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# **2021 Annual Meeting Agenda**

**March 9, 2021**

Elect a moderator

COVID – 19 pandemic recess request

Approve meeting minutes from March 10, 2020

Town Board, Clerks, Custodian, Road, & Fire Department reports

Presentations / Speakers to be announced at the Meeting

Old Business

New Business

End of the year Financial Statement/2020 Township Levy from Treasurer

Other Business

Time/Date of 2022 Annual Meeting (March 8, 2022 at 7pm & March 15,  
2022, 7pm as inclement weather date)

Adjournment

**TOWN OF FREDENBERG  
SAINT LOUIS COUNTY, MINNESOTA  
2020 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**TIME & PLACE:**

**7:00PM**

**TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2020**

**TOWN HALL/COMMUNITY**

**CENTER**

The 2020 Fredenberg Annual Meeting was CALLED TO ORDER at 7:04 pm by Diane Palmstein/clerk. The 2019 disbursements and receipts ledger and 2019 Township Road Review were available for review and the Board of Audit approved meeting minutes from January 15, 2020 were in Annual Meeting packet. Clerks read a welcome message and 38 residents stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Clerk asked for nominations for meeting moderator, Jeff Blix nominated Mark McShane, Mark McShane nominated Glen Bergstrand. Vote taken: 10 for Mark McShane, 12 for Glen Bergstrand. Mark McShane made a motion naming Glen Bergstrand, Connie Moriarty seconded, MOTION PASSED. Glen Bergstrand accepted the nomination.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** March 12, 2019 Annual Meeting Minutes were reviewed, Clay Cich made a motion to accept the minutes from March 12, 2019 Annual Meeting without correction, Fran Williams seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**
2. **TOWNSHIP ORGANIZATION:** Glen Bergstrand thanked the Town Board Supervisors, Treasurer, Fire Department, Custodians, Recycle Attendants and Clerks for their work this past year and the countless volunteer hours to keep the township going.
3. **REPORTS:** Glen Bergstrand, moderator asked if audience wanted these read aloud as they were in packets and no one requested to have them read.
4. **GUEST SPEAKERS:**

Kerry Juntunen/Hermantown School District Superintendent: provided Hermantown District update, noting that the district is in a great spot financially (11 ½ % in reserves), culturally and student wise. Debt from new school building recently refinanced with significant savings to the district. New school district superintendent is Mr. Wayne Whitwam. He encouraged residents to approach the School Board with concerns/issues. Mark McShane thanked Mr. Juntunen for his work with Essentia/Hermantown/School District, in a joint effort getting the new Wellness Center/YMCA in Hermantown.

St. Louis County Sheriff's Department: Deputy Matt Sobczak made presentation on 2019 update and statistics for Fredenberg from their department: 1 assault, 2 burglaries, 4 criminal damage to property, 1 criminal sexual assault, 5 disturbances, 1 drug offense, 1 drug overdose, 4 damage to property, 5 DWI's, 5 theft from vehicles, 2 stolen cars and 2 medical calls. Fran Williams asked about home security systems, Sheriff Sobczak provided general information on both companies and self-install systems. He thanked the Fredenberg Volunteer Fire Department for their support responding to calls in our area.

Reservoir Riders Club: Gary Vezina, club member, provided an update: The end of the year for snowmobiling on trails is happening soon with warm weather, the club does not do any ATV trails, membership is down and they are always looking for new members. A big problem for the club is vandalism on the trails. Upcoming projects: bridges to re-deck, culverts to redo. The club is also in

certification. He explained that the funding for the club comes from the State of MN, DNR grant in aid program with the Township and pull tabs at area businesses. Mary Skafte thanked the club for their donation of bikes to the Neighborhood Night Out, for the skating shed addition and to the skating rink. Jeff Blix thanked them for the nice shelter on the trail. Jim Ray thanked the club for maintaining the Old Townhall.

5. **OLD BUSINESS:**

Essentia Wellness Center/Hermantown YMCA: Mark McShane provided an update on the center which opened in Oct. 2019. This facility is a collaborative effort between: Essentia Health, YMCA and Hermantown and the Hermantown School District. It has exceeded projected new membership and over 50% of new members are outside the Hermantown city limits. He invited residents to come and check out the facility.

6. **NEW BUSINESS:** None presented.

