

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Freedom Township Board of Trustees

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-221-3338 FORM NO. 10148

Held July 10,

20 2024

The Board of Trustees of Freedom Township met on the above date. Trustees, David Bruning, Richard Rahe and Kent Schuerman were present. Also present were Fiscal Officer, Julie Getz, Fire Chief, Duane Martin and Road Superintendent, Robert Rentz. Also present was: Webster Township Trustee, Mark Bushman.

Chairman, David Bruning called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M.

Mr. Rahe moved to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2024 meeting, seconded by Mr. Schuerman, all yes, motion carried.

Bills and Payroll were presented. A motion to accept the bills and payroll was made by Mr. Rahe, seconded by Mr. Schuerman, all yes, motion carried.

Receipts were presented. A motion to accept the receipts was made by Mr. Rahe, seconded by Mr. Schuerman, all yes, motion carried.

FUND REPORTS – Fund reports were presented, reviewed and approved.

GUEST – Mark Bushman asked if the township had an amount that would be owed to Freedom Township for Webster Township's portion of the Swan Road portion of the resurface project. The trustees indicated that it would be approximately \$50,000.00 but not really sure at this point.

Julie presented the Gerken Paving, Inc. contract for the Swan/Zeppernick Roads resurface project for countersignatures. Trustee Rahe moved to sign the contract. Trustee Schuerman seconded the motion,

*Roll Call: Kent Schuerman Yes; Richard Rahe Yes; David Bruning Yes
Motion Carried.*

Trustee Rahe asked Trustee Bushman about the Webster Township Salt Building. The board discussed the matter further.

ROADS – Old Business – TRACTOR LOADER – Mr. Rentz reported that he had to use Trustee Schuerman's tractor a couple of times since he couldn't get the loader back on the tractor. However, the loader is now attached. Trustee Schuerman will contact Attorney, Joyce Nowak, about helping to resolve the issue.

MAINTENANCE AREA FLOOR REPAIR – Mr. Rentz reported that the maintenance area floor repair is now complete. RLI sealed the new portion of concrete.

FIRE – Old Business – FIRE STATION ROOF – Chief Martin reported that the roof will be completed by the end of the day.

TANKER – The new parts ordered from W.S. Darley are in.

CAD (Computer Aided Dispatch) – Chief Martin reported that the CAD agreement has been signed. Also, Lucas County will no longer have med. Channel dispatching. There is an agreement with Lucas County to dispatch to hospitals. They can still use med. Radios for the month of July. However, they are planning to change channels on the radios. P & R Communications has agreed to reprogram the radios by the hour instead of by the radio. That should save the township money. They will do 5 portable radios and 3 mobiles. The cost will be between \$550.00 - \$600.00. The board approved.

New Business - PERSONNEL – Chief Martin reported that Lexi Kruse passed her paramedic test and is now listed on the roster as paramedic with paramedic pay. Also, Greg Keiser and Pizzaro Gonzalo will no longer be on the P.F.F.D. roster due to change in status and address.

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POINT SYSTEM – Chief Martin requested that the point system be changed to 5 hour shifts for supplemental on-call responders. That would be a change from a 7.5 hour shift to a 5 hour shift. *Trustee Rahe moved to change the point system to include 5 hour shifts for supplemental on-call pay instead of 7.5 hour shifts. Trustee Schuerman seconded the motion,*

*Roll Call: Kent Schuerman Yes; Richard Rahe Yes; David Bruning Yes
Motion Carried.*

CEMETERY – **New Business** - Ms. Getz spoke to Cherie Runnels at the Pemberville Public Library regarding this year's cemetery walk to be held at Eisenhower Cemetery on October 12, 2024. They will not be parking at the cemetery but will be bused from another location to the cemetery. Cherie requested that they be allowed to put flags in place around the cemetery when they do their practice walk through on Sunday, October 6th and leave them in place for the week until the 12th. Mr. Rentz agreed. *Trustee Schuerman moved to allow the Pemberville Public Library to hold their annual cemetery walk at Eisenhower Cemetery on Saturday, October 12, 2024 beginning at 4:55 P.M. and ending after dark when the last visitors leave, not to go beyond midnight. Trustee Rahe seconded the motion,*

*Roll Call: Kent Schuerman Yes; Richard Rahe Yes; David Bruning Yes
Motion Carried.*

DISINTURMENT – Mr. Rentz reported that he was contacted by an individual who may want to move a woman's body from 1 plot in Fish Cemetery to another plot in Fish Cemetery. There are several issues involved in the original burial that need to be figured out. He has contacted Joyce Nowak to get information on what the process is for this endeavor. She sent an email to Julie with the ORC requirements and procedures. Julie forwarded it on to the individual who will get back to him if he wants to proceed.

GENERAL OLD BUSINESS – WATER/BRIDGE STREET PROPERTY – Kent reported that the survey was delivered to Ryan Crum at the Engineer's office for approval. When the survey is approved it will be forwarded to Village Solicitor, Robert Kuhlman, to proceed with the transfer of the property.

GENERAL NEW BUSINESS – ESTIMATED RESOURCES - Mrs. Getz presented a financial worksheet showing the calculations for the 2025 estimated resources. After review, *Trustee Schuerman moved to approve the estimated resources as presented from the 2025 Estimated Resources financial worksheet. Trustee Rahe seconded the motion,*

*Roll Call: Kent Schuerman Yes; Richard Rahe Yes; David Bruning Yes
Motion Carried.*

WOOD COUNTY FAIR – Julie presented the Wood County Fair schedule for the Wood County Township Association shelter. The board acknowledged.

MISCELLANEOUS – Julie reported that the Ohio Township Association alerted the townships that they need to have an Electronic Bill Pay policy in place at the beginning of each year allowing the fiscal officer to pay bills through ACH. ALSO, Julie reported that the township's medical insurance, Anthem, contacted her about the size of the group for the township. They believe that the group is over 50 members which would put the township in the large group category. She will provide information to Anthem and report on any changes. ALSO, Julie shared a communication from the Wood County Commissioner's office regarding the One Ohio Opioid Region 17 Member appointment which was Ted Bowlus. Also, there is another opioid settlement application. Julie reported that the township does not receive any of the proceeds. The board decided not to participate. ALSO, Julie shared the Village of Pemberville Water Quality Report.

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There being no further business coming before the board, Trustee Bruning adjourned the meeting until Wednesday, July 24, 2024 at 7:30 P.M.



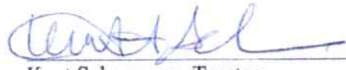
David Bruning, Chairman



Fiscal Officer



Richard Rahe, Vice Chairman



Kent Schuerman, Trustee