

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Draft Minutes of the Regular Meeting
March 10, 2009, 8:00pm

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Supervisor Weidmayer called the meeting to order at 8:23PM.

Members present: Haeussler, Weidmayer, Huehl, Alexa & Schaible

2. Pledge of Allegiance – a moment of silence for William Guenther, Betty Ganzhorn & Butch Godek.

3. Approval of Minutes: Moved by Haeussler Seconded by Huehl to:

Approve the February 10, 2009 Township Board minutes with corrections. Motion carried by all Ayes.

CARRIED

4. Treasurer's Report: Moved by Alexa seconded by Schaible to: Approve the February 10, 2009 Treasurers report.

Roll call vote was unanimous. Aye: Schaible, Huehl, Weidmayer, Alexa, Haeussler Nay: none

CARRIED

5. Communications: Supervisor Weidmayer thanked Connie Schenk for managing the town hall for the past 4 years.

6. Public Comment: The Freedom Township 175th celebration will take place on Saturday September 26th at the Town hall. Motion by Huehl seconded by Schaible to reserve the date for the 175th celebration. Motion carried by all Ayes.

CARRIED

A resident ask about 20/20 communications, there is no money to go forward with wireless Washtenaw at this time.

7. Reports:

Planning Commission Report: Bucholtz/Wells application tabled until June 2009. Zoning ordinance work session March 24th at 7:30pm. Reclamation bond to Barrett had wrong amount, a new letter was sent out with the correct amount. Blumenauer land division was approved. MCJPC industrial and residential review draft was discussed. A full copy of the PC minutes is available through the clerk's office.

Library report: Friends of the library collecting DVD's, VHS, books... till March 21st. The library budget ends in May, there are plans to cut some budget figures to cope with the economy.

Ordinance Enforcement report: 4620 Schneider road variance on a shed, and 11095 Bethel Church pole barn.

Zoning report: no zoning, just inquires.

Clerks report: School election will be held May 5th at the Freedom Township hall to vote on school board members.

8. Unfinished Business:

Motion by Huehl seconded by Alexa to adopt ordinance no. 36 to rezone certain lands owned by David Bucholtz, being parcel no. 14-22-200-033, from R-2 district to C-1 District. Roll call vote was unanimous. Aye: Haeussler, Huehl, Weidmayer, Schaible, Alexa Nay: none

CARRIED

Survey questions were reviewed, survey will be put into the next township newsletter, and suggestions were taken.

The township board met with the Washtenaw county road commission, the township plans on having 2 brine applications and there was talk about the road commission re-paving Schneider road.

9. New Business:

Moved by Alexa seconded by Huehl to adopt the 2009-2010 proposed budget to amend office supplies to \$6000 and PC Salaries to \$9000. A roll call vote resulted in:

Aye: Schaible, Huehl, Alexa, Weidmayer, Haeussler Nay: none

CARRIED

Motion to amend the budget resolution by removing to amend office supplies to \$6000 & PC salaries to \$9000.

A roll call vote resulted in:

Aye: Weidmayer, Huehl, Schaible, Haeussler, Alexa Nay: none

CARRIED

Motion by Huehl seconded by Weidmayer to increase the PC Chair salary by \$500.

A roll call vote resulted in:

Aye: Weidmayer, Haeussler, Schaible, Alexa, Huehl Nay: none

CARRIED

Discussion on the recycle bins blowing the recycling across the street in neighboring yards, the township will look at ways to help the situation.

10. Warrants: Moved by Haeussler, seconded by Schaible: To approve warrants. Roll call vote was unanimous.

Aye: Huehl, Alexa, Weidmayer, Haeussler, Schaible Nay: none

CARRIED

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

Jennifer Alexa, Clerk, Freedom Township