

## Town of Freeman

The regular meeting of August 30th, 2021 was called to order at 7:17 pm by John Leirmo.

All members present – John Leirmo, Al Thompson and David Olson

Peggy certified the meeting was posted at River Bank, P.O., NEIA Paper, website, and the Town Shop.

John made a motion to amend the agenda to add the possible purchase of a loader, Al seconded.

Patrolmen hours were reviewed, Al made a motion to approve, Dave seconded. All yes

Peggy presented the minutes from the 7/26/2021 regular meeting. Approved as read.

Sacha Powell stated there was no activity in the tax account.

The August bills were reviewed. John made a motion to approve the bills including the Strong Rock invoices and an invoice from Bob Stussy, and hold the St Joseph equipment invoice. Dave seconded. All yes.

### Old Business:

- FEMA: Peggy spoke with Brian Williams from Wisconsin Emergency Management, he stated he is submitting a letter and our documentation to FEMA for review. Peggy is working on 2018 FEMA documentation.
- Road Repair: C & C is working on the replacing the culvert on McQueen Road, it will be finished by the end of the week. Fahrner's will start sealcoating the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> week of September.
- Recycling: The notice of the public hearing was posted in the NEIA newspaper two consecutive weeks and posted at the township, Post Office, Bank, and the website. Peggy presented the completed Recycling Ordinance to the board.
- American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA): Peggy stated she is completing lost revenue worksheets to determine the amount of the ARPA funds that can be used for roads, culverts, and bridges.

### New Business

- Loader Purchase: The board made the decision to trade in the 2012 Case 621F Loader for a 2021 John Deere (JD) 624 P Loader. The selling price for the JD is \$214,500.00, the trade in allowance for the Case is \$101,000.00. The balance due to Brooks Tractor, Inc. is \$111,700.00. John made the motion to purchase, Al seconded.
- Planning and Zoning Committee: Housing fee permit increase recommendations from the Planning and Zoning Committee were put on hold.
- Permits:
  - The Board approved a variance request from William Seidl.
  - James and Barbara Jeffries – 448 sq ft purchased structure, Al made a motion to approve, Dave seconded. All yes.
  - Theodore Hopping – 1300 sq ft House - Dave made motion to approve, John seconded. All yes
  - Bernie and Jena Bjorkland – 100 sq ft entry room – Dave made a motion to approve, Al seconded. All yes.

### Public Discussion:

- Steve Osterhaus questioned why the housing fee permit increase recommendations from the Planning and Zoning Committee were put on hold.

- The township contracted with Crank from Waterville to cut brush on specified roads.

Next meeting will be September 27, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Motion made by Dave at 8:14 to adjourn, John seconded.

Peggy Thompson, Clerk