

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting, September 6, 2018

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Chairman John Zizka called the Regular Township Meeting to order at 7:38 p.m., Thursday, September 6, 2018. Present: Trustees Jeff Derthick, Roy Martin, John Zizka and the Fiscal Officer, Karen Martin. Also road Supervisor Tony VanSteenberg. Present also were residents: Mr. Dan Grafton, Mrs. Jennifer Derthick, Adam Derthick, Zoning Inspector Rich Gano.

This meeting was being taped to facilitate the written minutes. Once the minutes are approved the tape will be reused. The minutes will be approved at the next Regular meeting. Prior to the meeting Receipt Reports, Fund Status Reports & Appropriation Reports were handed out to the Trustees.

A motion was made by Trustee Martin and seconded by Trustee Derthick **to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing on 8/16/2018. The amendments will become effective thirty days from today's date.** Roll Call: Trustee Derthick, yes; Trustee Martin, yes; Trustee Zizka, yes. Motion carried.

Resolution: 09.06.18.01

A motion was made by Trustee Martin and seconded by Trustee Derthick **to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of 8/16/18.** Roll Call: Trustee Derthick, yes; Trustee Martin, yes; Trustee Zizka, yes. Motion carried. **Resolution: 09.06.18.02**

Public Comment: Jennifer Derthick reported that the Community Picnic was very enjoyable and a successful event.

Roads: Tony gave the road report. One brush pickup was done for September. They have replaced a crossover pipe on Slagle Road at the Mike Harris property. Patching work on the roads and for the chip & seal project coming up has been done. Tony reported that they have hauled about 30 ton of grit from Ballentine Sand & Gravel at \$8.00 per ton. Mr. Proya will spray again for vegetation.

Tony stated that the air tank on the Kodiak truck had to be repaired or replaced. He talked with Bill Kuntz and Mr. Kuntz donated a tank and the fittings to the township. Tony & Butch installed the tank. A hose leak was found on the LB75 backhoe. The hose had to be ordered from Miners at a cost of \$222. When the hose came in, it was the wrong part number. Another hose was ordered and the cost was \$305.

Also reported an issue on Vair Road damage from truck and equipment tracks coming out of the driveway. The trustees will check with the prosecutor to see if the owner of the property is liable for damages..

The road crew plan on replacing the rear brakes on the one-ton truck next week.

Trustee Zizka purchased a new vacuum for the Townhall and new sink drains. He also stated that one of the fans in the Townhall is not working and may need to be replaced.

Fiscal Officer: Karen presented the 2018-19 Salt bid which was from Morton Salt and will be at \$52.85 per ton. She will call Morton to confirm the ordering process. Karen also noted that the county sent a Portage County Health Dept. report on the septic inspection. It was recommended that the septic tanks be pumped. Tony will contact McCoy to schedule. A packet on a class action of First Energy was received and will be taken to Chris Meduri to review.

Zoning: Rich Gano gave a zoning report. He has been following up on the Lawson property on Slagle Road although he has not received anything from the complainant. Rich will be checking on the status of Dave Bonner, Trustee Zizka would like to pursue that violation. Also the Criblez court case status and the court status on the Milano property will be discussed with the prosecutor. A motion was made by Trustee Martin and seconded by Trustee Derthick **to contact the County Prosecutor, Chris Meduri, to check on the status of liens on the properties of Trent & Brenna Milano. The Trustees will check with the Prosecutor concerning current violations on Milano property.** Roll Call: Trustee Derthick, yes; Trustee Martin, yes; Trustee Zizka, yes. Motion carried. **Resolution: 09.06.18.04**

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A reminder of a meeting to be held on October 16, 2018 at 7 p.m. with the combined zoning boards, the trustees and Chris Meduri. Rich stated that he still has had no contact from Pamela Hart on the property on S.R. 700.

Unfinished Business: Trustee Zizka attended the last Local Government meeting of the Townships. A Resolution template has been received for each township to submit to the Portage County Auditor by September 14, 2018. The resolution was read and reviewed by the Trustees. A motion was made by Trustee Martin and seconded by Trustee Zizka **to approve the proposed Alternative Method of Apportioning and distributing the Local Government Fund and submit said Resolution to the Portage County Auditor.** Roll Call: Trustee Derthick, yes; Trustee Martin, yes; Trustee Zizka, yes. Motion carried. **Resolution: 09.06.18.03 (copy of Resolution attached to these minutes)**

