

**Minutes Board of Town Trustees**

STATE OF ILLINOIS,  
COUNTY OF LAKE  
TOWN OF FREMONT

The Fremont Township Board of Trustees met at 22385 W. Illinois Route 60, Mundelein, IL 60060 on December 8, 2014 to conduct a **Regular Meeting.**

**ELECTED OFFICIALS:**

Diana O’Kelly	Supervisor
Christina McCann	Town Clerk
Bill Grinnell	Highway Commissioner
Ed Sullivan, Jr.	Assessor
Jeralyn Atleson	Town Trustee
Tami Forman	Town Trustee
Chic Martin	Town Trustee
Connie Shanahan	Town Trustee

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE**

Supervisor O’Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Supervisor O’Kelly, Trustee Atleson, Trustee Forman, Trustee Shanahan. Absent: Trustee Martin

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT**

Clerk McCann

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Charles Bartels, Jeff Covert, Rose Marie Domeny, Judy Hammel, Dan Prezell, Pat Stejskal

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Trustee Forman moved and Trustee Shanahan seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the November 3, 2014 Regular Meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

**5. CORRESPONDENCE**

- Received a thank you note from a family who participated in the Thanksgiving basket program. They especially appreciated the fresh vegetables.

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

**7.1 2014 Town Levy**

- **Trustee Shanahan moved and Trustee Forman seconded the motion to adopt Fremont Township Ordinance No. 250, levying taxes for the purposes of the General Town and General Assistance funds in the amount of \$1,198,312.00. All in favor, motion carried.**

**ROLL CALL**

**AYE: Trustee Atleson, Trustee Forman, Trustee Shanahan**

**NAY: None**

**ABSENT: Trustee Martin**

**DISCUSSION**

Charles Bartels asked what the rates will be for the 2014 Town and Road Levies. The Clerk explained rates are determined by the County after they have final numbers for EAV, state multiplier, new construction, etc. The actual rates are typically announced in April or May of the following year. Mr. Bartels requested the rates for the 2013 Levies.

**7.2 2014 Road District Levy**

- **Trustee Shanahan moved and Trustee Forman seconded the motion to adopt Fremont Township Ordinance No. 251, levying taxes for the purposes of the Road and Bridge and Permanent Road funds in the amount of \$1,500,000.00. All in favor, motion carried.**

**ROLL CALL**

**AYE: Trustee Atleson, Trustee Forman, Trustee Shanahan**

**NAY: None**

**ABSENT: Trustee Martin**

**7.3 Northwest Demonstration Project Funding**

- **Trustee Forman moved and Trustee Shanahan seconded the motion to approve Agreement Between the County of Lake and the Township of Fremont for the Provision of Paratransit Transportation Services Funding from November 1, 2014 through October 31, 2015. All in favor, motion carried.**

**7.4 Pace Dial-A-Ride Funding**

- **Trustee Forman moved and Trustee Shanahan seconded the motion to approve Local Share Agreement between Pace and Fremont Township from January 1, 2015 through December 19, 2015. All in favor, motion carried.**

**7.5 2015 Fremont Township Board and Parks Committee Meeting Schedules**

- **Trustee Atleson moved and Trustee Forman seconded the motion to approve the 2015 Board and Parks Committee Meeting Schedules with one modification. The April 13 Regular Board Meeting will be held prior to the Annual Town Meeting on April 14, 2014 at 5:45 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.**

**7.6 Furnace Replacement**

- **Trustee Forman moved and Trustee Shanahan seconded the motion to approve quote from Northern Air Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$4,547.00 to replace smaller furnace providing heat to board room. All in favor, motion carried.**

**8. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**8.1 Parks**

On November 20, 2014 members of the Parks Committee met with representatives from the user groups including football, baseball and soccer associations. Each user group presented year-end updates, including very favorable comments regarding improvements made by Fremont Township, especially the new restrooms at Behm Park and the parking facilities and fencing at Ivanhoe Community Club Park.

**Behm Park**

2015 Projected Capital & Maintenance Improvements for Behm Park

- Install pickle ball courts / relocation of basketball court
- Construct garbage / recycling centers
- Stallions will replace carpeted areas on football field
- Install signage at entrance of park
- Install privacy screens / door closures on exterior of bathrooms
- Repaint soccer goals
- Repaint field goal posts / install new wind flags
- Repair drainage on first base side of both baseball fields

Two memorial trees have been planted at Behm Park.

**Ivanhoe Park**

2015 Projected Capital & Maintenance Improvements for Ivanhoe Community Club Park:

- Finish landscaping around newly paved parking lot
- Stake down new parking blocks
- Finish PVC fence around Port-O-Let portable toilets
- Install 8 to 16 new trees

**8.2 Well & Water**

- Tim Cardwell recently retired as Chair of the Well and Water Committee. Supervisor O’Kelly will meet with committee members in January to determine the status, and future goals for the committee.
- Fremont Township thanks Mr. Cardwell for his leadership and commitment to water issues in and around Fremont Township.

