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**REGULAR TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 8, 2023**

A Regular Meeting of the Frenchtown Charter Township Board was held on August 8, 2023 at 8:00 AM 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; Fire Chief, Wendy Stevens; Utility Director, Rich Weirich; Township Public Safety/Economic Development Director, Dave Uhl; Resort District Director, Larry Smith; 1 off duty firefighter and 5 other persons were in attendance.

Supervisor VanWashenova declared there was quorum at 8:00 AM.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: Add Agenda item 12A– Discussion on Rooftop unit for Senior Center and 12B, Discussion on painting of the Water Plant before Pubic Comment.

MOTION #23.214 – AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Carlton to approve the August 8, 2023 agenda as amended. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #23.215 – APPROVAL OF AUGUST 8, 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. July 18, 2023 – Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- b. Invoices Paid between July 19, 2023 to August 4, 2023
- c. Invoices to be Paid on August 8, 2023
- d. Used Car Lot License – Elite Auto Center

PUBLIC COMMENT: Two persons spoke regarding all the work that the libraries do and the proposed services agreement. One person spoke to the Board about a pony that is living in a home in Detroit Beach.

MOTION #23.216 – RESIGNATION LETTER FOR MECHANICAL/PLUMBING INSPECTOR – DONALD OLSZEWSKI: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to accept and place on file the resignation letter of Donald Olszewski as a mechanical/plumbing inspector for the Township. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. VanWashenova, Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Klemz-

Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #23.217 -DISCUSSION – SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH MONROE CONSERVATION

DISTRICT: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Rimel to approve the Monroe Conservation District service agreement as presented. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #23.218 – DISCUSSION – STORM DAMAGE REIMBURSEMENT TO THE RESORT

DISTRICT: Motion made by Mr. Klemz; seconded by Mr. Bryant to approve reimbursing the Resort District at a cost not to exceed \$112,165.00 for the extensive storm damage cleanup due to ice storms and tornado events in the Resort District areas. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

DISCUSSION – CONSOLIDATION OF ALARM COMPANIES FOR TOWNSHIP OWNED

PROPERTIES: The Board discussed this item.

MOTION #23.219 – ROOFTOP UNIT AT FCT RECREATION BUILDING: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Klemz to approve the recommendation from the Building Official to accept the bid of American Heating and Cooling at a cost not to exceed \$18,876.00 for a rooftop unit at the Frenchtown Recreation Building. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #23.220 – DISCUSSION – PAINTING THE OUTSIDE OF THE WATER PLANT: Motion made by Mr. Rimel; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to approve purchasing paint and caulk materials and have Randy’s Tuck Pointing, paint the Water Plant at a total cost not to exceed \$75,000.00. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: One person spoke regarding the positive actions that the Township Board has done and if the Township could look into what can be done for the maintenance of the roads and the clearing of line of sight obstructions with the MCRC.

MOTION #23.221 – ELECTION SPECIALIST MARY KITTLE’S RATE OF PAY: Motion made by Mr. Klemz; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to approve retaining Mary Kittle’s full-time rate of pay but without benefits for the work she now does in a part time capacity due to her extensive knowledge and prior work history and experience with the Township. 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 #23.222 –KIWANIS HALL CANCELLATION REFUND: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to approve giving a full refund to Joyce Oestrike for canceling Kiwanis Hall rental for the reasons provided to the Clerk. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #23.223 – ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Carlton to adjourn the August 8, 2023 Regular Board Meeting at 9:24 AM. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 7-0.

Al VanWashenova, Township Supervisor

Kyle Bryant, Township Clerk