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TOWN BOARD ACTIONS

The October meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Jeff Blix - 11 individuals joined the board in the Pledge of Allegiance. Minutes from last month and the special meeting on 17 August of were approved as written. The correspondence was reviewed and bills paid in the amount of \$17,652.17. Reports were made by the various department heads.

The clerk reported not much had happened in the few weeks since the last meeting. The hall is seeing some rentals and absentee voting has started, it is done with the county.

The treasurer gave his monthly reconciliation. Total funds available as of September 13 are \$491,922.34 which included the \$80,000 in CD. The treasurer mentioned the township could cash those in at any time with very little penalty. One will come due in December, and has been the practice he will just roll it over.

The Road Foreman reported adding gravel to 3 areas and then grading the Fredenberg Lake Rd. They have reshaped the area by Apple Lake on Bear Island Rd to help with the erosion problem, but it may need more work next Spring. There was standing water in the cul du sac area on Birch Acres Rd where gravel was added. We will be monitoring the W. Hunter Lake Rd. area to see if we have a potential snow drifting issue after the trees were taken out.

Fire Department to 5 medical calls and did medical standby for a "fun run". Members trained with the Air

National Guard Fire Department and in a multi agency emergency drill.

Law Enforcement - there were apparently some break-ins of cars parked along the dam.

Cemetery - we will put the locks on the gates when the snow flies.

Parks & Rec - we will put up a dirt berm to block vehicles from going up the sledding hill and will fill in rutted areas as needed next Spring.

Community Center - the new sign is up, although there is a spelling error and it still needs to be wired.

Recycling Center - new hauler missed us on the first pick-up week. Some changes may be coming in with the new company.

Other Meetings - Clerk attended the day long legal seminar and brought back information on Subordinate Service Districts.

Under Old Business: - Fredenberg Lake Road - Clay suggested that a committee be formed between Fredenberg Lake and Birch Acres Rds residents to work through this process. The clerk suggested the board may want to look at making these subordinate service districts as this has a clear process for projects such as paving that the residents request and pay for, but as it isn't classified as a "special assessment" you have more flexibility with the repayment time.

Skating Rink - we have a new job description that will be sent to any applicants - deadline for this

was end of October.

Snow Fencing—Beaver River Farms was awarded the job. There are enough materials to cover for this year.

Snow Plowing - Mark's Snowplowing was awarded the job and will handle the rink as well.

Wells Fargo - the treasurer was approached before the meeting about insurability of the checking account. This was a topic from earlier in the year which had been covered, but the treasurer explained again about fund amounts covered by FDIC and Federal Reserve Bank. Every month he receives a report from the bank which states the amount we are covered up to. The treasurer had at that time requested and received a letter from the bank VP declaring that all of our funds on deposit were collateralized as required by law.

Under New Business: Birch Acres Rd. - the board was presented with a petition signed by the majority of people on the road for blacktopping.

With no further business, we adjourned at 7:5pm.

LOCAL OFFICES ON THE BALLOT

Supervisor Seat A - 4 years
Walter Rapp

Supervisor Seat C - 4 years
Liz Blix
Debra Pawlowicz

Supervisor Seat D - 2 years
Edward Proetz
James Ray

Supervisor Seat E - 2 years
Clay Cich
Patty Wheeler

Polls Open
Tuesday November 8
7am - 8pm



CORRESPONDENCE

The following items were received and reviewed at the October meeting. Anyone wishing to read this correspondence, or seeking more information, may do so by calling the clerk at 721-3991.

1. From the Town of Canosia - fall newsletter
2. From DAT - Minutes of the August 16 meeting
3. From St. Louis County, Planning and Community Development Dept. - Final findings of fact on the CUP for pit on Durfee pit.
4. From St. Louis County, Planning and Community Development Dept. - Public hearing for Ian Backstrom variance.
5. From SLATCO - Unofficial Minutes from May 25, 2016 annual meeting and agenda for October meeting.

