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July 7, 2021 TOWN BOARD ACTIONS

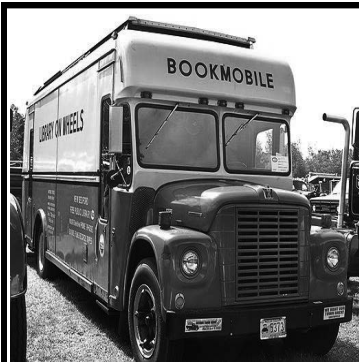
The monthly meeting was **CALLED TO ORDER** at 7:02 pm by Chair Jim Ray. Also, present were Supervisors: Deb Pawlowicz, Walter Rapp, and Tim Wagner. Absent: Supervisor Clay Cich. Monica Bruning, Clerk & Pam Blekestad, Treasurer also present. 27 attended the meeting held in the Town Hall; 7 attended via Zoom. The Board recited the Pledge of the Allegiance. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Walter moved to approve minutes with corrections. Deb seconded with proposed changes. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.** **TREASURER'S REPORT:** as of 5/12/ 2021, checking account did not reconcile due to a CTAS Error of \$12,660.17. Checking account balance is \$188,533.32. Total funds are \$391,450.83, which includes 4 CDs totaling \$202,917.51. Pam provided an overview of instructions from Wells Fargo to bring Township banking documentation up-to-date. Monica will research RE authorization related to Township debit band card. Jim made a motion to accept treasury report, Tim seconded. **4 YEAS. MOTION PASSED.** **CORRESPONDENCE:** 27 total: 3 mail and 24 e-mails were received and reviewed by the Board. **REVIEW OF BILLS:** Jim made motion to accept checks #10413 to #10425, totaling \$50,331.05 with one change to include add'l charges for fence repair. Chair Jim moved to approve. Deb seconded. **4 YEAS and one absent. MOTION PASSED.** **REPORTS:** **Clerk** – PEO assessment payment was received. Starry Skies Lake Superior donated a popcorn machine to the Township! Many thanks. A microphone for Zoom broadcasts was purchased. **Road Report** – Everything was done as planned on Road Review. Skogvei Road will be worked on in August. Chloride for roads has been difficult to secure; work is expected to be done next week. **Fire Department** – During June fire department members responded to nine calls including five medical calls, one automatic fire alarm, one grass fire, one mutual aid structure fire and one report of a motor vehicle accident. Fredenberg and Canosia Fire departments had a joint training on Fire fighter safety -- hands on training on forcible entry, bailing out of a window, chainsaw use and roof ventilation. Some members from Canosia joined with Fredenberg when we visited two farms to learn about large animal behavior and how we can move the animals to safety or a different area if needed during an emergency. Several fire department members staffed a medical/dropout tent for Grandma's marathon. Welcome two new junior members: Kaitlyn and Maddy Johnson. **Cemetery** – Walter called 5 companies for sealing the roadway/entrance – 2 quotes were received. Walter moved to accept quote from A-1 with clarification of description. Tim seconded. **4 YEAS and one absent. MOTION PASSED.** **Parks & Rec** – Pickleball/tennis fences are up. Resurfacing is yet to be completed. Jim sprayed all rec areas for weeds and cleaned up the area. Quote of \$1210 for additional fence work – repairs to existing and extending outfield fence line to prevent passage of snowmobilers. Jim moved to approve. Walter seconded. **4 YEAS and one absent. MOTION PASSED.** **Community Center** –Playground equipment specs and needs changed. Discussion was tabled for Clay's input and potential American Rescue Plan Act cost share. Outdoor cooking equipment is in good working order for Neighborhood Night Out. Door openers will be checked. Supervisors discussed minimum age requirement for custodian position -- 18 years and add to position description. Neighborhood Night Out is planned for August 3 from 5-7. Kids activities/food items were discussed. Investigate insurance requirements for adequate event coverage. **Jim made a motion to authorize**