7. **MINUTES TO THE JANUARY 15, 2020 FREDENBERG BOARD OF AUDIT MEETING WERE READ ALOUD.**

8. **END OF YEAR 2019 FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** Bill O'Brien/Treasurer reviewed township financial information; one correction made on Budget Page: lower half of page proposed budget/levy stated is for the year 2021 not 2020. He reviewed the proposed budget for 2021, which he had presented to the Town Board Supervisors previously and it was approved. He stated even with the township levy reduction the last 4 years, the township has remained fiscally sound. Jeremy (Mort) Moriarty had concerns about the decrease in the Township Building fund budget as the building is in need of door replacements and removal of the old chimney in the building (causes leaks in the building). Bill stated that even with the reduction in that fund for 2020, there is funding available in the general fund. Also, in 2019, the building fund spent \$20,000.00 less than budgeted. Current funds available, as of 2/13/2020, is approximately \$538,000.00. Jeff Blix made a motion to accept the 2021 budget, Fran Williams seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY by a show of hands vote.**


9. **2021 TOWNSHIP LEVY:** Julie Sunnarborg made a motion to accept 2021 levy as proposed, Jeff Blix seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY by a show of hands vote.**

10. **OTHER BUSINESS:**

TIME/DATE OF 2021 ANNUAL MEETING: clerk informed audience that following MN Statute, the second Tuesday in March is designated as Annual Township Meeting Day, which is on Tuesday, March 9, 2021. Glen Bergstrand, moderator, recommended time of meeting to begin at 7:00 pm with the location of Fredenberg Town Hall. Jim Ray made a motion to set the 2021 Fredenberg Annual Meeting for Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 7:00 pm in Fredenberg Town Hall, Connie Moriarity seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY by a show of hands vote.**

11. **ADJOURNMENT:** Deb Pawlowicz made a motion to adjourn the Annual Meeting, Jeff Blix seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY by a show of hands vote.** Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Diane C. Palmstein/Town Clerk



Glen Bergstrand/Moderator

**ADDENDUM:** Prior to Call to Order, clerks thanked Bill O'Brien, treasurer for his many years of service to Fredenberg as he has given notice to the Board that he will be leaving the position this year. The audience also acknowledged his service with a standing ovation.

## TOWNSHIP ORGANIZATION 2020

Clay Cich	Supervisor/Chair	Elected in 2018
Deb Pawlowicz	Supervisor	Elected in 2020
Walter Rapp	Supervisor	Elected in 2020
Jim Ray	Supervisor/Vice-Chair	Elected in 2018
Tim Wagner	Supervisor	Elected in 2018
Pam Blekestad	Treasurer	Appointed Aug. 2020
Mary Skafte	Clerk/Deputy Clerk	Appointed in 2017
Diane Palmstein	Clerk	Appointed in 2017
Jim Ray	Road Foreman	Appointed in 2015
Linda Bergstrand	Fire Dept. Chief	Elected by Dept.
Bryanna Wagner	Recycle Center	Appointed in 2020
Brittany Wagner	Custodian	Appointed in 2020
Connie Moriarity	Recycle Center & Custodian	Retired July 2020
Jeremy Moriarity	Custodian	Retired July 2020
Fran Williams	Recycle Center	Retired Dec. 2020

## RESPONSIBILITY ASSIGNMENTS

Clay Cich	Community Center
Deb Pawlowicz	Recycle Center
Walter Rapp	Cemetery
Jim Ray	Road & Bridge / Parks & Rec
Tim Wagner	Fire Department

## 2020 Township Report

A petition to pave East Cook Lake Road was presented to the Board. Bollig Engineering was hired to present a feasibility study. The cost estimates were considerably higher than the limit on the petition and the project was suspended.

Resolutions objecting to a County conditional use permit for a new gravel pit and a moratorium blocking new borrow pits were passed. The Arrowhead Regional Development Commission and the Kennedy/Graven Law Firm were hired to provide services on this issue. A survey was mailed to all registered voters. A volunteer study committee was formed to consider whether the existing County regulations were sufficient and if the Township should impose stricter regulations.

COVID 19 restrictions included the closing of the Town Hall, temporary closing of the recycle center, cancellation of the fire department pancake feed, national night out and Santa's breakfast. Town Board meetings were either held outdoors or presented through Zoom.

Plaques honoring Veterans and First Responders donated by Clay and Anne Cich were installed on the Town Hall marquee sign.

