

Village of Freeport
Council Meeting Minutes
June 10, 2024

A regular monthly meeting of the Freeport Village Council was held June 10, 2024 at the Freeport Community Center. Village President Bill Andrews called the meeting to order at 7:36 pm.

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

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

The minutes of the May 13, 2024 meeting were approved.

Public comments were heard from Kathy Kunde inquiring about village policy regarding residents dumping brush at the cemetery. She also suggested making council meeting agendas, resolutions, etc. be made more available to the public.

Treasurer's Report was read by Callihan.

Moved by Cove and supported by Forbes to pay monthly bills totaling \$10,072.22. Upon roll call, all voted "Aye". Motion passed.

Water Operator Weeks reported that the 2023 Water Quality Report (Consumers Confidence Report) will be distributed to all water bill-paying customers by July 1st, submitted to the state & health department, and posted at several locations as required.

EGLE requested verification of lead service lines of which the village sought out a grant to replace. The village responded and is currently waiting to hear back if the grant will be awarded.

DPW Report was read by Crumback. He is following up with residents wanting to have new sidewalks and seek out quotes to be presented at next meeting. Planning to get major potholes filled within the next couple of weeks. Scott Civil Engineering will submit EGLE Permit to MDOT authorizing work at East Street Bridge over Coldwater River (place 140-cubic yards of riprap along the existing abutments. Recess below the stream channel and channel banks). He is still marking trees, will get a quote for five to be removed including stump removal.

Forbes & Andrews have inspected street poles in Hastings. Need to determine how many are needed, select height, look at placement, and coordinate underground electric with sidewalk replacement.

Trustee Lani Forbes offered RESOLUTION #24-02 TRANSPORTATION ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT and supported by Trustee Damon Cove applying for \$50,700.00 funding through MDOT to resurface St. Johns and Beech Streets. Upon Roll Call "Ayes": Lani Forbes, Damon Cove, and Bill Andrews. "Nays": none. Absent: Trustees Madison Cove and Shawn Hill. President Bill Andrews declared the resolution adopted.

Moved by Forbes and supported by Cove to order a 2024 Ford Explorer police pursuit vehicle not to exceed cost of \$45,000.00. Upon roll call, all voted "Aye". Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:14 pm.

The next COW meeting will be held July 2, 2024 at 6:30 pm.

The next regular Council Meeting will be held July 8, 2024 at 7:30 pm.

Submitted by Shari Clark, Village Clerk