up to \$2500 for Township contribution. Deb seconded. **4 YEAS and one absent. MOTION PASSED.** Recycle Center George Peterson was hired as an alternate staff. Please do not dump garbage at the Recycling Center unless it is open. OPEN FORUM: Patty Wheeler recited three questions for the Board to respond to related to SLC interest in Fredenberg Twp; Lakehead Trucking and the MPCA report regarding fines; and Board's interests in Township matters. Board members responded with the importance of continuing to work with the County on land use issues; Lakehead violations were discussed, and Walter will continue to contact Commissioner Nelson RE the compliance review plan and on-going communications including documentation and requesting SLC inspection schedule. Bruce Anderson read Exhibit 7 entitled Fredenberg Twp Gravel Pits from June 2 meeting involving the concern about SLC interest in Fredenberg Township. Melissa Bell recited data related to gravel pit interests and issues and requested respect among residents and Board members on the matter. Deb Pawlowicz spoke of her interpersonal relations with Board members and concerns about social media posts. OLD BUSINESS: Grant for Township Road Improvement for East Cook Lake, West Island & Wood Duck Drive – grant was not awarded. Clay will reapply. FCC – Room 2 has been used American Rescue Plan Act – Group present brainstormed ideas like playground equipment; fire department; technology to upgrade; outdoor recreation pickleball; HVAC; Chromebooks for Supervisors to share documents. Hazardous Waste Day was success in 2018 – 128 households participated; in 2019 – 67 households; 2021—58 households brought items. Thanks to the Chesney Auto Salvage and Supervisors Clay and Deb for the extra help. NEW BUSINESS 2021-008 Resolution was read. Discussion centered on adequate length of time timing. **4 YEAS and one absent. MOTION PASSED.** Request granted to advertise for recessed Annual Township Meeting on August 24 in DNT and website Jim corrected number of miles should be included in roadside mowing advertising. Advertise in newsletter, website and newspaper. Walter to moved to advertise. Tim second. Motion to advertise. **4 YEAS and one absent. MOTION PASSED.** Miller Lane will have restricted cutting. Deb shared a resident requests light by dam area. Partnerships were discussed (DNR, Power and Light, ARPA). More exploration is needed. Monica provided an overview of potential civility and conflict resolution training for Board and community. Discussion was tabled until next meeting. No second meeting in July. ADJOURNMENT: Chair Jim made a motion to adjourn meeting, Walter seconded. **5 YEAS. MOTION PASSED.** Meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM.

NEXT FREDENBERG TOWN BOARD MEETING

September 1, 2021 Town Hall and on Zoom

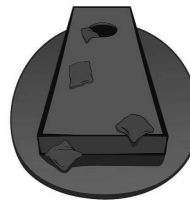
AUG/SEPT ACTIVITIES HAPPENING @ FREDENBERG Community Ctr



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**FREDENBERG TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEETING
RECESSED ON MARCH 9, 2021
WILL RESUME ON**

**AUGUST 24, 2021 AT 7:00 PM
@ the Town Hall and on Zoom
FREDENBERG COMMUNITY CENTER PAVILLION**



Fredenberg Fire Department – Safety Tips for Hazardous Materials

Batteries

- * Used/"dead" batteries can remain a fire hazard. Tape over battery terminals before disposal or recycling
- Replace batteries if they get wet or damaged
- * Keep lithium batteries in a cool dry place.* Only use lithium batteries designed for the device you want to charge
- * Don't overcharge lithium batteries/put lithium batteries in trash.

Flammable substances

- * Fill portable gasoline containers outdoors in a well-ventilated area. Place the container on the ground when filling
- * Seal and store oil, gasoline, paints, propane and varnishes in a shed away from your home
- * Keep flammable items on shelves away from appliances
- * Keep oily rags in a well-ventilated area and away from heat sources.
- * If you have a spill, clean area/put containers in a well-ventilated area. If you cannot control the spill, or are unsure about cleanup and disposal, call your local fire department.

Household chemicals Use

- * Follow label instructions when using household chemicals
- * Don't mix products—can cause deadly gases or cause a fire
- * Wear gloves or goggles when using household chemicals

Storage

- * Follow label instructions when storing household chemicals
- * Store household chemicals in their original containers
- * Never store household chemicals that can cause a fire in the sun or near an open flame or heat source
- * Store household chemicals out of the reach of children/pets
- * Use safety locks/guardrails on shelves & cabinets when storing household chemicals preventing them from falling or tipping

Disposal

- * Follow instructions on labels when throwing home hazardous materials out
- * Aerosol cans might contain chemicals that can burn. If you put

Residents of Fredenberg came to the Community Ctr on August 3rd to celebrate our community. The weather was phenomenal once again—thank you Mother Nature. Hot dogs, cookies, chips, snow cones, and popcorn along with beverages were on the menu. Thank you fellow supervisors Jim Ray, Walter Rapp, Tim Wagner and Clay Cich for helping out.

A special thank you from our community to the following organizations & people for supporting the event.

- * Deb & Bill Roach serving popcorn
- * Joan Sutliff, Claude Wenaas, for serving snow cones
- * Julie Johnson, Ann Cich, Kim Wagner and Kerry Amborn working the serving line
- * Tom Pawlowicz cooking the hotdogs
- * Patty Wheeler and Ellie Chamberland helping out with the drawings.
- * Reservoir Riders & Phillip Lockett, Fredenberg Fire Department and their crew, for bringing over the equipment for us all to view.
- * PJ'S Rescue bringing the adoptable puppies
- * Jim Martindale bringing over the new & improved hot wheel race track. The kids sure enjoy choosing their car to race and then taking them home when done.
- * High Banks Resort, The Fredenberg Minnette, The Blue Max, The Eagles Nest Resort all gave gift certificates.
- * Lakehead Trucking for the dirt/gravel donation as well.

Deb Pawlowicz, Supervisor & Nite Out Coordinator



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