Burying of numerous home fiber internet cables continued throughout the year with many still to be done.

West Island Lake Road, South Bay Road, 8th Avenue and the end of Bear Island Road were all established as township roads.

Wood Duck Drive underwent considerable improvements to the causeways and the intersection with East Cook Lake Road.

New garage doors were installed on the Recycle Center.

Two new commercial electric grills and a stainless steel kitchen work table were purchased for use at the Community Center.

New LED lights were installed for the skating rink and the Recycle Center.

CARES Act provided funding to install air exchangers, air purification units, electric duct heaters, isolation doors at the base of the front stairway and ductwork for air conditioning in the Community Center. Also, a portable disinfectant device and an FM transmitter for the broadcast of meetings were obtained.

The hardware for all Community Center entry doors was repaired to correct their unreliable operation and the upstairs bathroom ventilation system was relocated from the roof in order to prevent the recurring wintertime roof leakage.

Supervisors Deb Pawlowicz and Walter Rapp were re-elected.

We said goodbye to several long serving employees. Recycle attendant and custodian Connie Moriarity, custodian Mort Moriarity, recycle attendant Fran Williams and treasurer Bill O'Brien. Thank you for your service.

We welcomed Brittany Wagner as the new custodian, Brianna Wagner as the new recycle attendant and Pam Blekstad as our new treasurer.

## **2020 Recycling Center Highlights**

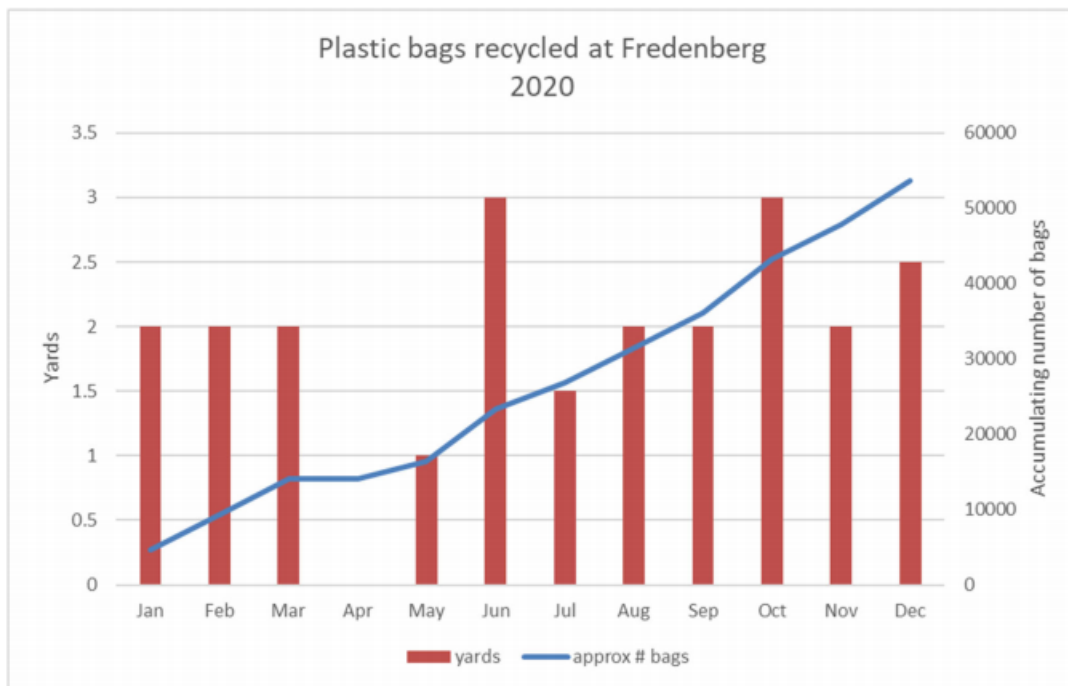
1. Operations were disrupted due to COVID-19 causing the center to close midyear
2. Successfully implemented safety procedures to allow for operation of the center during the COVID-19 pandemic
3. Longtime employees retired after many years of service. Congratulations, Connie & Mort!
4. Hired and trained a new employee, Bryanna, at the center. Welcome Bryanna!
5. Communicated WLSSD quality standards for recyclable products
6. Some building repairs and upgrades have been done.
7. Received a grant of \$8,908.00
8. Hazardous Waste Day had to be cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic

