

Village of Freeport
Committee of the Whole
Minutes
July 7, 2026

President Bill Andrews called the meeting to order at 6:42 pm.

Others present – Trustees Hannah Clewell, Amanda Faunce, & Lani Forbes, Clerk Shari Clark, Treasurer Joyce Callihan, Water Operator/DPW Director Collin Crumback, and Back Up Water Operator Duane Weeks. Staff present – Shane Faunce.

Absent – Police Chief Tim Griffin.

No Public Comment.

Reports:

Administration

Forbes reported that she spoke with a resident interested in the Trustee vacancy.

The Final Fixed Asset Listing prepared by the auditor was deemed acceptable. Next fiscal year some additions should be added and disposal of equipment sold in March 2026.

Village Rezoning Application & Fee will be updated at the next council meeting.

Water

Crumback reported that chlorine issues have been resolved following recent water line repairs.

Consumers Confidence Report 2025 has been submitted on time and posting requirements have been met. All routine water monitoring samplings are on schedule.

Weeks & Crumback are reviewing the rate study conducted in 2021, Village Ordinance regulations, and verifying size of meters to determine if any ready-to-serve rates should be adjusted. After their research is completed, they will make a recommendation to council for approval.

Weeks will follow up with Williams & Works regarding invoices listing cost breakdown correctly so Forbes can submit eligible LSLR grant expenses for reimbursement.

Buildings, Streets, & Grounds

Crumback requested consideration of funds to be allocated to cover expenses for necessary tree trimming & removal due to storm damage.

Forbes will follow up with the state regarding placing the MDOT TEDF Grant project to resurface Warren & Maple Streets (from St. Johns St to Race St) out for bid.

Crumback will inquire with Scott Civil Engineering regarding upcoming state mandated bridge inspection. Forbes asked to find out what rating has been set for the bridge.

Parks & Recreation

Crumback reported that weeds are removed from the pickle ball courts, caulking will be next.

Youth volunteers will be coming tomorrow to sweep Main Street.

The new slide for the park has been installed. Hannah Clewell was thanked for her work locating one. Appreciation was expressed to Thornapple Credit Union for their volunteer work on Juneteenth.

Police

Blough Automotive police vehicle repair estimate was reviewed to be presented at the next council meeting for approval.

Public Input – Thank You to the many people who stepped up to help during the recent storm.

The meeting adjourned at 7:24 pm.

The next COW meeting will be held August 4, 2026.