

Approved 11/16/2022  
Meeting between Town and School Board  
**4:30pm on Wednesday, November 2, 2022**

At 4:30pm on Wednesday, November 2, 2022 in the District Board Room the Board of Education held a special meeting for the purpose of reviewing/discussing the contract between Freedom Area School District and the Town of Freedom.

I MEETING CALLED TO ORDER - ROLL CALL: Pledge Of Allegiance  
School Board Members Present: Mr. Steve Garvey, Mr. Tom Harke, Mr. Gary Schumacher, Mr. Nick VanWychen, Mr. Kevin VerVoort, Mrs. Carolee Baumgart, Mrs. Kim Fenske,

Town Board Members Present: Margo Fox, Kevin Schuh, Brandon Conrad

II APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion to approve the agenda was made by Mrs. Kim Fenske with a second by Mr. Steve Garvey.

III OPEN FLOOR PERIOD:

IV ACTION ITEMS:

A OLD BUSINESS:

B NEW BUSINESS:

1. Review/Discuss/Approve contract between Freedom Area School District and Town of Freedom - The School Board met with members of the Town of Freedom Board and reviewed the contract history. The last written agreement was in 2007-2008. One more was done on a handshake; Mr. Kilstofe agreed to pay \$5000 for the lights annually and \$3000 annually for the use of the fields. The Town and the School were working toward a new agreement then at a Town Board meeting they increased the \$3000 to \$5000 without consulting the School District. The School District Business Office reached out to surrounding districts and found that none of them are charged to use the facilities as they are here to serve the children. FASD is asking to not pay for the lights on Diamond 4 if they stop using the facility. The Town Board stated the \$3000 didn't even cover all the expenses of the time and use of machines and fuel. In August of 2020, 125-140 hours were put into prepping softball, soccer, and baseball fields. This doesn't include chalking.

The topic of the need to return keys back to the town for 2 months was discussed. It was agreed that it does not make sense to do so. The Athletic Director will be given a set of keys and responsible for the possession of them for use. Concessions will not be sold down there this year through the school district. If the FAA is interested in having concessions for events, it is solely their responsibility. Changes to the language were requested. FASD would like for this year to maintain the usage fee of \$3000 and \$5000 for lights, removing the lights until paid off, and removing the keys that need to be returned. Duration of contract to only be one year. Come back in January to budget for new costs for next school year usage. The requested changes will be taken back to the Town Board for approval on November 16, 2022. If they approve it will be on the School Board Agenda to approve in November.

V MOTION TO ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn was made at 5:18pm by Mr. Gary Schumacher with a second by Mr. Steve Garvey.

Submitted by Supervisor Margo Fox