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Freedom Township Board of Trustees

Meeting

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

March 24,

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 and Fire Chief, Duane Martin.

Mr. Rahe moved to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2021 meeting, seconded by Mr. Schuerman, all yes, motion carried.

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

<u>Receipts</u> 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.

<u>Appropriation Supplemental Report</u> was presented and reviewed and Mr. Rahe moved to accept the report as presented, Mr. Schuerman seconded the motion, all yes, motion carried.

FUND REPORTS – Fund reports were presented and reviewed.

ROADS – The Board reviewed the road work estimates from Morlock Asphalt, Ltd., GT Contracting, LLC and the Wood County Engineer.

Mr. Rahe made a motion to hire Morlock Asphalt, Ltd. to Crack Seal proposed sections of Elmore Road (from Bierley Ave. to St. Rt. 23), Bradner Road (from Eisenhour Rd. to Elmore Rd.) and Caskie Road (from Holcomb Rd. to St. Rt. 6), at a cost of \$8,270.00. Mr. Schuerman seconded the motion, all yes, motion carried.

Mr. Rahe then made a motion to hire Wood County to Chip Seal said sections of Elmore Road, Bradner Road and Caskie Road at a cost of \$71,354.38. Mr. Schuerman seconded the motion, all yes, motion carried.

CEMETERY – Only 3 applications for summer help have been submitted. Julie will put an ad in the Suburban Press with a deadline of Friday, April 2.

FIRE – Serenity Farms agreed to provide portable restrooms for the May 8th Run/Walk fundraiser.

Charlene Phillips asked to use the Fire Station for a family Easter celebration. She has used the station in the past. The Trustees agreed to allow her to use the space again this year.

Chief Martin reported that the Squad rotation is back in effect.

Chief Martin and the Trustees agreed to provide automatic fire and EMS aid to Center Township.

Julie reported that the Webster Township Fire and EMS contract for a 3-year term has been counter signed by the Webster Township Trustees and approved by the Wood County Prosecutor, Paul Dobson. Julie will send a bill to Webster Township.

Regarding the MARCS Radios, Chief Martin reported that the HB155 user fees may be discontinued. He also reported that Chad Dix and Mike Vajen have personally purchased their own MARCS Radios and will need the Township to add their radios to the service provider fees. There are currently approximately 26 Radios.

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Duane Martin reported that the Pemberville-Freedom Fire Department Association has applied for a \$17,000.00 Fire Grant to pay for a Skid Unit.

Regarding employees, Hannah Schnitker will be considered an inactive member of the fire department. Also, Todd Walters has retired as of March 3.

COMMUNICATIONS – The Wood County Board of Elections sent a letter explaining that any questions or issues to be presented to the board can now be submitted electronically.

Ron Golightley asked about drafting a newsletter. The Trustees agreed to speak with Mr. Golightley at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS – Mr. Schuerman reported that he spoke to the Wood County Treasurer regarding the bonds to be issued for the new Maintenance Building. She indicated that the current rate is still 2.5% but that she will re-evaluate the interest rate in 5 years. The Trustees continued discussion on the maintenance building details, cost of the project and process of Design-Build construction.

NEW BUSINESS – The Board discussed the final appropriations for 2021. Mr. Schuerman moved to approve the final appropriations as discussed. Mr. Rahe seconded the motion, Roll was called:

David R. Bruning <u>YES</u> Motion Carried Kent A. Schuerman YES

Richard C. Rahe YES

There being no further business coming before the board, Mr. Bruning adjourned the meeting until Wednesday, April 14, 2021 at 8:00 A.M.

Chairman

Fiscal Officer