

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Draft Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
December 14, 2010, 8:00pm

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

Supervisor Weidmayer called the meeting to order at 8:00PM.  
Members present, Weidmayer: Haeussler, Alexa, Huehl, Schaible

**2. Pledge of Allegiance.**

**3. Approval of Minutes:** Moved by Huehl support by Schaible to:

Approve the November 9, 2010 Township Board minutes with correction. Motion carried by all Ayes. CARRIED

**4. Treasurer's Report:** Moved by Alexa supported by Huehl to: Approve the November, 2010 Treasurers report.

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

**5. Communications:** The Washtenaw County Board of commissioners appointed Ken Schwartz to fill an upcoming vacancy on the county's Road Commission board. The special assessment for the Pleasant lake drain was voted down. Richard Roehm fixed the brick sign in front of the Township hall, the board will revisit this next month to see if he would like payment. A road commission letter was read, regarding the sight distance concern for Bemis road at Ernst road looking north, the letter read that there is not money at this time to flatten the hill crest. The Township board looked over the invoice from the drain commission for the past year. The township will have to submit 941 payments online starting in January 2011.

**7. Reports:**

State Police: There were 127 calls for service in the last year for Freedom Township. The officer did give the board a brief break down of the 127 calls.

Planning Commission report: PC had a public hearing for St. Thomas church for the childcare center. The PC set reclamation bonds for C & T and Stoneco. Two land divisions were tabled due to a survey needed. The PC 2011 meeting schedule was set. A full copy of the PC minutes is available through the clerk's office.

Zoning Inspector: 3 zoning permits, one for a tool shed at 3840 Fletcher, attached garage at 11834 Pleasant Lake and a deck at 3271 Rentz.

Clerks report: Lodi Township has agreed to consolidate and take the 48 Saline voters for Freedom Township for the special election that Saline schools called in February. Chelsea school district is the only school district in Freedom Township that has not moved to a November election.

**8. Unfinished Business:**

The township is taking a fire bill to small claims court. To get an automatic generator for the township hall it would be around \$10,000-\$12,000 to get a manual throw switch it would be around \$1,500 plus the cost of a generator. Board members have decided not to attend the MTA Convention they would rather go to MTA on the road seminars when they are in the local area. Michigan has passed a law starting April 1, 2011 that open burning regulations will eliminate the current open burning exemption that allows the burning of household trash. The township board will send a letter to our new State Representative Mark Ouimet to oppose this new law.

**9. New Business:**

Motion by Huehl seconded by Haeussler to pass a six month resolution to impose a limited moratorium on dispensing marihuana under the Michigan Medical Marihuana Act. Motion carried by all Ayes. CARRIED

Motion by Alexa supported by Schaible to ban the sale of liquor on Sundays from 7am to noon.

Motion carried by all Ayes. CARRIED

Motion by Weidmayer Seconded by Schaible to appoint Carol Huehl to the planning commission till 2013.

Motion carried by all Ayes. CARRIED

Motion by Weidmayer Seconded by Haeussler to appoint Matt Little to the planning commission till 2013.

Motion carried by all Ayes. CARRIED

Motion by Weidmayer supported by Alexa to appoint Lynn Voegeding, Earl Horning and Frank Lobbestael to the Board of Appeals till 2012. Motion carried by all Ayes. CARRIED

Motion by Weidmayer supported by Haeussler to appoint Edward Curley, Gerald Huehl, Ken Siler, for Board of review till 2012. And Kevin Ernst and Steve Bristle as alternates. Motion carried by all Ayes. CARRIED

Motion by Weidmayer supported by Alexa to send Edward Curley, Ken Siler and Gerald Huehl to board of review training workshop in February.

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

Motion by Haeussler to adopt the 2011 meeting schedule the second Tuesday of the month for the board of trustees supported by Schaible. Motion carried by all Ayes. CARRIED

**10. Warrants:** Moved by Huehl supported by Haeussler: To approve warrants 9053-9090.

Roll call vote was unanimous.

Aye: Alexa, Weidmayer, Huehl, Haeussler, Schaible

nay: none

CARRIED

**11. Public Comment:** none.

Adjourned at 10:02 pm.

Jennifer Alexa, Clerk, Freedom Township