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The regular meeting of the Fremont Town Council was called to order by Council President Linda Fulton at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 21, 2026, at the Fremont Town Hall. Councilmembers Dr. William Stitt, Barry Wilcox and Scott Glendening were also present. This meeting is live streamed and available on our town website at <https://townoffremont.org>.

Others representing the Town were:

Mary K. Parsons, IAMCA, MMC, ACPFA, ACPFIM, CMO, CPM Clerk-Treasurer

Becky Maggart, IAMC, Chief Deputy Clerk-Zoning Administrator

Tara Johnson, Deputy Clerk

Tony Shook, Town Manager

Kurt Bachman, Town Attorney

Joe Patterson, Town Marshal

Travis Smoker, Deputy Town Marshal

Mark Hamm, Deputy Town Marshal

Eric Hufnagle, Fire Chief

Jeff Grimm, Street Superintendent

Jimmy Masters, Wastewater Superintendent

Others in attendance were:

Todd Thurber, DLZ

Isaac Lee, SCEDC

Rick Deller, Town Resident

Kelly Eicher, Town Resident

Shelly McFarland, Town Resident

Arlene Hufnagle, Town Resident

Approval of Minutes- Councilmember Dr. William Stitt made a motion to approve the June minutes, second by Councilmember Scott Glendening, all in favor.

Approval of Claims, Payroll, Comp Time, Fund Report and Appropriation Report- Councilmember Barry Wilcox moved to approve claims, payroll, comp time, Fund and Appropriation as presented, second by Councilmember Scott Glendening, all in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

DLZ Updates- Todd Thurber from DLZ said 2025 streets and alley are almost completed and 2026 streets started today.

NEW BUSINESS:

Utility Credits- Councilmember William Stitt made a motion to approve the credits as presented, second by Councilmember Barry Wilcox, all in favor.

CF-1- Isaac Lee from Steuben County Economic Development Corporation asked Council to approve the personal property tax abatement and he is recommending that they are in compliance. Councilmember

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Barry Wilcox motioned to approve as presented, second by Councilmember Scott Glendening, all in favor. Isaac Lee also said there are some changes being implemented with having a tax abatement amount under a \$2 million amount. He will update us when he gets the information.

Tree Removal Quote- Council President Linda Fulton presented two quotes for removal of trees in the tree lawn and dead trees. The quotes were from Atop Tree Removal for \$26,000 for tree removal and \$7,300 for grinding and clean up and Sevits for \$22,000 for all. Councilmember Barry Wilcox motioned to approve Sevits as presented, second by Councilmember Dr. William Stitt, all in favor.

Quote on uplights- Town Manager Tony Shook presented a quote for new lights that would plug into the existing electrical on the down town trees for lighting to shine upward and eliminate the need to use lights on the trees themselves during the holiday season and would be able to have the color changed throughout the year to coordinate with the current season. The quote from Clear Lake Electric for \$7,975 for twelve lights installed. Councilmember Scott Glendening motioned to approve the quote from Clear Lake electric, second by Councilmember Barry Wilcox, all in favor.

Plan Commission- Town Council President Linda Fulton said John Nigro resigned from the Plan Commission so the Council would need to appoint one of the five who have asked to be considered for the position. The five candidates are Missy Wilcox and TR Hagerty who both also sit on the BZA, Zach Burnau, Sue Hutchinson, and Dylan Huffman. Councilmember Scott Glendening motioned to appoint Dylan Huffman, motion died due to lack of second. Councilmember Dr. William Stitt motioned to appoint Zach Burnau, second by Scott Glendening, all in favor. Zach Burnau will fill out the remainder of the term for John Nigro.

Ordinance 2026-03-imposing Moratorium- Council President Linda Fulton asked Kurt Bachman, Town Attorney, to explain the Ordinance. Town Attorney, Kurt Bachman said this Ordinance is not to stop any of the listed from being in our zoning area, but to impose a stop for up to a year while we can get the requirements that are wanted into an Ordinance. The Plan Commission sent a favorable recommendation via Resolution to the Town Council. Councilmember Scott Glendening motioned to approve as presented, second by Councilmember Dr. William Stitt, all in favor. Councilmember Scott Glendening motioned to waive the second reading, second by Councilmember Barry Wilcox, all in favor.

