

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Draft Minutes of the Regular Meeting
February 8, 2011, 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 Schaible supported by Huehl to:

Approve the January 11, 2010 Township Board minutes. Motion carried by all Ayes.

CARRIED

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

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

CARRIED

5. Communications: Pipeline brochure was put on the Town hall bulletin board for contact numbers. Bemis road bridge the WCRC is considering condemning. The Bauer, JJ Knapp and east branch of Pleasant Lake drain is scheduled for annually maintenance this year. AATA transit is having several area meetings to talk about there master plan. Supervisor Weidmayer will attend the PDR meeting. SWWCOG has discussed the different recycling methods that each township has. BS&A website hits for the townships tax information were read. Property owners next to the Freedom Township cemetery on Waters road are discussing boundary lines. The DNR has signed an order to make feral swine and wild boar an invasive species in Michigan, if the legislature is not passed to regulate the facilities the order will go into effect and make it illegal to posse's wild boar in Michigan.

6. Public Comment: Beth Heuser asks the board to announce in advance when there will be openings for the Planning Commission, so there is transparency.

7. Reports:

Planning Commission report: PC meeting canceled in February due to weather, March 1st will be the next meeting.

A full copy of the PC minutes is available through the clerk's office.

Ordinance enforcement: complaint by a lake resident that there was a ice fishing tournament put on by Pleasant lake inn.

Clerks report: Met with the township risk control representative. Received a bid for a new auditor for the township. Fire billing small claims case was won in court.

8. Unfinished Business:

Ragin Raisin dirt classic changed dates to April 16, 2011. The board talked with the representatives of the race, the majority of the race will take place in Freedom Township. There will be two courses one 36.63 miles and the other 10.12 miles. The website is raginRaisin.com

Alternate for MCJPC was tabled.

Town hall power outage bid was \$6160 for an automatic generator, more discussion will take place.

Auditor bid was tabled. Supervisor Weidmayer will delivery the certificate to Peter DeLoof.

Supervisor Weidmayer will talk with the Township attorney about how to get C&T in compliance.

9. New Business:

The following resolution was offered by Alexa, and seconded by Huehl

Resolution to establish township officer's salaries.

Now therefore it be resolved that as of 4-1-11 the salaries of the township board members are as follows:

Treasurer, \$16,000, Clerk \$16,000, Supervisor, \$15,500 and Trustees \$125.00 per meeting.

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

Motion by Alexa seconded by Haeussler to accept the hardship application to be put on file with the township.

Motion carried by all Ayes.

CARRIED

Moved by Huehl seconded by Haeussler to approve the 2011 poverty guidelines.

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

CARRIED

Motion by Haeussler seconded by Huehl to approve Jennifer Alexa to sit on the Manchester wellness coalition board.

Motion carried by all Ayes.

CARRIED

10. Warrants: Moved by Schaible supported by Huehl: To approve warrants 9110-9126 and the 941 tax withholdings.

Roll call vote was unanimous.

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

CARRIED

11. Public Comment: none. Adjourned at 10:31 pm. Jennifer Alexa, Clerk, Freedom Township