

**Fredonia Township Board Regular Meeting  
November 15, 2021 6:30 PM  
Fredonia Township Hall  
8803 17 Mile Rd, Marshall, MI 49068**

**MINUTES**

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**BOARD MEMBERS** present:  Doug Damon, Supervisor  Cathy Combs, Clerk  JC Skowron, Treasurer  Ken Huestis, 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

**PLEDGE OF ALLIGENCE:**

Jen Bomba, Director, C.C. Community Development discussed how the county would be able to assist in providing support with the replacement of Zoning Administrator and in some capacity of the Code Enforcement Officer. Currently, they support Pennfield and Lee and would be able to provide an agreement that fit our needs.

**AGENDA – Additions/Deletions:** Resignation – Roger Smith, Assessor; Fire Hose Replacement

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**PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:** None

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**CORRESPONDENCE:** Roger Smith provided letter of Resignation

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**MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MONTH:**

Motion made by Ken and supported by Terry to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2021.

**APPROVED AS READ**

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**FINANCIAL REPORT-**

Treasurer JC Skowron provided financial report for board review.

**FILE FOR AUDIT**

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**READING OF THE BILLS** by **Cathy Combs**

Bill listing presented and reviewed by board totaling \$11,010.66. The bill from Accident Fund is lower than last year, \$5566. Motion made by Terry and supported by Ken to approve bills as presented.

**APPROVED AS READ**

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**REPORTS:**

**Fire Department:** Phil reported 9 fire calls and 16 medical calls for the month of October. The fire training for the month of October included: drafting water and checks on all the fire trucks. Annual hose and ladder testing has been completed. Seventeen lengths of hose did not pass test and will need replacing. All ladders on the trucks did pass inspection. Several firefighters participated in Lyon Lake’s Methodist Church Trunk and Treat.

**Ambulance:** Discussion regarding # of calls and rewarding current staff by providing increases in their pay.

**Road:** Meeting held on November 9 to discuss the striping of lines on Lyon Lake Road. This will be completed in the spring of 2022. Also, there will be review at next meeting to discuss chip and seal on Division/16 Mile.

**Cemetery:** Doug reported 1 burial at Lyon Lake and 4 lots sold.

**Zoning/Ordinance:** None

**Fredonia Planning Commission:** Meeting held last week to review Master Plan and another will be held in December. The plan is to have this implemented in spring of 2022.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**\*Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer:** Discussion held with extending an offer to Robert Hawley vs. County at this time. Robert would assist as a zoning and planning consultant. Provide assistance with zoning questions as an hourly employee. Ken moved and supported by JC to hire Robert as an at will employee as a zoning and planning consultant. An agreement will be presented to Robert. Motion carried unanimously.

**\*Sale of Fire Truck:** Phil reached out to Marshall City and their contact would advertise the truck \$30,000 and charge 5-7% commission. Contact made to CSI and they stated Burt Township, Grand Marais, and MI is looking for a fire truck. Discussions were held and they provided a bid of \$37,500 to Fredonia. JC moved and supported by Terry to accept Burt Townships bid of \$37,500 for the 1997 Freightliner FL112 Fire Truck. Motion carried unanimously.

**\*Snow plowing/shoveling:** Terry advised that 3 bids provided, met with Ken to discuss and decision to accept bid from Dustin Maurer for Township/Fire Department parking lots \$70 per hour. Also, accepting bid from Teresa Washburn \$25 – shoveling sidewalks at Township/Fire Department and \$50 to plow Fire Sub Station #2/each occurrence. JC moved and Cathy supported to accept the committee’s recommendation above. Motion carried unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**\*Resignation of Roger Smith:** Board discussed resignation and will reach out to surrounding townships and seek replacement of assessor. Board reluctantly accepted Roger’s resignation and thanked him for his years of service.

**\*Fire Hose:** Phil requested approval to replace 16 units of hose to reinstate fire truck to a Class "A" truck. \$305 per unit and will be paid out of the Equipment millage fund. Cathy made motion and supported by Terry to approve \$4,880 to replace 16 units of fire hose so truck will be in compliant. Funds will be dispersed from Equipment millage fund. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment:** None

**Board Comment:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Lyon Lake sign has been installed; West door will be repaired as soon as bid received.

**Supervisor Doug Damon adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM**

Minutes prepared by Cathy Combs

**Cathy Combs, Township Clerk** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** 11/16/2021

**Doug Damon, Township Supervisor** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:**