

November 18, 2025

The Public Hearing and regular meeting of the Fremont Town Council was called to order by Council President Linda Fulton at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 18, 2025, at the Fremont Town Hall. Councilmembers Dr. William Stitt, Barry Wilcox, Ashlee Hoos and Scott Glendening were also present. This meeting is live streamed and is available on our town website at townoffremont.org.

Others representing the Town were:

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

Becky Maggart, IAMC, Chief Deputy Clerk-Zoning Administrator

Kurt Bachman, Town Attorney

Joe Patterson, Town Marshal

Bo Bauhof, Water Department Employee

Others in attendance were:

Todd Thurber, DLZ

Rick Deller, Town Resident

Chris Emerick, Steuben County Sheriff Deputy

Public Hearing- The Public Hearing was for 60 W. 5th St., Fremont, IN 46737 that has a Nuisance Violation. Nuisance Enforcement Officer, Becky Maggart, presented the Council with a recommendation of a continuance until March 17, 2025, to give the trailer park owners time to get legal access to the property after the eviction. Councilmember Dr. William Stitt motioned to approve as presented, second by Councilmember Barry Wilcox, all in favor.

Council President Linda Fulton closed the Public Hearing at 5:32 p.m. and opened the regular Town Council meeting.

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

Approval of Claims, Payroll, Comp Time, Fund Report and Appropriation Report- Councilmember Ashlee Hoos moved to approve claims, payroll, comp time, Fund and Appropriation reports as presented, with the addition of a bill from Indiana Pump Works for \$8,000 if approved by Jimmy Masters, the Wastewater Superintendent, second by Councilmember Dr. William Stitt, all in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

DLZ Updates- Todd Thurber from DLZ said the street projects are all complete, and API will be starting in the spring. Todd Thurber from DLZ let the Council know the Community Crossing Grant application was submitted in October and the awards should be announced in December. Todd Thurber from DLZ asked for permission to advertise for Bids for the East Alley project as it is under \$150,000. Councilmember Barry Wilcox motioned to approve as presented, second by Councilmember Scott Glendening, all in favor. Todd Thurber from DLZ also said the evaluation for the water plant was complete and he would need approval to submit an SRF application. Councilmember Barry Wilcox motioned to approve as presented, second by Councilmember Ashlee Hoos, all in favor.

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SCEDC Contract- Council President Linda Fulton presented the 2026 contract for \$14,400. Councilmember Dr. William Stitt motioned to approve the contract as presented, second by Councilmember Barry Wilcox, all in favor. Council President Linda Fulton said Council needed to appoint a member for the SCEDC Board. Linda said Clerk Treasurer Mary K. Parsons is the current appointment and asked for a motion to re-appoint her. Councilmember Barry Wilcox motioned to re-appoint Clerk Treasurer Mary K. Parsons to the SCEDC Board, second by Councilmember Ashlee Hoos, all in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

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

Holiday Schedule- Councilmember Ashlee Hoos motioned to approve the Holiday Schedule as presented, second by Councilmember Scott Glendening, all in favor.

Meeting Schedule- Councilmember Scott Glendening motioned to approve the Meeting Schedule as presented, second by Councilmember Ashlee Hoos, all in favor.

Fire Alarm upgrade- Councilmember Barry Wilcox motioned to approve as presented, second by Councilmember Scott Glendening, all in favor.

Appoint two appraisers- Councilmember Scott Glendening motioned to approve the two appraisers for a property that the Town has an interest in purchasing as presented, second by Councilmember Barry Wilcox, all in favor.

Mural- Council President Linda Fulton said the Town would like to paint a Mural on the side of one of the buildings down town. Linda Fulton said the owner of the building is in favor of the mural, and the next steps would be to find an artist, design the mural and apply for possible grants to have the project completed. Councilmember Ashlee Hoos motioned to approve starting the process for the mural, second by councilmember Scott Glendening, all in favor.

Insurance- Council President Linda Fulton presented the insurance plan renewal for the Town with a 6.86% increase of the "grandmothered" plan. Councilmember Barry Wilcox motioned to approve the insurance as presented, second by Councilmember Ashlee Hoos, all in favor.

Tree Removal- Council President Linda Fulton said three quotes were received for the tree removal the lowest was Atop Tree Service for \$13,500. Councilmember Dr. William Stitt motioned to approve as presented, second by Councilmember Barry Wilcox, all in favor.

Attorney Contract- Council President Linda Fulton asked for approval of the Attorney Contract for Beers, Mallers, LLP with a 4% increase. Councilmember Barry Wilcox motioned to approve as presented, second by Councilmember Scott Glendening, all in favor.

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REPORTS:

Fire: Report was submitted.

Police: Report was submitted. Town Marshal Joe Patterson asked Council to approve an ammo purchase for \$13,165. Councilmember Dr. William Stitt motioned to approve as presented, second by Councilmember Barry Wilcox, all in favor.

Zoning: Report was submitted. Nothing to add.

Street: Report was submitted.

Water: Report was submitted.

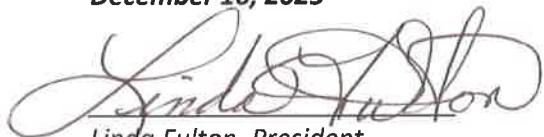
Wastewater: Report was not submitted.

Park: Report was submitted.

Council President Linda Fulton closed with a few announcements. Linda wanted to let everyone know the State Board of Accounts Audit is complete and the exit conference will be Thursday, November 20, 2025. Linda said that the 2026 Budget has been approved. Linda said that Baker Tilley is still working on the Property Tax Study. Council President Fulton also said they are still waiting on the response for the DORA application. President Fulton said there have been 44 responses to the new survey sent out about new businesses in town. President Fulton invited all employees to the annual Chamber Breakfast and business meeting at Rugonio's on December 10, 2025 at 7 a.m. Surfnet is setting up customers.

Motion to adjourn at 5:53 p.m. by Councilmember Barry Wilcox, second by Councilmember Ashlee Hoos, all in favor.

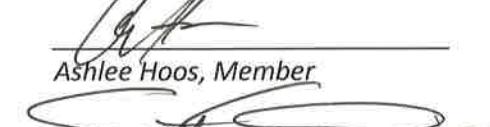
December 16, 2025



Linda Fulton, President


Dr. William Stitt, Vice President


Barry Wilcox, Member


Ashlee Hoos, Member


Scott Glendening, Member

Attest:



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