

Village of Freeport
Council Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2023

A regular monthly meeting was held November 13, 2023 at the Freeport Community Center. Village President Bill Andrews called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm.

Other council members present – Trustees Lani Forbes, Damon Cove, Madison Cove, Treasurer Joyce Callihan, and Clerk Shari Clark. Absent - Trustee Shawn Hill.

Staff present – Water Operator Duane Weeks, DPW Director Collin Crumback, and Brian Allbright.

The minutes of the October 9, 2023 meeting and the October 16, 2023 special meeting were approved.

No Police Report was read due to recent resignations within the police department.

No public comment.

Treasurer's report was read by Callihan.

Moved by D.Cove and supported by M.Cove to pay monthly bills totaling \$130,827.16. Upon roll call, all voted "Aye". Motion passed.

Water Operator Report was read by Weeks. He is waiting on a quote from Cummins Inc. for annual preventative maintenance service of the village generator. Water Tower operations are going smoothly, an on site visit with EGLE engineers will occur on December 12th.

DPW Report was read by Crumback. Leaf pick up will end November 30th. Suggested consideration be given for concrete flooring in the concession stand. Crumback will follow up with Rob Neil, City of Hastings to pick up street poles.

Village Resolution #23-06 TO ESTABLISH COMPENSATION FOR VILLAGE COUNCIL was offered by Council Member Damon Cove and supported by Council Member Lani Forbes. Upon roll call, the following voted "Aye": Damon Cove, Madison Cove, Lani Forbes, and Bill Andrews. "Nay": *(none)*. Absent: Shawn Hill. Motion passed; President Andrews declared the resolution adopted. Any objections may be heard at the next meeting.

Correspondence was read from Munn Manufacturing regarding future donations.

Announcements – Christmas Lighting Contest flier for Freeport residences or businesses was shared. The Holly Trolley and Santa Claus will be in Freeport on Saturday December 9th from 7:15 – 9:30pm. See flier for details.

The meeting adjourned at 7:49pm.

The next COW meeting will be December 5th and regular Council Meeting will be held December 11th.

Submitted by Shari Clark, Village Clerk