA) to let it expire Dec. 2014 and put it on the ballot in Aug or Nov 2015.

2013-2014 Budget- The following resolution was offered by Huehl, and seconded by Weidmayer

Be it further resolved that the total revenues and un-appropriated fund be amended for the 2013-2014 fiscal year.

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

2014-2015 Budgets-The following resolution was offered by Huehl, and supported by Bristle to adopt resolution 14-01 now therefore be it resolved the Freedom Township Board of Trustees adopts the 2014-2015 fiscal year budget by cost center.

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

The following resolution was offered by Huehl, and supported by Bristle to adopt resolution 14-02 now therefore be it resolved the Freedom Township Board of Trustees adopts the 2014-2015 Public Improvement Fund budget by cost center.

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

The following resolution was offered by Huehl, and supported by Bristle to adopt resolution 14-03 now therefore be it resolved the Freedom Township Board of Trustees adopts the 2014-2015 Road Millage budget by cost center.

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

Broadband- Ray Berg and Matt Little plan to attend the next meeting at Sylvan Township.

Gravel Pit Restoration- No communication

10. New Business:

Lawn Mowing Bids- No bids received yet. Plan to make a decision at the April meeting.

Roads- Washtenaw County Road Commission meeting has been set for April 10th, 2015 at 1:00 at the townhall

2014-2015 Salary Review- Discussion left salaries set as voted on last month.

11. Warrants: Motion by Huehl supported by Bristle: To approve the online payments for the 941 tax withholding and warrants 9973-9995.

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

12. Public Comment: None

Adjourned at 10:10 pm

Valisa Bristle, Clerk, Freedom Township