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**REGULAR TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 25, 2023**

A Rescheduled Regular Meeting of the Frenchtown Charter Township Board was held on April 25, 2023 at 7:00 PM at the Township Hall, 2744 Vivian Road, Monroe, Michigan.

PRESENT:	TRUSTEE – Matt Rimel
SUPERVISOR – Al VanWashenova	TRUSTEE – Chris Collins
CLERK – Kyle Bryant	TRUSTEE – Christiaan Carlton
TREASURER – Julie Ellison	TRUSTEE – Gary Klemz
TWP ATTORNEY – Kerry Bondy	

Deputy Clerk, Jessica Burt; Utility Director, Rich Weirich; Fire Chief, Wendy Stevens; Economic Development and Public Safety Director, Dave Uhl; Monroe County Sheriff, Troy Goodnough; Recreation Director, Phil Coyle and 9 other persons were in attendance.

Supervisor VanWashenova declared there was quorum at 7:01 PM.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: Removed Agenda item #9.

MOTION #23.111 – AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Carlton to approve the April 25, 2023 agenda as amended. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #23.112 – APPROVAL OF APRIL 25, 2023 CONSENT AGENDA: Motion made by Mrs. Ellison; seconded by Mr. Rimel to approve the consent agenda as presented. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. April 11, 2023 – Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- b. Invoices Paid between April 12, 2023 to April 21, 2023
- c. Invoices to be Paid on April 25, 2023
- d. Ice Cream Vendor – Amaysing Ice Cream

PUBLIC COMMENT: One Person spoke regarding the Fire Department doing a great job with Jefferson elementary students. One person spoke regarding the Moratorium on Short Term Rentals.

MOTION #23.113 – DISCUSSION – BIDS FOR MULCH – RECREATION DEPARTMENT: Motion made by Mr. Rimel; seconded by Mr. Carlton to approve low bidder Jack’s Lawn Service for mulch at Park #3 at a cost not to exceed \$2,395.00. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #23.114 – DISCUSSION – RESORT LICENSE FOR PHOENIX THEATRE: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to adopt the Resolution approving request for a new Class C Resort license for Phoenix Theatre Monroe LLC, issued pursuant to MCL 436.1531(3) without regard to and specifically without use of any remaining quota licenses of the Township. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #23.115 – DISCUSSION – PURCHASE OFFER – 5689 SHADY LANE: Motion made by Mr. Rimel; seconded by Mr. Klemz to approve the purchase offer for 5689 Shady Lane in the amount of \$14,000.00 and to authorize the Township Supervisor to execute all documents necessary to complete the sale as proposed. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #23.116 – DISCUSSION – PURCHASE OFFER – LOT 9 IN FRENCHTOWN INDUSTRIAL PARK: Motion made by Mr. Rimel; seconded by Mr. Bryant to reject the proposed purchase offer as presented on Lot 9 in the Frenchtown Industrial Park and to counter at full asking price plus the Township’s share of the shared approach improvement which is in the amount of \$27,765.38. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: One person questioned Short Term Rentals fines during the moratorium. Mr. Karl Rock of Monroe Community Ambulance presented to the Board the ambulance stats for March 2023.

MOTION #23.117 - TO BOARD UP 8171 S STONY CREEK ROAD: Motion made by Mr. Klemz; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to approve spending up to \$2,500.00 in charges to board up 8171 S Stony Creek Road with plywood for the purpose of making it safe from entry by vagrants and unauthorized persons. Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #23.118 – KIWANIS HALL REFUND: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Carlton to approve giving a full refund to Karen Huffman for canceling Kiwanis Hall rental for the reasons presented. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #23.119 – ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Rimel to adjourn the April 25, 2023 Regular Board Meeting at 7:53 PM. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 7-0.

Al VanWashenova, Township Supervisor

Kyle Bryant, Township Clerk