## A Brief Review of Recyclable Materials Collected in 2020 at the Fredenberg Recycle Center

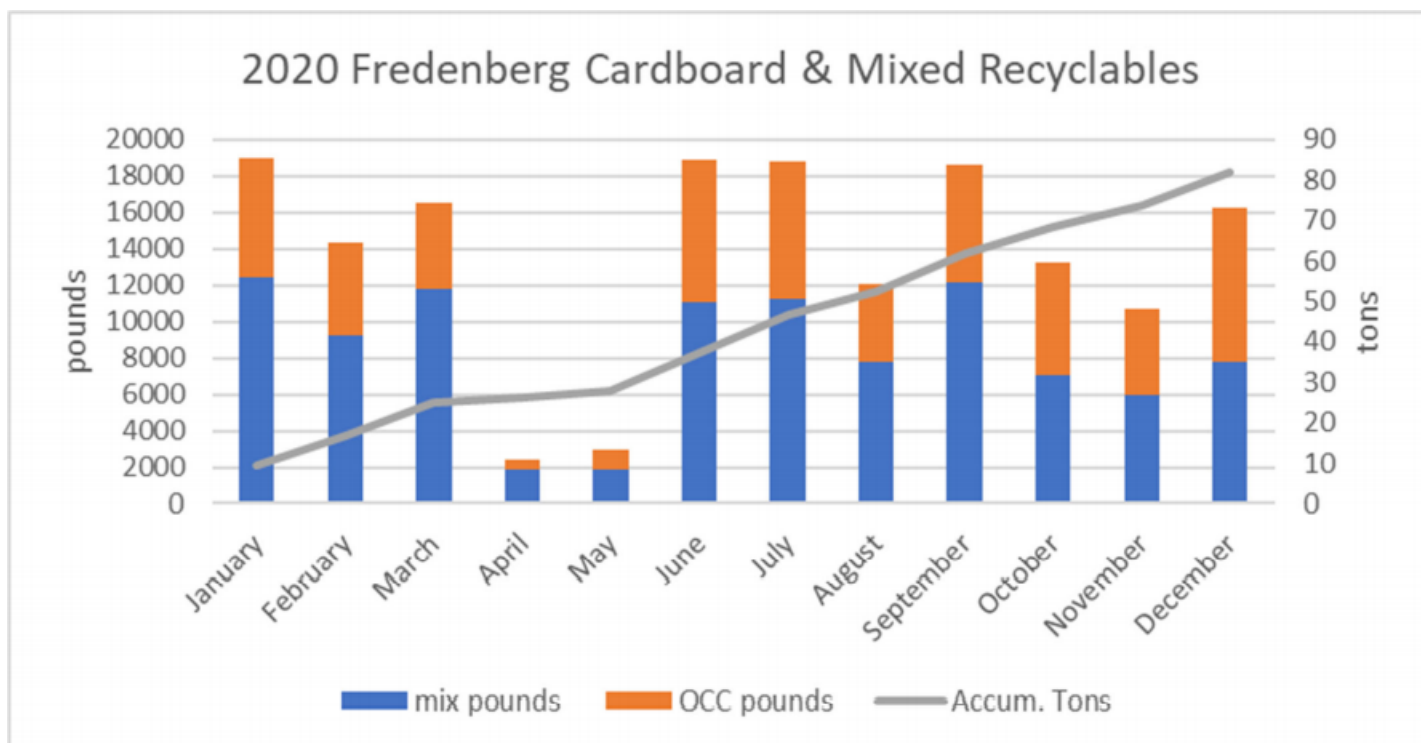
The 2020 recycling operations were not an example of a typical year. They included a complete shutdown from March 29 through May 26 due to the COVID-19 pandemic and a statewide 'Stay at Home' order. The Center successfully reopened with safety precautions in place on May 27.

Plastic film is collected in carts at the Fredenberg Recycle Center. About 53,700 bags were collected for recycling in 2020. This equates to about 805 pounds.

Other materials are sorted two ways and collected in dumpsters. Mixed recyclables include mixed papers, newspapers, glass bottles & jars, aluminum & tin cans, and plastic containers – bottles, tubs, jugs, jars (and the caps & lids).



