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**REGULAR TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 14, 2023**

A Rescheduled Regular Meeting of the Frenchtown Charter Township Board was held on February 14, 2023 at 8:00 AM at the Township Hall, 2744 Vivian Road, Monroe, Michigan.

PRESENT:	TRUSTEE – Matt Rimel - EXCUSED
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 and Public Safety Director, Dave Uhl; Building Official, Gary Dahl; Township Engineer, Mark Mathe; 1 On-Duty Firefighter and 3 other persons were in attendance.

Supervisor VanWashenova declared there was quorum at 8:09 AM.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: Added Agenda item 10A, Discussion Sports Garden and 10B Tetra Tech.

MOTION #23.42 – AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to approve the February 14, 2023 agenda as amended. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #23.43 – APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 14, 2023 CONSENT AGENDA: Motion made by Mrs. Ellison; seconded by Mr. Collins to approve the consent agenda as presented. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. January 24, 2023 – Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- b. Invoices Paid between January 25, 2023 to February 10, 2023
- c. Invoices to be Paid on February 14, 2023

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MOTION #23.44 – PESTICIDE TRAINING/MAINTENANCE PERSON: Motion made by Mr. Klemz; seconded by Mr. Bryant to approve the proposed training for Thomas McCammon with the understanding that he would need to sign the educational reimbursement form. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

PRESENTATION BY COMMUNITY IMAGE BUILDERS (CIB): Carmine Avantini, President of CIB gave a presentation to the Board.

PRESENTATION BY FIREFIGHTER JOHN DEBARR REGARDING FIRE DEPARTMENT BOAT:

Captain Debarr gave a presentation to the Board on the Fire Department's request for a fire suppression boat.

MOTION #23.45 – REIMBURSEMENT AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN LOTS 9 & 10

FRENCHTOWN BUSINESS PARK: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Carlton to approve the presented amount for reimbursement to the Sports Garden Inc for construction of the shared approach between Lots 9 and 10 with the understanding that an agreement for maintenance be entered into and direct the Township Attorney to draft a Maintenance agreement for the shared driveway approach on Lots 9 & 10 in Frenchtown Business Park. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #23.46 – TETRA TECH SITE PLAN REVIEW FOR NORTH DIXIE HIGHWAY MULTI-USE

FACILITY SITE DEVELOPMENT: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison approving Tetra Tech proposal as presented for review of site plan for North Dixie Multi Use Facility. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MOTION #23.47 – RAW WATER PARTNERSHIP PROPERTY PURCHASE- WATER DEPARTMENT:

Motion made by Mr. Klemz; seconded by Mrs. Ellison approving the Water Department's request to spend up to \$15,000.00 for the Township's 8/26ths share on a property purchase from the City of Monroe for the Monroe Frenchtown Raw Water Supply Partnership. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #23.48 – CLOSED SESSION – OPEN MEETINGS ACT 8D:

Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to go into Closed Session under Open Meetings Act 8d to discuss possible property purchase and to include the Township Attorney, Deputy Clerk; Public Safety Director Dave Uhl and realtor. A roll call vote was taken. Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes. Motion 6-0. This vote was taken at 10:09 am.

MOTION #23.49 – ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION/APPROVE CLOSED SESSION

MINUTES/RECONVENE INTO REGULAR MEETING: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. VanWashenova 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 11:09 am.

MOTION #23.50 – AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OFFER:

Motion made by Mr. Carlton; seconded by Mr. Bryant to approve forming a committee consisting of the Township Clerk, Supervisor, Treasurer, Attorney and Public Safety Director to review and proceed with the property offer as discussed. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #23.51 – BOARD ROOM IMPROVEMENTS:

Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Klemz to approve spending up to \$5,000.00 on audio visual smart board improvements for the Township Board room. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #23.52 – ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Carlton to adjourn the February 14, 2023 Regular Board Meeting at 11:33 AM. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 6-0.