

**Fredonia Township Board Regular Meeting
May 15, 2023 6:30 PM
Fredonia Township Hall
8803 17 Mile Rd, Marshall, MI 49068**

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS present: Doug Damon, Supervisor Cathy Combs, Clerk JC Skowron, Treasurer Kyler Speaker, Trustee Terry Day, Trustee

STAFF present: Phil Damon, Fire Chief Jacob Washburn, Deputy Supervisor/FD Training Officer Dan Livingston Sr., Calhoun County Planning Commission George Crandall, Twp. Planning Committee Terry Travis, Code Enforcement Officer

PLEDGE OF ALLIGENCE:

Guests: None

AGENDA – Additions/Deletions: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA: None

CORRESPONDENCE: Received a letter from CareWell Services Southwest advising of administering programs that help older adults, caregivers and individuals with disabilities aged 18 and over. Residents are encouraged to contact 269-966-2450 for additional information.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MONTH: April 17, 2023

Terry made a motion and JC supported to approve the April 17, 2023 minutes as printed. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVED AS READ

FINANCIAL REPORT-

JC provided Revenue and Expenditure report with % of budget used as of 4/30/23 and discussed that the board review the line items that are close to exceeding the budget.

FILE FOR AUDIT

READING OF THE BILLS by Cathy Combs

Bill listing presented and reviewed by board as of 4/27/23 totaling \$40,194.65. JC made a motion and Kyler supported to accept bill listing as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVED AS READ

REPORTS:

Fire Department: Phil provided a report stating there were 6 fire and 10 medical calls for the month of April, 2023. Captain Charlie Fisher conducted the fire department training exercise on down electrical wires. The fire department also participated in a control field burn in Eckford Township. Continuing education training was held dealing with Hypothermia patients, due to possible water rescue or cold weather exposure. Tires have been replaced on Engine 8 truck and three of the trucks have been serviced, the last truck will be done on this Tuesday. Golf outing will be held at the Marshall Country Club on June 24, 2023. Meeting held at the Marshall City Fire Department regarding EV Battery plant.

REPORTS CON'T:

Ambulance: Next meeting will be held on May 18, 2023

Cemetery: Sexton Cathy reported 1 burial and discussed an ordinance used by other townships in regard to removing items that have not been removed. Cathy will obtain the ordinance as an example and provide to the board.

Roads: The road committee met on 5/8 and will meet again on August 1, 2023

Zoning/Ordinance: None

Code Enforcement: Terry reported working on a couple of complaints within the township.

Planning Commission: The next meeting will be on June 12, 2023. There will be a public hearing on the same night to discuss zoning change on principal residence.

OLD BUSINESS:

***ARPA Funds:** Board discussed the following:

Parking Lot – Reviewed the asphalt repaving vs. resurfacing from 3 local businesses. The estimates range from resurfacing to milling down 2” to repaving the whole parking lot. Asphalt Solution had the lowest bid to repave of \$162,052. Kyler made a motion and Cathy supported to accept the bid from Asphalt Solutions. Discussion took place on warranty, the need to resurface on a regular basis if repaving, the time it will take to have cracks reappear. Terry made a motion and JC supported to table to 1st motion and have Asphalt Solutions attend next meeting to further explain the different options. Motion carried unanimously.

Flooring Kitchen and Hall: Reviewed 2 estimates provided and will table until decision regarding the asphalt is complete.

Doors/Handicap button: Doors Unlimited provided an estimate to install windows in existing double doors and repair bottom of the doors \$1800; Estimate provided to install a handicap post and 2 buttons on the east side of the building in the amount of \$7,766. Terry made a motion and JC supported to accept the bids as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairs: To replace the hall chairs they are \$29.99 for vinyl and \$40 for cloth. This will be tabled to find a company in Michigan to provide a quote.

***ORV Usage on Roadways:** Doug spoke to Jim Dyer and the County did pass ordinance to allow ORV Usage on local roads not State roads. As long as the township is not excluding any roads in the township then there is nothing additional needed from the township.

NEW BUSINESS:

***PAR Plan:** Doug reported that each year the Par Plan provides a safety grant that is due August 1, 2023 and funds to be used for safety. Would like board to review and submit for possible bullet proof glass in office.

***CDs:** JC reported that the 3 CDs with Marshall Community Credit Union was to automatic renewal and determined that Southern MI Bank & Trust had better interest rates and is extremely satisfied with their customer service. JC made a motion and Terry supported to move the 3 CDs to Southern Michigan Bank & Trust. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: None

Board Comment: Question regarding businesses asking for tax roll information and a fee – more information to be obtained by MTA

Supervisor Doug Damon adjourned the meeting at 8:10 PM

Minutes prepared by Cathy Combs

Cathy Combs, Township Clerk _____

Date: 5/15/2023

Doug Damon, Township Supervisor _____

Date: