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**RESCHEDULED REGULAR TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 24, 2024**

A Rescheduled Regular Meeting of the Frenchtown Charter Township Board was held on January 24, 2024 at 3:00 PM at the Township Hall, 2744 Vivian Road, Monroe, Michigan.

PRESENT:	TRUSTEE – Matt Rimel was seated at 3:54 pm
SUPERVISOR – Al VanWashenova	TRUSTEE – Chris Collins
CLERK – Kyle Bryant	TRUSTEE – Christiaan Carlton - EXCUSED
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; Human Resources Director, Sarah Karl via ZOOM; Bernie & Matt Yoscovits from XG Tech Services and 1 off duty fire fighter were in attendance.

Supervisor VanWashenova declared there was quorum at 3:00 PM.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: Add Agenda item 8A, Change Order #8 for the Frenchtown Municipal Project

MOTION #24.27 – AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to approve the January 24, 2024 agenda as amended. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 5-0.

MOTION #24.28 – APPROVAL OF JANUARY 24, 2024 CONSENT AGENDA: Motion made by Mrs. Ellison; seconded by Mr. Bryant to approve the consent agenda as presented. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. January 16, 2024 – Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- b. Invoices Paid between January 17, 2024 to January 22, 2024
- c. Invoices Paid on January 24, 2024
- d. Used Car Lot License – Friendly Ford
- e. Arcade License – Ulek Pinball & Classic Arcade

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MOTION #24.29 – DISCUSSION – SOLAR/BATTERY UPGRADE FOR RAILROAD CAMERAS:

Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Klemz to approve contracting with XG Technologies for the Solar and Battery Upgrade to the existing Railroad cameras at a cost not to exceed \$16,924.27. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

MOTION #24.30 – DISCUSSION – CHANGE ORDER #8 – MUNICIPAL PROJECT: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to table this item. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 5-0.

MOTION #24.31 – DISCUSSION – CORRECT TOWNSHIP MOTION FOR CRG INVOICE: Motion made by Mrs. Ellison; seconded by Mr. Klemz to amend Motion#23.372 to provide for payment of an invoice for \$1,505.00 to CRG Electric and not for renewal of the maintenance contract for the Township Hall generator. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MOTION #24.32 – CLOSED SESSION -OPEN MEETINGS ACT 8A: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to go into Closed Session under Open Meetings Act 8a to discuss employment contract for the Director of Public Safety pursuant to his request and to include the Township Attorney, Deputy Clerk and Utility Director. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes. Motion carried 5-0. This vote was taken at 3:34 pm.

MOTION #24.33 – ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION/APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES/RECONVENE INTO REGULAR MEETING: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to approve the minutes of Closed Session and to reconvene in open session. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 5-0. This vote was taken at 3:48 pm.

MOTION #24.34 – DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to approve the Director of Public Works employment agreement as amended. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Collins-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Trustee Rimel was seated at 3:54 pm.

MOTION #24.35 – CLOSED SESSION – OPEN MEETINGS ACT 8A: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to go into Closed Session under Open Meetings Act 8a to discuss employment contract for Human Resources Director pursuant to her request and to include Township Attorney, Deputy Clerk and HR Director Karl via ZOOM and Trustee Rimel upon his arrival. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

After a period of time, Human Resources Director Karl requested that the Board continue its discussion of this matter in closed session and left the closed session.

MOTION #24.36 – ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION/APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES/RECONVENE INTO REGULAR MEETING: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Rimel to approve the minutes of Closed Session and to reconvene in open session. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 6-0. This vote was taken at 5:20 pm.

MOTION #24.37 – HUMAN RESOURCE DIRECTOR EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Rimel to approve a 1 year employment contract with a 9% increase from current pay, 10.5 hrs of Paid Time Off per month, max of 250 PTO hrs may be banked and up to \$4,150.00 bonus may be awarded by a committee consisting of the Township Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer for a positive Performance review. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #24.38 – MASTER PLAN: Motion made by Mr. Collins; seconded by Mr. Rimel to request the Planning Commission to commence the action necessary for review/amendment of the Township Master Plan. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #24.39– ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Rimel to adjourn the January 24, 2024 Regular Board Meeting at 5:25 AM. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 6-0.

Al VanWashenova, Township Supervisor

Kyle Bryant, Township Clerk