

**FREEMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD
CLARE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

At a meeting of the Freeman Township Board of Clare County, Michigan, held at 7280 Mannsiding Road, Lake, Michigan on

Special Meeting, Thursday, the 5th of October, 2017

Present Board Members: Supervisor Housler, Clerk Lightfoot, Treasurer Lackie, Trustees Barnett & Sable

TIME: 10:00 a.m. Call to Order

Roll Call was taken with all members present, along with 0 citizens.

LIABILITY INSURANCE/INVOICE: Supervisor Housler informed the Board that he and Clerk Lightfoot had met with our Liability Insurance rep and had gone over the coverages suggested and also optional ones. At this time it is suggested that we stick with the basic coverages for the Township.

Moved by Treasurer Lackie, seconded by Trustee Sable moved to approve the Liability Insurance coverage and to pay the applicable invoice. Ayes (Lackie, Sable, Housler, Barnett, Lightfoot) Nays 0.

RUDE PROPERTY: Supervisor Housler gave background information on this property to bring Trustee Sable up to date. We have received a judgment for removal and the authority to put into compliance. Our employee cleaned up all metal and equipment from the property. It was the Township's best intention to totally clean up the property and remove all buildings (except the garage), but due to excessive costs we will not be able to proceed any further.

In our current budget we had budgeted \$5000 to clean up this property. Motion by Treasurer Lackie, seconded by Clerk Lightfoot to move what money is left in the cleanup account to the Assessing Account to help cover the increased costs associated with the State Mandate for pictures/measurements of properties. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

SPECIAL METAL (ONLY) DUMPSTER FOR TRANSFER SITE: Supervisor Housler noted he had contacted Garfield Township and asked them about the special metal dumpster they have. He also researched several companies that offer this service. Basically how it would work is the company puts a dumpster at our transfer site to take in any metal (no electronics or TV'S) residents want to drop off. Once the dumpster is full, the company will take the dumpster away, weigh the contents, pay the going price for metal, and then subtract the cost of moving the dumpster from the proceeds. Supervisor Housler contacted Padnos Cadillac Recycling and they would bring in a 40 or 50 yard dumpster. There would be a charge of \$250 (\$125 each way) for the dumpster. The charge would be subtracted from the total payment for metal and then a check would be written to the Township. The money made will go back to the Township Garbage Fund. Trustee Sable moved, seconded by Trustee Barnett, to approve the implementation of the metal dumpster for the transfer site into which all incoming metals will be placed by residents. This procedure will be implemented as soon as practicable. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

REPLACEMENT OF (BOARD MEMBER) PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER: Due to the death of Trustee Wells, we need to appoint a board member to the Planning Commission. We also have a vacancy on the Planning Commission due to the resignation of Leo Stevens. We have advertised on our website and through our email notification service asking for volunteers to be on the Planning Commission. We hope to appoint a new person at the December 2017 meeting. Motion by Treasurer Lackie, seconded by Trustee Sable to accept the Supervisor's appointment of Trustee Barnett as Board Member representative for the Planning Commission. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Trustee Sable, and seconded by Treasurer Lackie to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. **Time: 11:30 a.m.**

Alan Housler, Supervisor

Julie Lightfoot, Township Clerk