Cardboard, of course, has the ripple between the layers and is sorted from the mixed recyclables – and flattened! This fills the dumpsters the best way and helps to control costs of service. In 2020, mixed recyclables and cardboard collected at the Fredenberg Recycle Center totaled about 82 tons.





# 2020 ROAD REVIEW

Stevens Road	General maintenance.
Bear Island Road	Monitor shoulders and end of road newly adopted as township road.
8 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	Newly adopted township road.
East Cook Lake Road	In slope enhancement – west side along swamps.
Wood Duck Lane	Reconstruct intersection, move Century Link pedestal, widen causeway and gravel length of road.
West Island Lake Road	Newly adopted township road.
Skogvie Road	Widen in future.
West Cook Lake Road	Gravel in future.
Bergstrand Road	General Maintenance.
East Hunter Lake Road	Gravel as needed after gun club, widen west side at 6620.
Beaver River Road	Gravel, ditching and cut brush along south fence line.
Chesney Road	Ditch and gravel in future.
Olson Road	Graveled approaching turn around.
Fredenberg Lake Road	Rake at mailboxes, shoulder enhancement in future, fill and seal cracks.
Miller Lane	Carve hill with grader, graveled near Fredenberg Lake Road and turn around ditching near turn-around, east side at power lines and east side on hill.
South Bay Road	Newly adopted township road.
Birch Acres Road	Fill and seal cracks.
North Birch Acres Road	Culvert extension, 2 feet needed.
Usiak Road	Remove turn around.
Amundson Road	Road Association applied gravel. Township applied crushed blacktop to the hill for erosion control.

South Sunset Ridge Road      Applied crushed blacktop for erosion control.

Stuberud Road                      Replace east culvert, raise west end in low area.

All roads in the township have general maintenance every year. (gravel, grading, chloride treatment and roadside mowing )

## **CUSTODIAN REPORT 2021**

Hello, my name is Brittany Wagner. I was hired to clean the Fredenberg Town Hall July 2020. I am very passionate about organizing and keeping spaces clean. I love to be out in the sunshine, swing on porch swings, and the occasional all day shopping trip. Summer is my favorite season. In the winter you can find me next to a fireplace or under a heated blanket. For the latter part of the year there was not a high demand for cleaning due to the pandemic. With a fresh set of eyes, I took on organizing the janitor's closet, and cleaning/organizing various rooms throughout the community center. Even though the community center isn't in use regularly right now, it still gets cleaned to keep it smelling fresh, and ready for when the community can use it again.

## **CLERK REPORT**

Three elections this year proved to be challenging due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We lost some judges but were pleased at the response from many Fredenberg residents willing to take the judges training, which was held at the community center by the clerks this year. We had measures in place for social distancing and personal protection equipment to keep all voters and judges safe.

The pandemic also made the clerks do some fast education on social media. Zoom was our media source. We used Zoom for board meetings, attending MAT education classes and State resource meetings, all of which was new learning experience for the clerks and residents of our township. All St. Louis County meetings, including Local Board of Appeal & Equalization, were also on zoom. Once MN COVID restrictions were eased somewhat, we had our township board meetings in person at the townhall pavilion, meetings in July, August, September, and October were held safely outside.

We continually update the web site, [Fredenberg.org](http://Fredenberg.org), in an effort to keep the community informed on county, state and local policies during this pandemic. The monthly newsletter was another important resource to keep the community up to date.

All township financial records: Quarterly and Annual reports, to the MN Secretary of State, MN Withholding, MN Unemployment, PERA, Federal Withholding, MN Unemployment & CTA's (our township accounting system) are current.

The Fredenberg township record keeping system is in place and continually changing so we can meet the needs of the residents of Fredenberg.

We have worked closely with our new treasurer, assisting with learning our accounting system and providing a smooth transition.

We continue to thank the community for all of their patience and understanding during this past year.

Mary & Diane

FREDENBERG VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

6367 Lavaque Road  
Duluth, MN 55803

2020 Annual Report  
March 2020

During 2020 Fire Department members responded to 66 calls including: 15 fires, 36 medical/rescue calls, 5 hazardous conditions, and 10 calls which were cancelled enroute. These calls included 17 automatic mutual aid calls to our neighboring departments. The call volume was a bit higher this year. In addition to responding to calls the 20 members spent many hours in training (both fire and medical), maintenance, and general fire department duties. All of our trucks and the equipment they carry are inspected monthly. We have outside professional testing of our pumps, air packs, breathing air compressor, fire hose and fire ladders every year. We also have an outside medical testing company provide respiratory certification to all our members on a semi-annual basis to meet OSHA and NFPS rules.

