

**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

Regular Meeting, Thursday, the 08th of September, 2022

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

TIME: 7:00 p.m. Call to Order and Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call was taken with all members present.

A motion was made by Trustee Barnett, seconded by Trustee Sable to approve the minutes from the August 11, 2022 Board Meeting. Ayes- 5 Nays- 0

GUEST SPEAKERS

Dale Majewski, County Commissioner –

The Clare County Board of Commissioners will be re-modeling the Commissioner Boardroom to accommodate the additional Commissioners and add more public seating at a cost of approximately \$61,000.00

Commissioner approved the building of a pole barn at the Clare County Animal Shelter. Funds for the building itself was fundraised through donations, not tax dollars.

The Commissioners discussed at their last meeting removing or changing the 600 foot buffer when spraying for the Gypsy-Spongy Moths. They are consulting attorneys and will hopefully finalize at their next meeting.

Karl Hauser, Director Clare County Veteran Services

Mr. Hauser let the public know on a side note that the Clare County website has crashed and they are working to get it restored.

Mr. Hauser came to the meeting tonight not on behalf of the Veteran Services but to introduce himself as a candidate for Mid-Michigan Community College Board of Trustees and will be on the November ballot. He is a 20 year veteran of the Air Force, completed his Bachelors and Master degrees while on active duty. After moving to Clare County he completed his Associates degree in Criminal Justice at Mid-Michigan College.

TREASURERS REPORT

A motion was made by Trustee Sable, seconded by Trustee Barnett to approve regular checks 016217- 016231. Ayes – 5, Nays - 0

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS

Supervisor Housler gave an update on the Freeman Township Cemetery projects and presented the board with a proposed bid from Blain Excavating for further improvements, including level

the back section, removal of trees and debris, cutting out hill and fill in low areas and grading to make suitable for planting seed in the amount of \$5,000.00. Treasurer Lackie made a motion to accept the bid and move forward with the project, seconded by Trustee Sable. Roll call vote taken Ayes-5 Nays-0

A motion was made by Clerk LaFave and seconded by Treasurer Lackie to add the property at 2721 S. Twin Lakes Avenue to our curbside pick-up assessment district. Ayes-5 Nays-0

Supervisor Housler asked for a motion to approve the purchase and installation of a whole building surge protector to the township hall. Motion made by Trustee Sable and seconded by Trustee Barnett to accept Seiter Electrics bid of \$400.00. Ayes-5 Nays-0

Mr. Housler stated that we have had a vacancy on the Zoning Board of Appeals for quite some time. We have received an application to fill that seat by a resident, John Machnak. Clerk LaFave made a motion to appoint John Machnak to the Zoning Board of Appeals effective immediately , seconded by Trustee Barnett. Roll call vote taken, Ayes-5 Nays-0

Supervisor Housler let us know that we received a \$365 credit from Michigan Chloride for brining some roads that we did not authorize to be sprayed . We will be providing them with a map for next years dust control and have applied for the same schedule as this year.

CLERK'S COMMENTS

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning – Robert Eckardt: absent

Zoning & Blight – Harold Logan: absent

COMMENTS/CONCERNS FROM CITIZENS

Adjourn: Motion by Trustee Sable, seconded by Trustee Barnett to adjourn the regular meeting.

TIME: 7:27 p.m.

Alan Housler, Supervisor

Lacinda LaFave, Township Clerk

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