COMMUNITY SKATING RINK

The Fire Department will still do the initial flood, but the board is looking for an individual (s) to handle shoveling the rink after light snowfalls and to handle subsequent flooding. Individual must be at least 16 years old, dependable, flexible. Hourly wage is \$10 and approximately 20 hours a week plus a 4 hour supervised open skate at the rink for Friday or Saturday night (negotiable on day)

If interested ask for an job description and/or application at fredenbergtrwp@aol.com or leave a message at 721-3991. Applications must be returned by 31 October to the clerk by email or at 5104 Fish Lake Rd. Duluth, MN 55803

Arrowhead Bookmobile

Stops at the Fredenberg Community Center from

1:15 - 1:45

October 24 Nov 2

call 218-741-3840

or 1-800-257-1442

For more info.

Curl up with a good book

The clerk will be at a funeral on Saturday October 15 and not available in the hall office that day.

**UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED CLASSES HELD AT THE
FREDENBERG COMMUNITY CENTER
CHECK OUR FACEBOOK PAGE**

**Wear comfortable clothes and bring a mat. Pay per class or
purchase a punch card. For more info call Anita at 729-0450**

PAY AT THE DOOR AT RESERVOIR RIDERS

Yoga .Instructor: Anita Anderson \$5 per class.

Wednesdays - 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Instructor: Sandy Rock for all classes listed below:

Monday

Cardio 7:00 – 8:00 am

Wednesday

Cardio 7:00 – 8:00 am

Thursday

Cardio /Toning 5:30 – 6:30 pm

Friday

Cardio 7:00 – 8:00 am

Saturday

Cardio/Toning 8:00 - 9:00 am

**Come work out with other motivated community members—men
and women. Suggested class donation is \$3, but is not required.**

**Have an idea, suggestions for a different type of exercise or time?
Call Anita Anderson and let her know. 729-0450**

A New Beginning

Former Fredenberg Chapel begins life anew!

You may have noticed a banner out in front of the building that indicates something new is coming to Fredenberg.

Anchor Point EFCA, located in Lakeside, is “planting” a new church in our community. Details are in the process of being worked out and we are hopeful that services will be open to the public this October.

A small “core” group of people from the Fredenberg area have been meeting on Monday nights with Anchor Point’s Senior Pastor, Josh Major, for several months discussing and planning the mission of the new church plant.

Stop by on a Monday evening 6:30 - 8pm to visit and get to know more.

More details will be forthcoming!

Got questions?

Call Pastor Josh (763)218-3707 or
Gordy Mesdahl (218) 391-6702

VOTE PATTY WHEELER

**for
Township Supervisor**

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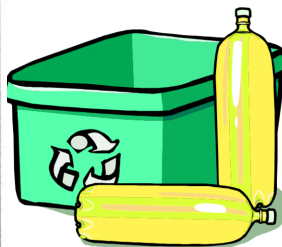
Sundays – 10:00 am

*Praise worship with Holy Communion
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Thanks!

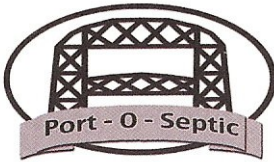
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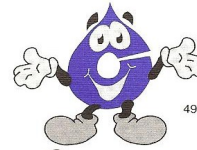
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Please make arrangements with the clerk ahead of time. Questions call 721-3991.

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ABSENTEE VOTING FOR ELECTIONS THERE IS STILL TIME

If you plan on voting absentee in the November election - please remember: absentee ballots go through the county. All absentee ballots will be looked at for acceptance by a special county board.

It is still a 2-step process where the voter fills out a request for a ballot. **These forms can be requested from either the town or county clerk or be downloaded directly from the Secretary of State website at www.sos.state.mn.us - click on elections and voting.** There is no longer a requirement for a reason to vote absentee - anyone can request do so.

The applications for a ballot will then be sent directly to the County Auditor who will ensure a ballot is mailed to you. You need to be aware that all ballot envelopes will need to go through the board prior to being counted and there are legal deadlines to be met, so don't delay in getting it back to the county if you want your vote to count. Applications for ballots can be sent in anytime and applications for permanent absentee ballots can also be made.

Ballots will be available soon if they aren't already back from the printers- but the application must be on file prior to them being sent out. Don't delay!

The next board
meeting will be

Wednesday

November

2

7pm

