

FREMONT TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING
WINN ANNEX
JAN 26, 2026

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

Acceptance of 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 November 25, 2025. Motion Passed.

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

General Fund Balance	73,805.97
Investment Account	323,784.83
Fire Department	55,210.04
First Response	113,481.34
Planning & Zoning	1,991.52

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

General Fund Check #11115-11152+OnLine Pmts 42,854.90 (two months)

Fire Fund Check #5672-5680+OnLine Pmts 11,737.13 (two months)

First Response Check #1373-1384+Online Pmts 30,084.87 (two months)

Reports

Supervisor: 2 zoning permits

Clerk: No report

- FIRE
 - CFS since Nov 9, PIA, Chimney, Power Supply Issues, 2 Power line, Illegal burn, PDA, Structure. We were very fortunate that we only had one power line issue during the ice storm.
 - We had an Amish laborer purchase and put steel up on the tool crib room. We then plumbed the water and power. We were able to move the cascade system and tool benches into the room.
 - During the last two months we were able to purchase a UTV. This unit is new and comes with glass front and rear windows, a wench, turn signals and a five year warranty. We are currently working on installing a radio, lights and siren. We will then install our small tank, pump and hoses in the bed. This unit cost roughly \$13,800, which \$12,000 was from a private donation.
 - During the holiday break we had our new grass/rescue unit lettered, we have also placed a light bar on the unit and are currently installing a radio and siren in it. The donated skid that has a pump and tank on it was installed in the rear of the apparatus and Morbark was able to pin or attach it to the bed for us. Once we have the pump replumbed, this unit will be ready for service for the grass/brush fire season.

- 2026 Projects - It is our goal to get the steel on the East wall, this can be accomplished once we have the kitchenette area plumbed. In the spring we would like to get the North and South walls insulated and the steel to the ceiling. It is our intent to paint the ceiling black versus trying to put steel up. We also will get some pricing for gear racks, this will get our gear out of the trucks or off from the floor where it seems to end up. We will need to get the heavy utilities truck air ride airbags repaired this year as well.
- Currently we have 4 new cadets about half way through the fire academy. They are all doing well and will be done at the end of March. We have 5 total new members and they are all local and have been responding to a lot of the calls.
- RESCUE
 - We had 17 CFS in November and 18 in December. To date in January we are at 17 CFS.
 - Michelle Thompson has finished her instructor school, she needs a few hours of in-person training before she can schedule the first MFR training. We have several who will attend the class.

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Old Business

New Business

1. Road Commission meeting on FEB 10 26 at 3PM
2. Motion by Barrett and supported by Himebaugh to enter into an agreement with Boge & Wybenga & Bradley, Mt Pleasant, MI, to audit the Fremont Township bookkeeping and treasurer beginning with the 2025 F65, then a full audit 2027. This replaces our current auditor Barry Gaudette who has retired.

Public Comment

Adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Schimmelmann
Fremont Township Clerk