

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Freedom Township Board of Trustees

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

Held April 28, \_\_\_\_\_ 2021

The Board of Trustees of Freedom Township met on the above date. Mr. Bruning called the meeting to order. Trustees David Bruning, Kent Schuerman and Richard Rahe were present along with, Fiscal Officer, Julie Getz, Fire Chief, Duane Martin, Road Superintendent, Bob Rentz, Ron Golightley, Marissa Benschoter-Euler and Joe Hirzel.

Motions made by David Bruning were due to Mr. Rahe's late arrival.

Mr. Bruning moved to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2021 meeting, seconded by Mr. Schuerman, motion carried.

Bills and Payroll were presented and a motion to accept as presented was made by Mr. Schuerman, seconded by Mr. Bruning, motion carried.

Receipts were presented and reviewed. A motion was made by Mr. Schuerman to accept the Receipts as presented and Mr. Bruning seconded the motion, motion carried.

**FUND REPORTS** – Fund reports were presented and reviewed.

**ROADS** – Kent reported that a road tile along Elmore Road is not draining properly. After inspection, Mr. Schuerman contacted Gearhart Plumbing & Heating, Inc. to go out and address the problem. They found that the 8" tile that drains into the ditch is full of tree roots so they cleared the tile.

**CEMETERY** - The Trustees along with Bob Rentz conducted interviews of the applicants for summer help. After discussion *Mr. Rahe moved to hire Jakob Jared for the position at a rate of \$12.00 per hour. Mr. Schuerman seconded the motion, all yes, motion carried.*

**FIRE** – Chief Martin reported that the 13 sets of Turn-Out Gear arrived. He also presented information about the Lighthouse Group. Troy Township Fire Department employees participate in the group coverage. The insurance provides coverage for emotional support/counseling. Duane will consult with the officers to get some feedback.

Chief would like to apply for a \$15,000.00 Grant to purchase an Extractor Machine (washing machine for Turn-Out Gear).

Duane proposed that the On-Call timeslots be open to employees with Intermediate and Basic training in order to make sure we have coverage.

*Mr. Rahe moved to enter Executive Session to consider dismissal of a Fire Department employee. Mr. Schuerman seconded the motion, all yes, motion carried.*

*Mr. Rahe moved to come out of Executive Session and resume the regular meeting. Mr. Schuerman seconded the motion, all yes, motion carried.*

**GUESTS** – Marissa Benschoter-Euler presented the Ohio Plan Insurance Policy renewal for approval. After extensive review of the proposed policy *Mr. Rahe moved to accept the quote from Ohio Plan as presented with a rate of \$19,065.00 for coverage from May 1, 2021 through April 30, 2022. Mr. Schuerman seconded the motion, all yes, motion carried.*

Mr. Hirzel discussed the Maintenance Building with the Board. On May 5<sup>th</sup>, the Citizen Building Committee will meet with the contractors individually to provide information on the specifics of the project.

Mr. Golightley discussed the upcoming newsletter and requested articles from the Trustees

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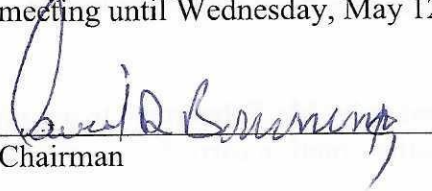
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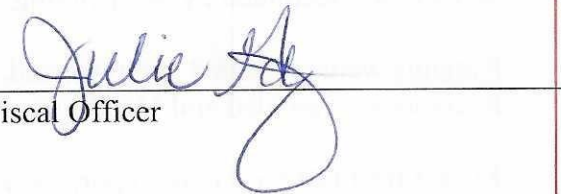
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and Fiscal Officer. *Mr. Schuerman moved to hire Ronald Golightley to set up the newsletter for \$150.00 for setup and \$20 per hour thereafter for future newsletters. Mr. Rahe seconded the motion, all yes, motion carried.*

**OLD BUSINESS** – Julie Price submitted a proposal to set up and maintain a website. After review by the Trustees, *Mr. Rahe moved to hire Price Design Web Services to create and maintain a website for Freedom Township according to the quote/proposal submitted. Mr. Schuerman seconded the motion, all yes, motion carried.*

There being no further business coming before the board, Mr. Bruning adjourned the meeting until Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 8:00 A.M.

  
Chairman

  
Fiscal Officer