

The Fremont Town Board held their Regular Town Board Meeting on August 12, 2025 at 7:00 PM.

Deputy Supervisor Smith called the Meeting to order at 7:00pm; led the Pledge of Allegiance, Council Member Soukup gave the invocation.

Present Town Board: Deputy Supervisor Cynthia Smith, Council Member Dean Kiefer, Council Member Mary Soukup and Council Member Seth Hilton.

Absent Town Board: Supervisor Emily Murray

Other Officials: Tom Flansburg, Highway Superintendent and Domenica Burns, ZBA, William Thew, Legislator

There were three people attending the meeting.

Reports of Public Officials were read and are on file: Justice Madeliene Seaman, Assessor Holley Smalt, Chuck Cagle, Code Enforcement Officer, Debra Matthews, Dog Control Officer.

Chuck Cagle went over his report and then explained what the process was for residents that do not comply with the Town regulations. A long discussion began regarding the process.

Superintendent Flansburg reported that they are grading Osborn Road which took 40 loads and is currently working on Pinchen Road. Currently on Rider Road with a plugged pipe. He and Cindy spent 6 hours going over the speeding fines, \$21,500 in finds. He asked if the Town Board wanted to do a sealed bid on the Peterbilt water truck? They agreed it should be sold locally if possible. A short discussion began about the way to sell it.

The Zoning Board stated that the Smith's was going ahead with their project.

Old Business:

Resolution #188 Approve the Minutes from July 8, 2025

Motion by Council Member Kiefer seconded by Council Member Soukup Resolution #188 was adopted: Resolved to approve the Minutes for July 8, 2025 Town Board Meeting. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Smith aye, Kiefer abstain, Soukup aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

New Business:

Resolution #189 Approve the Ad and Sale of the Peterbilt Truck

Motion by Council Member Hilton seconded by Council Member Kiefer Resolution #189 was adopted. Resolved to approve the Ad and Sale of the Peterbilt Truck with a Sealed Bid. Roll Call of votes; Smith aye, Soukup aye, Kiefer aye, Hilton aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

The Town Clerk requested approval to purchase a new photo copier. The current one is 7 years old.

Resolution #190 Approval to Acquire Quotes for a New Copy Machine

Motion by Council Member Kiefer seconded by Council Member Hilton Resolution #190 was adopted. Resolved to approve the clerk to acquire quotes for a new copy machine. Roll Call of Votes: Kefer aye, Hilton aye, Soukup aye, Smith aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Deputy Supervisor Smith said it is time to appoint Holley Smalt as assessor for a 6-year term.

A long discussion began regarding appointing Holley Smalt as the Assessor for the next 6 years. Janet Olin questioned the Board as to whether they did anything when she asked about looking for another assessor. The Board did not do anything. Janet Olin suggested that the residents are not happy with her and the residents should decide and Council Member Kiefer suggested having a special meeting so the public can attend. Dan Hammond stated that she would not answer his questions. Council Member Hilton said we should have a Special Meeting for the public. If anyone wants to speak there will be a 2-minute time limit. So, the assessor appointment was tabled until next month.

Resolution #191 Approve an Ad for a Special Meeting on September 9 at 6:30pm

Motion by Council Member Kiefer seconded by Council Member Soukup Resolution #191 was adopted: Resolved to approve an ad for Special Meeting on September 9, 2025 at 6:30pm. Roll Call of Votes: Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Soukup aye, Hilton aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

The purchase of new tables was tabled until next month so the Board can review the quotes.

The disposition of the current tables and chairs was discussed. There are 10 tables and 67 metal chairs. They are not in good shape. It was decided to give them away. The Clerk will put it on the Website and Facebook.

Resolution #192 Approve the Giving Away of the Table and Chairs

Motion by Council Member Hilton seconded by Deputy Supervisor Smith Resolution #192 was adopted: Resolved to approve the giving away of the tables and chairs. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Hilton aye, Smith aye, Soukup aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

The Baldwin's budget meeting will be September 4, 2025 from 1-2:30pm Attending are Supervisor Murray, Council Member Smith and Highway Superintendent Flansburg

Resolution #193 Approve to Pay the Bills

Motion by Council Member Soukup seconded by Council Member Kiefer Resolution #193 was adopted: Resolved to approve to pay the bills in the amount of Highway \$19,056.94 and General \$17,716.23 totaling \$36,773.17. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Hilton aye, Smith aye, Soukup aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #194 Approval of Supervisor's Monthly Statement

Motion by Council Member Kiefer seconded by Council Member Soukup Resolution #194 was adopted. Resolved to approve the Supervisor's Report. Roll Call of Votes: Smith aye, Soukup aye, Kiefer aye, Hilton aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

William Thew, Legislator just wanted to let the Board know that they can contact him if they need anything.

Public Comments:

Dan Hammond asked if the speeding tickets could be processed faster. They are speeding on his road a lot. He is sick of it. Bob Syzmanski stated that maybe the Town could hire a police presence.

Mary Soukup stated she received a call from Molly Clymo asking to be compensated for her crops on Canfield Road. Mary was told to have Molly contact the wind company about reimbursement. She also asked about the golden nematodes and if the wind company was adhering to the process. A short discussion took place. She then asked about Article 78 regarding the \$80,000 check from the wind company if it had arrived and where it came from. It had not arrived yet.

Janet Olin asked if the Special Meeting would end at 7:00 when the Regular Board Meeting starts. Deputy Supervisor Smith stated yes. The Town Clerk told her that each member would get 2 minutes to speak.

Deputy Supervisor Smith motioned to end the meeting all were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50PM

Susan M. Peck
Fremont Town Clerk