

## Town of Freeman

The regular meeting of July 31, 2023 was called to order at 7:00 pm by Al Thompson.

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

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

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

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

Peggy presented the minutes from the 6/26/2023 regular meeting. Approved as read.

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

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

### Old Business:

- FEMA: Peggy stated she received an email from Derek Bodmer from Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM) stating the 2018 project is the next project to be reviewed. Al suggested the electors set an hourly rate for the board at the budget hearing in November. The rate will apply to FEMA and WEM project wages.
- Road Repair: Al spoke with Kelsey Brown with WEM, she said the 2023 road damage cost submitted to WEM should be covered. Al stated the estimated cost of the gravel for Mule Hollow and Rusch Creek is \$90,000.00 for the project. John made a motion to go ahead with the gravel, Dave seconded, all yes.
- Fahrner Construction repair for 2021 sealcoat: Will repair 1 mile on N. Buck Creek and do patching and double seal S Buck Creek.
- Fence viewing matter with La Plante's: Nothing to report
- White construction road damage: AL spoke with White Construction. The township received an estimate of the damage from Fahrner, Sacha will send a bill for the damage.
- New Accessor: Peggy sent a request for proposal to five appraisers, two of the firms stated they were to busy and could not take another client. Peggy will call the Towns Association.
- Zoning Committee: Dave made a motion to approve Leigh and Forrest Carlson's request to add 11 ½ acres to FLP, John seconded. All yes. Discussion on the addition of a "Room Tax" ordinance for short term rentals in the township. Existing properties will not be "Grandfathered" in and will need to apply for a Conditional Use Permit.
- Delinquent Property taxes: Nothing to report.
- Conditional Use Permit for Mackessy: Dave made a motion to approve the Conditional Use Permit Mackessy's pending additional conditions are met. John seconded, all yes.

### New Business:

- Al spoke with Taylor Buckles about installing a new furnace in the shop. The cost of the furnace will be \$9,045.75. John made a motion to purchase the furnace, Dave seconded. All yes.
- Alliant Energy wants to trench in a powerline, Al wants permit drafted before they trench.
- Permit requests:
  - Non-residential permit request was received from Dan Bechtel for a garage. Dave made a motion to approve, John seconded.

- Non-residential permit request was received from Austin Holm for a garage. Dave made a motion to approve, John seconded.
- Non-residential permit request was received from Andrew Wiegand for a shed. Dave made a motion to approve, John seconded.

Public Discussion:

- Doug Fuhrman asked about gravel on Holstein Road and a resident that changed a driveway on McQueen Road. The Board will look at driveway.

Next meeting will be August 28, at 7:00 pm.

John made a motion at 8:11 to adjourn the meeting, Dave seconded. All yes.

Peggy Thompson, Clerk