The Fremont Town Board held a Public Hearing regarding the 2026 Proposed Budget for the Town of Fremont.

<u>Present Town Board:</u> Supervisor Emily Murray, Council Member Cynthia Smith, Council Member Dean Kiefer, Council Member Mary Soukup and Council Member Seth Hilton.

Supervisor Murray asked if there were any questions.

Supervisor Murray ended the meeting at 6:35PM. All were in favor.

October 14, 2025 Town Board Meeting 7:00PM

The Fremont Town Board held their Regular Town Board Meeting on October 14, 2025 at the Town Hall in Fremont.

Supervisor Murray called the Meeting to order at 7:00pm; led the Pledge of Allegiance, Council Member Soukup gave the invocation and moment of silence for Jane Goodall and Charles Kirk and wished David Pullen well.

<u>Present Town Board:</u> Supervisor Emily Murray, Council Member Cynthia Smith, Council Member Dean Kiefer, Council Member Mary Soukup and Council Member Seth Hilton.

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

There were seven people attending the meeting.

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

Code Officer Chuck Cagle introduced Shannon Fitzgerald and explained to the Board about the Order of Remedy. She explained that she has been working on cleaning up the outside of the house. She has children so she can only go up there a couple of days a week. Chuck told her she needed to clean the inside of the house out. He will contact her in thirty days and look at what she has done to date. He will report back to the Board at the November meeting. Chuck stated that if anyone plans on building a house in 2026 should do the permit in 2025. In 2026, everything will be required to be all electric.

Superintendent Flansburg reported that they are grading roads and ditching. Getting everything ready for winter. He stated that the fines have been dropped from \$18,000 to \$9,000 and Baron Wind has not paid them yet. He asked if the Town Clerk could send an email to them regarding payment.

There was no new business for the ZBA.

Old Business:

Resolution #206 Approve the Minutes from September 9, 2025

Motion by Council Member Soukup seconded by Council Member Smith Resolution #206 was adopted: Resolved to approve the Minutes for September 9, 2025 Town Board Meeting. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Smith aye, Kiefer abstain, Soukup aye, Murray aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 1 Abstain.

Resolution #207 Approve the Minutes from October 7, 2025 Budget Workshop-Special Meeting

Motion by Council Member Kiefer seconded by Council Member Hilton Resolution #207 was adopted: Resolved to approve the Minutes for October 7, 2025 Special Town Board Meeting. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Soukup aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

New Business:

Supervisor Murray asked if there were any other questions regarding the 2026 Budget.

Janet Olin asked about a couple of items and was satisfied with the Supervisor's responses. There were no other questions.

Resolution #208 Approve the 2026 Budget for the Town of Fremont

Motion by Supervisor Murray seconded by Council Member Kiefer Resolution #208 was adopted: Resolved to approve the 2026 Budget for the Town of Fremont. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Soukup aye, Hilton aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

A short discussion began regarding replacing the current Toshiba. The Town Clerk gave the Board some information such as the photocopier was leased in 2018 and purchased in 2021 for \$2092.00. The maintenance agreement was \$108.94 quarterly and included 10,587 copies. The new Toshiba is an e-Studio3528A and costs \$#3129.00 with a maintenance contract of \$89.99 quarterly. This contract also includes 10, 587 copies.

Resolution #209 Approve the Purchase of the e-Studio3528A Toshiba

Motion by Council Member Soukup seconded by Council Member Smith Resolution #209 was adopted: Resolved to approve the purchase of the e-Studio3528A Toshiba for \$3129.00. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Hilton aye, Smith aye, Soukup aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #210 Approve the Monthly Statement of Supervisor

Motion by Council Member Soukup seconded by Council Member Kiefer Resolution #210 was adopted: Resolved to approve the monthly Statement of Supervisor. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Hilton aye, Smith aye, Soukup aye, Murray abstain. 4 Aye 0 Nay 1 Abstain

Resolution #211 Approve to Pay the Bills

Motion by Council Member Hilton seconded by Council Member Soukup Resolution #211 was adopted: Resolved to approve to pay the bills in the amount of Highway \$349,110.98 and General \$15,233.58 totaling \$364,344.56. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Hilton aye, Smith aye, Soukup aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain

Public Comments:

Mike Smith asked if the shoulders on Pinchen Road were going to be brought up to the meet the road? Superintendent Flansburg said he would go up and take a look and fix it. Mr. Smith also asked about the residents getting a truckload of gravel from the town? Supervisor Murray stated that you cannot give away town property but will check with the attorney to make sure she is correct in her statement.

There were no other comments.

Supervisor Murray motioned to end the meeting with Council Member Smith seconded and all were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45PM

Susan M. Peck Fremont Town Clerk