New Business: Tony, Butch and John measured the perimeter of the Townhall property for the placement of the new trees that are going to be planted. It was suggested by Mr. Higgins of Organic Roots, that three trees be planted on the section by the War Memorial. Five trees are recommended from the driveway to the corner of S.R. 700 and the section on S.R. 303 would have eight trees. The trees would be planted about 50 feet apart. A motion was made by Trustee Martin and seconded by Trustee Derthick **to hire Organic Roots and purchase up to 17 "Autumn Blaze" trees for around the Townhall property and two of them for the park on S.R. 700 at a price of \$285 each. He will also maintain the trees for one year from date of installation.** Roll Call: Trustee Derthick, yes; Trustee Martin, yes; Trustee Zizka, yes. Motion carried. **Resolution: 09.06.18.05**

There was a discussion for some private residents to purchase a couple trees in remembrance of their families and the Township would purchase a small plaque in the name of the family. Trustee Derthick will check on the price of the memory plaques.

Misc: The results of the PCTA dinner on August 18, 2018 was a success. The sponsors we had contacted donated exactly \$1000. The expenses for the dinner came to \$995.77. Thanks to all the sponsors. The Freedom Community picnic held with the First Congregational Church, on August 19, 2018 had a great turnout and lots of food. NOPEC had sponsored through a Community Event Grant \$1000 and the expenses came to \$605.41. Monies not used will be held for future Freedom Township events. The extra food was donated to 4-H, EMS & Freedom road crew.

At the PCTA dinner four members of the Congregational Church volunteered to grill and help with the dinner. A motion was made by Trustee Zizka and seconded by Trustee Martin **to donate to the First Congregational Church \$200 and four \$25 gift cards to the four persons helping on the 18th for the PCTA dinner.** Roll Call: Trustee Derthick, yes; Trustee Martin, yes; Trustee Zizka, yes. Motion carried. **Resolution: 09.06.18.06**

During the meeting, warrants & EFTs, #9630-#9651 in the amount of \$7,045.52 were presented to the Trustees for approval and ordered paid by signature. See the Payment Register which is attached hereto and by reference made a part of these Minutes.

A motion was made by Trustee Martin and seconded by Trustee Derthick **to adjourn the Regular Township meeting at 9:20 p.m.** Roll Call: Trustee Derthick, yes; Trustee Martin, yes; Trustee Zizka, yes. Motion carried. **Resolution: 09.06.18.05**

 John C. Zizka, Chairman

 Jeffrey M. Derthick, Trustee

 Roy E. Martin, Vice-Chairman

 Karen S. Martin, Fiscal Officer

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Payment Listing

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September 2018

ent e #	Post Date	Transaction Date	Type	Vendor / Payee	Amount
9630	09/04/2018	09/04/2018	PR	Jeffrey M Derthick	\$727.99
9631	09/04/2018	09/04/2018	PR	Richard J Gano Jr	\$382.66
9632	09/04/2018	09/04/2018	PR	KAREN S MARTIN	\$1,084.80
9633	09/04/2018	09/04/2018	PR	ROY E. MARTIN	\$615.17
9634	09/04/2018	09/04/2018	PR	MARY A. SCHAEFER	\$221.18
9635	09/04/2018	09/04/2018	PR	JOHN C. ZIZKA	\$564.57
9636	09/06/2018	09/04/2018	AW	KAREN MARTIN	\$65.00
9637	09/06/2018	09/04/2018	AW	RICK KUNTZ TRUCKING, INC.	\$179.10
9638	09/06/2018	09/04/2018	AW	RENTWEAR, INC	\$141.81
9639	09/06/2018	09/04/2018	AW	SUNBURST ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE, IN	\$68.93
9640	09/06/2018	09/04/2018	AW	OHIO EDISON	\$321.59
9641	09/06/2018	09/04/2018	AW	S & K SALES & SERVICE, INC.	\$9.35
9642	09/06/2018	09/04/2018	AW	DOMINION EAST OHIO	\$58.88
9643	09/06/2018	09/04/2018	AW	INDUSTRIAL CONNECTIONS INC	\$233.63
9644	09/06/2018	09/04/2018	AW	OHIO EDISON	\$403.46
9645	09/06/2018	09/04/2018	AW	AT&T	\$48.27
9646	09/06/2018	09/04/2018	AW	Consumers Life Ins. Co.	\$116.25
9647	09/06/2018	09/04/2018	AW	TREASURER STATE OF OHIO	\$297.00
9648	09/06/2018	09/04/2018	AW	GEE'VILLE AUTO PARTS CORP.	\$29.94
9649	09/06/2018	09/04/2018	AW	Business Card	\$1,358.06
9650	09/06/2018	09/04/2018	AW	KATHLEEN ZIZKA	\$50.88
9651	09/06/2018	09/06/2018	AW	First Congregational Church	\$67.00
Total Payments:					\$7,045.52