

Town of Freeman

Public Budget Hearing November 29th, 2022

The Budget Hearing and Special Town Meeting were brought to order at 7:00 by John Leirimo.

All members present. John Leirimo, Al Thompson, David Olson. Also present were Peggy Thompson, Doug Fuhrman, Bud Powell and Sacha Powell.

After some discussion and review of the proposed budget, David made a motion to adjourn the budget hearing at 7:20, John seconded.

The regular meeting of November 29, 2022 was called to order at 7:20 pm by John Leirimo.

All members present - John Leirimo, Al Thompson, and David Olson.

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

Dave Olson made a motion to adopt and approve the 2023 budget using the allowable levy limit increase, Al Thompson seconded. Roll call vote all yes. David Olson made a motion to approve the total 2023 highway expenditures. Al Thompson seconded. Roll call: all yes.

John made a motion to approve the agenda, Dave seconded. All yes.

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

Peggy presented the minutes from the 10/31/2022 regular meeting. Approved as read.

Sacha Powell stated one outstanding check for \$3.00 was cashed. Tax statements will be sent as soon as possible.

The November bills were reviewed, Dave made a motion to approve, John seconded. All yes.

Old Business:

- FEMA: Peggy stated the 2016 FEMA project is in closeout.
- Road Repair: Nothing to report.
- American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA): Nothing to report.
- Farmland Preservation: The 3rd meeting will be held 12/12/2022 as Sugar Creek Bible Camp. Al made a motion to give Sugar Creek \$50.00 for each of the 3 meetings that were held there, Dave seconded, all yes. Erik Stevenson would like to be in the FLP program. Al made a motion to allow him into the program without charge, Dave seconded, all yes.
- Fahrner Construction repair for 2021 sealcoat: After much discussion on the poor condition of the roads Fahrner chip sealed in 2021, the board determined to have a lawyer handle the situation, John will get a copy of the letter to the lawyer.
- Fence viewing matter with La Plante's: The township received another document request from LaPlant. John will contact the Crawford County District Attorney's office.
- White construction road damage: John will contact Darin Pieper, project manager for White Construction.
- New Accessor: Discussion on finding a new accessor, Dave stated he talked to Accessor Derek Flansberg to take the townships position, no decision was made.

- Dave stated he talked to the county about giving the township the 4 small parcels of land the county wants the township to purchase for \$273.99, no decision was made.

New Business:

- Permits:
 - Alice Spurr requested a driveway permit. Board will look at the proposed driveway.

Public Discussion:

- No public discussion.

Next meeting will be Monday, December 26th, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

Al made a motion to adjourn, Dave seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:50.

Peggy Thompson, Clerk