

Town of Freeman

The regular meeting of September 25, 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.

Al made a motion to amend the agenda to include financial information request and Zoning Committee information, Dave seconded.

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

Peggy presented the minutes from the 7/28/2023 regular meeting. Approved as read.

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

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

Old Business:

- FEMA: Peggy stated the 2018 project is in review.
- Road Repair: Al stated the patrolmen have been mowing and grading. Al will call Jason Fortney about hauling sand approximately 40 - 50 loads of sand.
- Fence viewing matter with La Plante's: Nothing to report
- White construction road damage: Sending a bill for the damage.
- New Accessor: Peggy stated Dave Toennies's son is taking over Equity Appraisal and will keep the Town of Freeman under contract. The board is requesting a contract for 1 year maintenance and re-evaluation in 2025.
- Delinquent Property taxes: Nothing to report.
- Shop Furnace: Taylor Buckles will install furnace in October. Old furnaces will be removed.

New Business:

- Permit requests:
 - Driveway permit request was received from Paul and Maryann Baldwin, Dave made a motion to approve, John seconded. All yes.
 - A non-residential building request for a pole shed was received from Craig Robertson. Dave made a motion to approve, John seconded. All yes.
- Bob Severson requested to have the total monthly expenses, checking balance, loan balance and savings balance available at each monthly meeting.
- Bob stated the zoning committee discussed the request received from Mindy Lucey and Al Eitzert to have their 128-acre farm removed from Farmland Preservation. They would like to use the land for rentals. There will be a public hearing prior to the October regular meeting.
- The board discussed borrowing \$125,000.00 to cover the gravel and blacktop from the spring flooding damage and train derailment. John made a motion to take out a loan, Dave seconded. Roll call vote: All yes.

Next meeting will be October 30th, at 7:00 pm.

Dave made a motion at 7:43 to adjourn the meeting, Al seconded. All yes.

Peggy Thompson, Clerk