

FREMONT TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING

WINN ANNEX

August 27, 2024

Supervisor Himebaugh opened the meeting at the Fremont Township office at 7 p.m. Members present: Himebaugh, Schimmelmann, Barrett, VanBonn, and Main.

Acceptance of the agenda: Moved by Barrett and supported by Main to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

Minutes approval: Motion by Main and supported by Barrett to approve the minutes of June 23, 2024. Motion Passed. (Meeting canceled in July)

Treasurer Report: Motion by Schimmelmann and supported by Barrett to accept the treasurer's report. Motion passed

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| General Fund Balance | 65,208.06 |
| Investment Account | 371,167.75 |
| Fire Department | 47,278.53 |
| First Response | 107,150.37 |
| Planning & Zoning | 866.52 |

Payments and Bills: Motion by VanBonn and supported by Main to pay the bills as presented. Motion passed.

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| General Fund Check #10794-10834+OnLine Pmts | 36,760.47 |
| Fire Fund Check #5549-5556+OnLine Pmts | 25,837.43 |
| First Response Check#1322-1329+Online Pmts | 8,411.17 |

Reports

- Fire
 - We had a skid unit donated, it has a poly tank and a good working pump. We will put this into a grass pickup.
 - We received the second set of SCBA. We are working on new yokes to make them fit our current bottles.
 - Engine 512 DOT inspections failed because of the spring in the front which are bad. It is currently at Recker repair getting the springs replaced.
 - We do have an indicator light not working on the main line engine that will need to be replaced. This cost is estimated at \$1,800. We will wait until the springs are done to make the decision to fix this item.
 - We have a quote for \$11,260.00 for 20 firefighter helmets. We have a donation of \$10,000.00 for this project. Request to purchase these helmets.
- Rescue calls since last township meeting, 22.
- Fire - There were 3 fires, ditch, PIA and Power since the last township meeting.
- We were able to get \$500,00 for the old tires off from the Pumper/Tender.
- Received a check from Deerfield township for rescue calls in the amount of \$2,625.00.

Fremont Twp Fire Dept / Rescue
Fire Chief Michael Main

Zoning: 2 permits issued.

Clerk: Reported on COG and Marijuana grow farms.

Old Business

1. Tom Sandbrook reported his findings on the road abandonment issue with LaPearl Road.

New Business

1. Motion by Schimmelmann and supported by Himebaugh to accept the contract from Commission on Aging for the period 2024-2025. Motion passed.
2. Motion by Barrett and supported by Main to enter into an agreement with Foster-Swift attorneys, Grand Rapids, to represent Fremont Township, in any legal matters. Current attorney, Gordon Bloem, has retired. Motion passed.
3. Motion by Main and supported by Schimmelmann to purchase helmets for firefighters for \$11,250.00. Funds from a \$10,000 donation. Motion passed.

Public Comment

Sheriff Main reported on the incidents in Fremont Township and the need for a supported road patrol. Lee Clark, representing the sheriff deputies, urged voters to support the road patrol mileage on the ballot in November. Both Main and Clark said if the millage passes, funds can only be used for sheriff road patrol and not the general fund of Isabella County.

Adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

John Schimmelmann

Clerk