

Village of Freeport
Committee of the Whole
Minutes
April 2, 2024

Village President Bill Andrews called the meeting to order at 6:52 pm.

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

Staff Members present – DPW Director Collin Crumback. Absent - Water Operator Duane Weeks.

No Public Comment.

Reports:

Administration

There have been two resumés received from applicants for cleaning & rental of hall, nothing yet for the Police Department. Council will wait for additional applicants before discussing further.

IT support offered from a management company VC3, council is not interested at this time.

Crumback & Clark continue to attempt access to cemetery software, may reach out to Irving Township (Lorraine Bush) who uses same system.

Water

No report.

Buildings, Streets, & Grounds

Crumback will work on getting a trailer to haul street light poles from Hastings to deliver to VP Coatings / West Michigan Powder Coating (Lamar Schrock).

East Street Bridge Project is underway; Crumback needs locate & mark water line on east side of bridge.

Parks & Recreation

Barry County Parks & Recreation Mini-Grant Program application is due by May 3, 2024. M.Cove emailed information to report that she has been working with Floor Care Concepts to get a quote about converting the cement slab into a pickleball court with potential of 2 maybe 3 courts.

Crumback asked for a tree removal budget to be set. He plans to start marking some dead trees.

Crumback inquired about selling options of the old lawn mower and police vehicles. Forbes will research MDC equipment and what is owned by Central Dispatch.

Police

President Andrews will follow up to determine if an outgoing message can be recorded on the answering machine in Freeport Police office.

The meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm.

The next COW meeting will be held May 7, 2024.