In July, the department held a badge pinning ceremony for all our members. August brought the completion of Austin Sunnarborg's Eagle Scout project which provided landscaping and the start of a memorial forest. November celebrated Glen Bergstrand's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of fire department membership and the swearing in of Glen's grandson Austin as a fire department member on the anniversary date.

2020 was a very unique year for emergency services. Expenses were high due to the need to purchase personal protective items and sanitation supplies due to the pandemic. Response protocols were also changed to keep community and fire department members safe during emergency calls. The department was unable to hold any fundraisers during the year. We count on the fundraisers to help us with some of the equipment expenses so we can keep the annual budget request low. Without the fundraisers we have had to defer some very necessary purchases including Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and turnout gear. Due to NFPA standard updates our SCBAs and turnout gear are required by OSHA and NFPA to be replaced. Our budget request for 2022, 2023 and 2024 includes the purchase of three SCBAs each year. We will be replacing four sets of turnout gear each year. We have applied for an Assistance to Firefighters grant (AFG) from FEMA to replace the SCBAs. The grants are highly competitive and are currently in the review process.

Thank you to everyone for your support and for the opportunity to serve our neighbors in their time of need. There is always room on the department for new members. Even though the commitment is great, the reward is even greater because of helping our neighbors in their time of need. Neighbors helping Neighbors, that's what it is all about.

FREDENBERG TOWN BOARD  
SAINT LOUIS COUNTY, MINNESOTA  
ANNUAL BOARD OF AUDIT FOR TOWNSHIP

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS  
February 3, 2021

TIME & PLACE: 10:45 pm  
TOWN HALL, VIA ZOOM CALL OR  
FM RADIO FROM CAR IN TOWN HALL LOT

The meeting was CALLED TO ORDER at 10:45 pm by Vice-Chair, Jim Ray. Also, present were: Deb Pawlowicz, Walter Rapp, Tim Wagner, absent: Clay Cich. Mary Skaffe & Diane Palmstein/clerks present, Pam Blekestad, Treasurer was present. 1 individual was present via zoom. The Pledge of the Allegiance was done with the regular board meeting earlier.

1. NEW BUSINESS

A. Clerks present Township receipts and disbursements ledgers for 2020, Board reviewed and requested:

CLAIMS:

77402, 77365, 77362, 77398 were requested & provided, along with original receipts and check receipt.

DISBURSEMENTS:

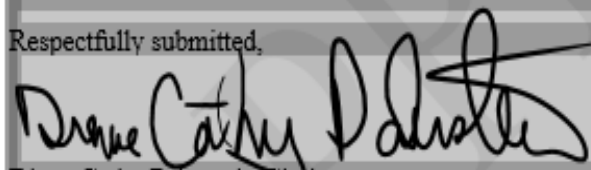
10020, 9874, 9878, 9880 were requested & provided, deposit slips were complete and matched ledger.

Tim Wagner was present via zoom and pictures of requested claims & disbursements were sent to him to view. The board members reviewed documents and no issues/concerns were noted by them.

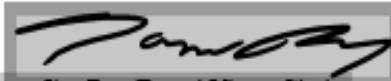
Checkbook is reconciled monthly by Treasurer and report on budget presented monthly at meeting. Pam Blekestad, treasurer, provided Treasurer's Year End Financial Report 2020, which included Funds & Balances, Checking account and money market balances and Township statement of indebtedness for Fire Hall Bond = \$430,000.00 and COI (road assessments) = \$121,819.20.

2. ADJOURNMENT: Deb Pawlowicz made a motion to adjourn meeting, Walter Rapp seconded. 4 YEAS 1 ABSENT. MOTION PASSED. Meeting adjourned at 11:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Diane Cathy Palmstein/Clerk