Ordinance 2026-04-abolish Record Perpetuation Fund- This Fund is no longer needed since we no longer have a Court. The funds left would be moved to the General Fund. Councilmember Dr. William Stitt motioned to approve the Ordinance as presented, second by Councilmember Barry Wilcox, all in favor. Councilmember Barry Wilcox motioned to waive the second reading, second by Councilmember Dr. William Stitt, all in favor.

Ordinance 2026-05-Building/Zoning fees fund- This is a new fund being mandated by the state to create. This fund will not be used until the start of January 2027 and starting then all zoning fees will be receipted into this fund. Councilmember Scott Glendening motioned to approve as presented, second by Councilmember Barry Wilcox, all in favor. Councilmember Barry Wilcox motioned to waive the second reading, second by Councilmember Dr. William Stitt, all in favor.

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Ordinance 2026-06- Volunteer Fire Department Billing Policy- This would allow to bill for hazmat spills in the surrounding area. Councilmember Dr. William Stitt motioned to approve as presented, second by Councilmember Barry Wilcox, all in favor. Councilmember Dr. William Stitt motioned to waive the second reading, second by Councilmember Barry Wilcox, all in favor.

REPORTS:

Town Manager: Report was submitted. Town Manager Tony Shook asked Council to approve the purchase of ten new picnic tables for the pavilion. Tony gave Council President Lina Fulton a quote from Barco for \$5,290. and a quote from Uline for \$5,750. Councilmember Scott Glendening motioned to approve Barco as presented, second by Councilmember Barry Wilcox, all in favor.

Fire: Report was submitted. Nothing to add.

Police: Report was submitted. Town Marshal Joe Patterson asked Council to approve a new vehicle purchase. Councilmember Dr. William Stitt motioned to approve as presented, second by Councilmember Scott Glendening, all in favor. Joe also asked for new tires for Officer Hamm's vehicle and a new vest for Officer Steele. Councilmember Dr. William Stitt motioned to approve as presented, second by Councilmember Barry Wilcox, all in favor. Joe also mentioned that their Lexipol Contract Policy and Controls will need to be updated and this will need to be looked over by Kurt Bachman, Town Attorney. Joe also said that Cardinal IG donated funds to purchase a bite suit and would request a volunteer to try it out for a photo to send to Cardinal IG. Council President, Linda Fulton volunteered to wear the suit.

Zoning: Report was submitted. Nothing to add.

Street: Report was submitted. Nothing to add. Town Council President, Linda Fulton, wanted to thank the Street Department for all the hard work for set up and tear down of Music Fest. Jeff Grimm Street Superintendent said it was a group effort and all employees helped.

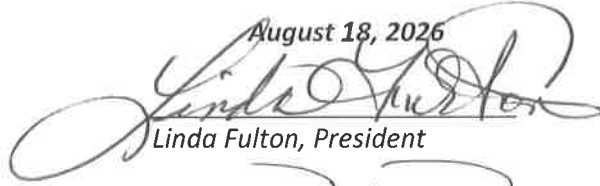
Water: Report was submitted.

Wastewater: Report was submitted. Nothing to add.

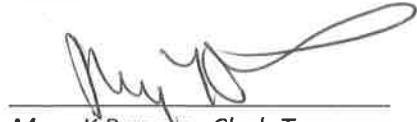
Park: Report was submitted.

Motion to adjourn at 5:06 p.m. by Councilmember Dr. William Stitt, second by Councilmember Scott Glendening, all in favor.

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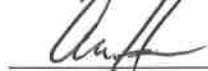

Linda Fulton, President

Attest:


Mary K Parsons, Clerk-Treasurer
IAMCA, MMC, ACPFA, ACPFIM, CMO, CPM


Dr. William Stitt, Vice President


Barry Wilcox, Member


Ashlee Hoos, Member


Scott Glendening, Member