**9. CERT REPORT**

Team Leader Pat Stejskal reported on the following:

- The Team previously submitted a \$5,000.00 funding proposal to the Township for the 2015/2016 budget cycle. Township funding will be used primarily for training and outreach.
- The Team also submitted a funding proposal to the Lake County Health Department and plans to use those funds to defray equipment expenses.
- On January 26, 2014 The Team will present an informational session at the Fremont Public Library entitled “Until Help Arrives”.
- 2015 Basic CERT Training sessions will be held on Tuesday evenings between February 17 and March 24. Applications are available on the website and at the Township Administrative Center.

**10. ELECTED OFFICIAL REPORTS**

**Assessor - none**

**Clerk**

Clerk McCann reported on the following:

- Met with elections rep from Lake County Clerk’s Office to review issues regarding parking and lighting in the community room. For future elections the County will provide clip on lights for each voting booth, and supply temporary handicap parking signs for spots closer to the door.
- Old record books are currently being scanned and will eventually be uploaded to the website in pdf format.
- Filing project at the Highway Department is taking longer than expected. There are years of documents stored in boxes that need to be organized, labeled and filed accordingly.
- Received a FOIA request from Laborers Local 152 for certified payroll from Northstar Concrete for the month of April 2014.
- Internet bandwidth has been increased, but continue to experience connectivity issues and very slow download/upload speeds. It was suggested Internet service be considered when planning the 2015/2016 budget.

**Highway Commissioner - None**

**Supervisor**

Supervisor O’Kelly reported on the following:

- This year’s Thanksgiving Basket Program was very successful with each basket including a turkey donated by Eli’s Pancake House in Mundelein, fresh produce from the community garden, and assorted shelf items. Residents in need are extremely grateful for the Township’s coordinating this donation program.
- An anonymous resident recently donated one hundred \$25.00 Aldi gift cards and approximately \$500.00 to be used for the 2014 Adopt a Family Holiday Program, and food pantry handouts. Generous donations such as this allow the Township to provide gifts and food for dozens of Fremont residents each holiday season.
- The Township thanks Nancy Lech for coordinating and facilitating the holiday programs each year.

**Trustees**

The Trustees reported on the following:

- Trustee Forman was congratulated on her cheerleading team’s recent victories at state competitions. Three out of four teams practicing at Behm Park were awarded state titles.
- Trustee Atleson reported fresh garden produce was included in this year’s Thanksgiving Baskets for qualified Fremont residents. The garden is closed for the year.

**11. GA/EA/FOOD PANTRY REPORT**

The following statistics are for the month of November 2013:

- Zero residents received GA with medical
- Zero residents received GA without medical
- Zero residents received Emergency Assistance
- Ninety (90) residents utilized the food pantry
- Twenty Nine residents applied for LIHEAP assistance
- Zero taxi coupons were issued
- Thirteen (13) residents participated in the Diaper Bank Program
- One (1) resident applied for NICOR Sharing Program

**12. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Fremont resident Chuck Bartels introduced himself as the newly elected District 10 representative on the Lake County Board. He encouraged residents to contact him with questions or issues and stated he looks forward to working closely with Fremont Township. The Township wishes Mr. Bartels much success on the County Board.

**13. APPROVAL OF BILLS**

- **Trustee Forman moved and Trustee Shanahan seconded the motion to audit and approve for payment of Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of \$15,630.48. All in favor, motion carried.**

**ROLLCALL**

**AYE: Trustee Atleson, Trustee Forman, Trustee Shanahan  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Trustee Martin**

- **Trustee Shanahan moved and Trustee Forman seconded the motion to audit and approve for payment of the Permanent Road Fund in the amount of \$82,096.33. All in favor, motion carried.**

**ROLL CALL**

**AYE: Trustee Atleson, Trustee Forman, Trustee Shanahan  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Trustee Martin**

- **Trustee Forman moved and Trustee Shanahan seconded the motion to audit and approve for payment of the General Town Fund in the amount of \$68,639.84. Motion carried.**

**ROLL CALL**

**AYE: Trustee Forman, Trustee Shanahan  
NAY: None**

**ABSTAIN: Trustee Atleson**

**ABSENT: Trustee Martin**

DISCUSSION

Trustee Atleson inquired about expenses for park maintenance. Supervisor O’Kelly explained insulation was installed in the maintenance building, fall fertilizer was purchased for all fields and there were other miscellaneous expenses related to closing the parks for the year. Trustee Atleson questioned why some items are not capitalized, and the amount listed for Highway Department health insurance. It was suggested she speak to the bookkeeper regarding categorizing line items.

- **Trustee Forman moved and Trustee Shanahan seconded the motion to audit and approve for payment of General Assistance Fund in the amount of \$5381.63. All in favor, motion carried.**

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION – None

15. ADJOURN

- **Trustee Forman moved and Trustee Shanahan seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.**