

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
APPROVED Minutes of the Regular Meeting
June 11th, 2019 8:00 pm

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

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

Members present: Weidmayer, Bristle, Layher, Huehl, Schaible absent: none 6 were present in the audience.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Change to Agenda: Moved by Bristle supported by Huehl to add PA 116 applications to new business.

Motion carried with all Ayes. CARRIED

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

Approve the May 14, 2019 Township Board minutes with corrections. Motion carried with all Ayes. CARRIED

5. Treasurer's Report: Moved by Bristle supported by Schaible to: Approve May 14, 2019 Treasurers report.

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

6. Communications: MTA magazine was received. There will be a PDR millage toolkit workshop on Jun. 17th in Ann Arbor. A ZBA application was received and is being scheduled. The next Washtenaw County Recycle Clean-Up day will be in Saline date/location TBT. Consumers Energy should install the new gas line for the back-up generator at the town hall between June 18-20. It is time to have Bollinger Sanitation pump the septic tank at the town hall.

Motion by Weidmayer supported by Layher to pay Washtenaw County \$500 for the County Clean-up Day in Saline.

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

Motion by Layher supported by Huehl to have Bollinger Sanitation pump the septic tank at the town hall, inspect it and if it is in good condition install a riser.

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

7. Public Comment: Beth Heuser will put the tri-fold sign out front this weekend to remind lake residents that the Pleasant Lake weed treatment application will be applied on Monday, June 17th, weather permitting. There is no swimming or boating for 2 days after the treatment. Beth and Helen Parker will put out the sign to remind residents of the recycle day in Saline in Sept. Beth asked about when the brine will be applied to Hieber Road. Supervisor Weidmayer will speak with the foreman at the Manchester road commission facility to coordinate that. A lot depends on equipment availability and weather. Amy Pyle shared the work that she and her husband have been doing at 10722 Bethel Church Rd. They have planted a flower farm and are continuing to clean up the property.

8. Reports:

Planning Commission report: Larry reported that the Stoneco extraction renewal permit for the Esch Rd pit was approved with information from 2012. This pit has never been mined and if something changes they will need to turn in updates 6 months prior to any work being conducted. The Burmeister pit paperwork is not completed yet and Pleasant Hills Pit #9 is working with DEQ and hopes to have their paperwork completed by the end of the summer. Wolverine Pipeline submitted a site plan but it was not received in time to be reviewed so it will go on the agenda for July. The state of Michigan is really pushing for more solar energy uses. The August P.C. meeting will be moved due to the election held that day. A full copy of the PC minutes is available from clerk.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer:

Zoning Inspector- Jim reported 3 zoning for the month of May. An addition to a home at 9550 Ellsworth Rd, a new address at 11608 Bethel Church Rd, and a solar array at 9221 Waters Rd.

Library- none

Clerk report: A FOIA was received regarding Michigan Paving and Materials annual reports and extraction permits. The next election will be August 6th, 2019 with a township wide Washtenaw Intermediate School District Bond proposal. A letter was received from a resident asking for a fire run to be waived. The board felt there was not a valid reason given to waive the fee. An updated agreement between the township and the American Red Cross to use the town hall as an emergency shelter was received. The board will review it and vote on it at next month's meeting. The

township has received a donation from Stoneco to put towards the new back-up generator for the town hall and \$5,000 from Enbridge pipeline to put towards the project.

9. Unfinished Business:

Ordinance Amendment 32-B Extraction Ordinance- Motion by Huehl supported by Bristle: To adopt the Extraction Ordinance 32-B.

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

Cemetery Ordinance- The agreement has been signed turning the Freedom Emanuel Evangelical Memorial Cemetery over to Freedom Township. The board will be researching the type of account to put the money into, sexton salary, burial costs and reviewing the cemetery ordinance.

Voting Booths- Motion by Layher supported by Bristle: To purchase two voters's choice X4 voting booths.

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

10. New Business:

Fire Contract- Tabled since there was no representative present or contract received for Fire Rescue Protection with the Manchester Fire Department.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer- Motion by Weidmayer supported by Bristle: To appoint Austin Helber as the new Ordinance Enforcement Officer for Freedom Township.

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

PA 116 - Motion by Schaible supported by Bristle to approve Lindsay and Kevin Champion's application to put property in the Farmland and Open Space Preservation Program PA 116.

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

PA 116 - Motion by Weidmayer supported by Huehl to approve Steve Bristle's application to put property in the Farmland and Open Space Preservation Program PA 116.

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

11. Warrants: Motion by Schaible supported by Huehl: To approve the online payments for the 941 tax withholding and warrants 4241-4264 adding Jeannie Gilbert \$420.00 for cemetery mowing.

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

12. Public Comment:

Adjourned at 10:27 pm

Valisa L. Bristle, Clerk, Freedom Township