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**REGULAR TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 9, 2022**

A Regular Meeting of the Frenchtown Charter Township Board was held on August 9, 2022 at 3:00 PM at the Township Hall, 2744 Vivian Road, Monroe, Michigan.

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

Deputy Clerk, Jessica Burt; Recreation Director, Phil Coyle; Fire Chief, Wendy Stevens; Utility Director, Rich Weirich; Monroe County Sheriff, Troy Goodnough; Human Resources, Michelle Affholter-Ulrich; Township Engineer, Mark Mathe; 3 Frenchtown firefighters and 9 other persons were in attendance.

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

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: Move Agenda item#11 to #8.

MOTION #22.226 – AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Carlton to approve the August 9, 2022 agenda as amended. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #22.227 – APPROVAL OF AUGUST 9, 2022 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. Carlton-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. July 26, 2022 – Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- b. Invoices Paid between July 27, 2022 to August 5, 2022
- c. Invoices to be Paid on August 9, 2022

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MOTION #22.228 – DISCUSSION – GOLF CART RESOLUTION: Motion made by Mr. Klemz; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to approve the Resolution Allowing Operation of Golf Carts on Certain Township Streets as amended for a 1-year trial period and to send to the Monroe County Board of Commissioners for consideration. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #22.229 – ESTABLISH EFFECTIVE DATE OF GOLF CART RESOLUTION: Motion made by Mr. Klemz; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to establish that the Golf Cart Resolution approved the Board shall take effect August 11, 2022 at 7:30 am in order to allow time to provide notice to Sheriff's Department. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #22.230 – DISCUSSION – MONROE CONSERVATION DISTRICT SERVICES

AGREEMENT: Motion made Mr. Rimel; seconded by Mr. Bryant approving the Services Agreement for Monroe Conservation District as proposed. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #22.231 – DISCUSSION – PROPOSED EXTENSION OF TWO RESIDENTIAL LISTING

AGREEMENTS: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Klemz to table this item. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #22.232 – DISCUSSION - PAYMENT FOR AUCTION LOT 5807-476-022-00:

Motion made by Mr. Klemz; seconded by Mr. Bryant to approve the amended purchase price and direct the Township Treasurer and Clerk to transfer the funds for the purchase of Parcel ID# 58-07-476-022-00 to Title Check, LLC in the amount of \$17,744.35. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #22.233 – DISCUSSION – PARKING LOT LIGHTING AT KIWANIS:

Motion made by Mrs. Ellison; seconded by Mr. Rimel to approve the proposal for DTE to complete the installation of outdoor lighting at Kiwanis Hall at a cost not to exceed \$6,351.85. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

DISCUSSION – AMENDMENT OF ZONING MAP: The Board discussed this item.

MOTION #22.234 – DISCUSSION – WATER PLANT OPERATOR – AUSTIN DARVILLE:

Motion made by Mr. Klemz; seconded by Mr. Carlton to approve hiring Austin Darville as Water Plant Operator based on the Hiring Committee recommendation and a satisfactory background check. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #22.235 – DISCUSSION – CREATION/HIRING OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

DIRECTOR/PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR: Motion made by Mr. Klemz; seconded by Mr. Bryant to approve to the proposed job description and hire David Uhl based on the Hiring Committee recommendation with the amendments to the contract as discussed and a start date of September 1, 2022. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-No; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 5-1.

MOTION #22.236 – DISCUSSION – BUILDING OFFICIAL:

Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded Mr. Carlton to approve hiring Gary Dahl as Building Official based on the recommendation by the Hiring Committee with the amendments discussed with a start date of September 1, 2022. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #22.237 – DISCUSSION – AMENDMENT TO UTILITY DIRECTOR'S CONTRACT:

Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Klemz to approve removing the Fuel stipend from the contract and allowing the Utility Director to take a vehicle to and from home. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MOTION #22.238 – ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Carlton to adjourn the August 9, 2022 Regular Board Meeting at 4:28 PM. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 6-0.

Al VanWashenova, Township Supervisor

Kyle Bryant, Township Clerk