

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Freedom Township Board of Trustees

Meeting

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

Held November 10, 20 2021

The Board of Trustees of Freedom Township met on the above date. Mr. Schuerman called the meeting to order. Trustees Kent Schuerman and Rick Rahe were present. Trustee David Bruning was absent. Also present were Fiscal Officer, Julie Getz, Fire Chief, Duane Martin, Road Superintendent, Robert Rent and guest, Mykel Jahna.

Mr. Schuerman moved to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2021 meeting, seconded by Mr. Rahe, all yes, motion carried.

Bills and Payroll were presented and *a motion to accept as presented was made by Mr. Rahe, seconded by Mr. Schuerman, all yes, motion carried.*

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

FUND REPORTS – Fund reports were presented and reviewed.

FIRE – The Pemberville-Freedom Fire Department Association applied for a grant from Ag Credit and was awarded the grant in the amount of approximately \$15,000.00 with the stipulation that the money will be used to fight wildfires. Therefore, the Association plans to purchase a skid unit to be used on a Brush Fire Rescue Vehicle. Therefore, Chief Martin submitted a quote for a 2022 Ford F-550 XL 4x4 Crew Cab Chassis Cab 60CA to be used for the skid unit and to pull the trailer. Additional features include a 9-foot Knapheide Aluminum Flatbed, Diesel and lights would make the total cost of the truck approximately \$75,000.00. Duane explained that the truck will need to be ordered by Thursday, November 11, 2021 to get that price with the delivery in March or April 2022. Guest, Mykel Jahna, provided further information about the truck and the quote. The Board discussed upcoming expenditures including Air Bottles, roof on the fire station, new fire engine, turn-out gear, etc. The Board determined that a decision could not be made at the meeting and requested that Mr. Juana provide more information on the grant uses and deadline for spending the grant money.

The ladder truck had a slit in one of the tires so the two front tires on the engine were replaced. They kept the one good tire for a spare.

ZONING – Kent Schuerman is aware of a couple of zoning issues that need to be address. The Trustees will table the discussion until Zoning Inspector, Dan Kemner, is present.

MAINTENANCE BUILDING – Scott J. Heacock, Architect, withdrew from the maintenance building project. *Trustee Rahe moved to accept the letter of withdraw from Scott J. Heacock, Architect, and begin negotiations with the second ranked Architect/Engineer, WDC Group. Trustee Schuerman seconded the motion, all yes, motion carried.*

Steve Darmathol will be designing the new water and sewer project for the Village of Pemberville which will be extending along the front of the maintenance building property (525 East Front Street). He contacted Trustee Rahe to find out if the Township is planning to install a fire suppression system. Rick said they should design the new water and sewer to accommodate the system.

COMMUNICATIONS – Ms. Getz shared an email from OBM regarding some upcoming conferences and trainings, funding opportunities, and the DUNS number change to ID number. Also, the Ohio Township Association Annual Conference is to take place on January 26 to January 29, 2022. The Trustees asked that Julie book rooms for each member at the Hyatt Regency.

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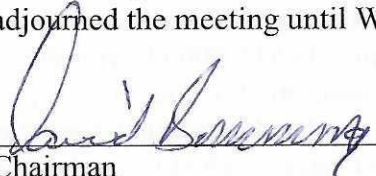
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OLD BUSINESS –Trustee Rahe looked into a resident’s complaint about noxious weeds on Holcomb Road. He has identified those property owners and passed the information along to Trustee Schuerman who will contact the Extension Office in Bowling Green to send out letters to the landowners.

NEW BUSINESS –Amplex representative, Kathy Baugher, contacted Dan Kemner regarding a permit to run fiber optic cable down Bradner Road from St. Rt. 105 to Elmore Road on the utility poles. Julie and Rick will take care of getting them the proper permit. They will also be running the cable along the Township property located at 525 E. Front Street in the right-of-way of the railroad so no permit is required.

Trustees Richard C. Rahe and David R. Bruning were re-elected to the Board of Township Trustees for another term of 4 years.

There being no further business coming before the board, Trustee Kent Schuerman adjourned the meeting until Wednesday, November 24, 2021 at 8:00 A.M.


Chairman


Fiscal Officer