

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
APPROVED Minutes of the Regular Meeting
April 10th, 2018 8:00 pm

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Supervisor Weidmayer called the meeting to order at 8:00pm

Members present: Weidmayer, Bristle, Layher, Schaible, Huehl

14 were present in the audience.

2. Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Change to Agenda:

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

Approved the March 13, 2018 Township Board minutes.

Motion carried with all Ayes. CARRIED

5. Treasurer's Report: Moved by Bristle supported by Schaible to: Approve March 13, 2018 Treasurers report.

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

CARRIED

Rudy introduced his new deputy treasurer Victoria St. Charles.

6. Communications: Feb. Sherriff's report had 12 calls-7 handled by the state police, 1 by the sheriff's office and 4 were cleared. Mar. Sherriff's report had 32 calls-11 state, 12 sheriffs, 9 cleared. MTA magazine was received.

7. Public Comment: Beth Heuser asked to ask questions during the planning commission report. Lon Nordeen thanked those from the board who attended the PLPOA meeting on April 8th

8. Reports:

Planning Commission report: Larry reported that at last week's meeting Mike Bossory's site plan was reviewed and a preliminary approval was granted but there are some changes that need to be made and some things clarified.

Consumers Energy was not present so Larry will reach out to them regarding their paperwork. PC reviewed conditional use permits issued and found some violations with the Kuebler Pit's permit. Next they will look at DuRussel's permit. A full copy of the PC minutes is available through the clerk's office.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer: Alvin is contacting those in the township with vehicles that need to be moved.

Zoning Inspector- Jim reported one zoning for an addition at 4960 Lima Center road.

Library- report submitted that at the April meeting a proposed 2018-2019 budget was presented. There will be a new drop box for books at Fredonia's and a movie will be played at the library on April 22nd.

Clerk report: Old township website is now linked with the new one. All clerks have election training this week with the county. Next election will be in August.

9. Unfinished Business:

PDR- Nothing to report.

Civil Infraction Ordinance- Supervisor would like to take a sample ordinance to the attorney. Tabled till next month.

10. New Business:

Medical Marihuana/Lori Fredericks- Lori has commercial property within the township and would like the township to consider opting-in to allow Medical Marihuana Facilities as she has an interest in opening a dispensary. A few of the questions that were asked regarded licensing procedure, hours of operation, security, taxes collected and police monitoring. Legalization of recreational marihuana will be on the Nov. ballot. Discussion will continue with more information being collected.

Emergency Action Plan- Matt Little gave an update on the progress he has made and presented the board with a draft copy of an emergency action plan for Freedom Township. He will meet with the Washtenaw County Emergency action team for input/suggestions. Some of the things to consider are a back up building should something happen to the town hall, generator for the town hall and adding a line item to the budget for emergency needs. He would like to have a community forum in 3-4 months.

Lawn Mowing Bids- Motion by Huehl supported by Layher to have ER Lawn Service mow the town hall lawn for 2018

for \$40.00 per mow and Fletcher rd cemetery 8 times at \$60 per mow.

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

Road Commission Agreement- Discussion on 2 applications vs. 3 applications of brine for dust control and preserving the quality of the gravel roads. We will stick with the 2 applications and add more gravel this year.

Motion by Schaible supported by Layher to approve the Washtenaw County Road Commission to draft the final contract for two brines for dust control, gravel and use of matching dollars.

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

Kuebler Pit- Conditional use Permit was reviewed by the planning commission and they found several violations and would like to contact the township attorney for advice on how to proceed. Motion by Huehl, and supported by Schaible to investigate the violations with the conditional use permit for the Kuebler pit.

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

TR Transport- Consent Judgment stated that Troy Busha needed to move his business by Mar. 1st, 2018, currently his assets are frozen. Supervisor has spoken with legal counsel and we can offer an extension to Sept. 30th, 2018 with a fee of \$100/day collected if the business is not out.

Motion by Schaible, and supported by Huehl to approve the first amendment to the consent judgment.

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

11. Warrants: Motion by Schaible supported by Huehl: To approve the online payments for the 941 tax withholding and warrants 3932-3954.

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

12. Public Comment: none

Adjourned at 10:24 pm

Valisa L. Bristle, Clerk, Freedom Township