Jim Ray/Board Vice - Chair

As on 12/31/2020

Fund	Beginning Balance	Receipts	Sale of Investments	Transfers In	Disbursements	Purchase of Investments	Transfers Out	Ending Balance	Investment Balance	Total Balance
General Fund	103,258.45	346,179.07	0.00	0.00	136,386.83	1,752.81	0.00	311,297.88	202,917.51	514,215.39
Road and Bridge	17,829.89	92,632.83	0.00	0.00	157,985.38	0.00	0.00	(47,522.66)	0.00	(47,522.66)
Township Buildings	40,000.00	4,300.00	0.00	0.00	15,802.20	0.00	0.00	28,497.80	0.00	28,497.80
Storm Clean up	33,777.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	33,777.26	0.00	33,777.26
Fire Hall Bond	63,000.00	34,235.86	0.00	0.00	63,725.00	0.00	0.00	33,510.86	0.00	33,510.86
Road Paving	13,027.38	9,786.06	0.00	0.00	17,912.38	0.00	0.00	4,901.06	0.00	4,901.06
Parks & Rec	10,000.00	750.00	0.00	0.00	1,326.96	0.00	0.00	9,423.04	0.00	9,423.04
Cemetery	1,000.00	900.00	0.00	0.00	1,265.49	0.00	0.00	634.51	0.00	634.51
Fire Department	75,600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	49,078.50	0.00	0.00	26,521.50	0.00	26,521.50
Reservoir Riders	35,802.83	63,413.47	0.00	0.00	63,713.48	0.00	0.00	35,502.82	0.00	35,502.82
Recycling Center	1,978.71	8,908.00	0.00	0.00	9,160.76	0.00	0.00	1,725.95	0.00	1,725.95
<b>Total :</b>	<b>395,274.52</b>	<b>561,105.29</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>516,356.98</b>	<b>1,752.81</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>438,270.02</b>	<b>202,917.51</b>	<b>641,187.53</b>

Treasurer's Year-End Financial Report 2020	
FUND	BALANCE
General Fund	\$103,258.45
Road & Bridge	\$17,829.89
Township Buildings	\$40,000.00
Storm Clean-up	\$33,777.26
Fire Hall Bond	\$63,000.00
Road Paving	\$13,027.38
Parks & Rec	\$10,000.00
Cemetery	\$1,000.00
Fire Department	\$75,600.00
Reservoir Riders	\$35,802.83
Recycling Center	\$1,978.71
Checking Acct. Balance	\$456,588.40
Money Market Balance	\$202,917.51
Statement of Indebtedness:	
Fire Hall Bond	\$430,000.00
COI	\$121,819.20

## Levy Proposal For FY2022

		Proposed FY2022 budget
General Fund	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 70,000.00
Township Buildings	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Fire Department	\$ 99,000.00	\$ 99,000.00
Cemetery	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00
Parks & Rec	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Road & Bridge	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 150,000.00
Bond Repayment	\$ 60,700.00	\$ 60,700.00
Total	\$ 391,100.00	\$ 411,100.00

The General Fund amount of \$55,000 is \$13,000 less than budgeted for in FY2021

The Bond Repayment fund is \$1300 less than FY2021.

The Township Building fund is \$15,000 less than FY2021.

The Fire Department fund has an increase of \$21,000 over FY2021.

The Parks & Rec fund has an increase of \$2,000 over FY2021.

All other Fund amounts remain unchanged. The overall impact is a levy proposal which is a reduction of about 1 percent for FY2021.

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This 1 percent reduction in the levy proposal is forecasted to reduce the township's average monthly checking account balance by approximately 1 percent. This balance has been a concern for some citizens of our township and I believe that this course of action takes a conservative step in reducing that balance without jeopardizing our ability to meet our obligations.

When we have an unexpected expense of \$20,000.00 that has to be paid from the general fund, it will reduce our checking account balance about 1%.

The township buildings expenses have on average been about \$17,500.00 so that is why we reduced the proposed levy.

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Pamela Blekestad - Treasurer, Fredenberg Township



**PROPOSED 2021 BUDGET**

**PROPOSED 2021 LEVY**

GENERAL FUND	\$68,000.00
TOWNSHIP BUILDINGS	\$30,000.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$78,000.00
CEMETERY	\$1,500.00
PARKS & REC	\$8,000.00
ROAD & BRIDGE	\$150,000.00
BOND REPAYMENT	<u>\$62,000.00</u>

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**TOTAL \$397,500.00**

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RECYCLE CENTER \$9,618.81

but decreased to \$8908.00 because of pandemic closure

\*\*RECYCLE CENTER IS A GRANT AND NOT ADDED INTO THE BUDGET

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Recycle Center costs are through a grant with the WLLSD and not added into the budget or levy.

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