

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Draft Minutes of the Regular Meeting
November 11th, 2014 8:00 pm

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Supervisor Weidmayer called the meeting to order at 8:02 pm
Members present: Weidmayer, Bristle, Layher, Huehl, Schaible

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Change to Agenda:

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

Approve the October 14, 2014 Township Board minutes. Motion carried with all Ayes. CARRIED

4. Treasurer's Report: Moved by Huehl supported by Bristle to: Approve October 14, 2014 Treasurers report.

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

5. Communications: Enbridge newsletter regarding wrap up of the pipeline. October sheriff report had 18 calls, 6 handled by state police, 9 by the sheriff's office and 3 were cleared. Dec 11 in Okemos there is an introduction to Transportation Asset Management. Tom Pigott has said he is working on a permit and talking with the Kueblers regarding the gravel pit. C&T gravel pit and Midwest bank still has unpaid invoices the township is corresponding with them regarding payment.

6. Public Comment:

7. Reports:

Planning Commission report: At the meeting last Thursday they reviewed the Masterplan since it has been 5 years. Rodney will get out notifications. Larry received the inspection of the gravel pits from OHM and felt the inspection at Levy was too high so he has ask the board to hold that invoice till we receive further details on the billing from OHMA full copy of the PC minutes is available through the clerk's office.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer: Alvin reported a noise complaint at 11400 Waters Rd and asked them to keep the noise down. 9715 Ellsworth Rd has a car sitting and the owner said he will take care of it.

Zoning Officer: Jim had no new zoning but received many calls.

Library-

Clerk report: The general election was a success with 134 absentee ballots and 624 at the polls resulting in 758 votes which was a 62% turnout rate. Clerk received a new Verizon hotspot device to connect to the internet the old equipment was outdated and not working properly.

9. Unfinished Business:

Road Millage- Discussion no action

Planning Commission Lake District Zoning Maps- Motion by Huehl and supported by Layher to make a new zoning ordinance #44 Public/Semi-Public Services (PSP) District and Pleasant Lake Area Amendments, an ordinance to amend the official zoning map of Freedom Township.

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

Motion by Huehl and supported by Bristle to adopt ordinance #44 Public/Semi-Public Services (PSP) District and Pleasant Lake Area Amendments.

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

ET Rover Pipeline- Tim Aben a liaison for ET Rover was present to direct any communication between the pipeline and local units of government. The township and residents are encouraged to leave comments on the FERC website as it is record showing our opposition of the pipeline. Comments can be received until January 1 and then FERC has

till November 2015 to make their decision. The board is working on a resolution opposing the proposed pipeline and will have a resolution at the December meeting.

10. New Business:

Appointments- Motion by Weidmayer and supported by Schaible to appoint Sarah Heuser as our Manchester District Library Delegate. Motion carried with all Ayes. CARRIED

Motion by Weidmayer and supported by Huehl to appoint Jeff Weidmayer for 2 yr term for Zoning Board of Appeals. Motion carried with all Ayes. CARRIED

Snow Plow Bids- Luke Schaible will no longer be plowing the township parking lot. Motion by Weidmayer supported by Layher to have John Englebert plow the snow at the townhall parking.

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

11. Warrants: Motion by Weidmayer supported by Huehl: To approve the online payments for the 941 tax withholding and warrants 10146, 3001-3029 and VOIDS 3027,3028.

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

12. Public Comment:

Adjourned at 9:53 pm

Valisa Bristle, Clerk, Freedom Township