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**RESCHEDULED REGULAR TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 10, 2023**

A Rescheduled Regular Meeting of the Frenchtown Charter Township Board was held on January 10, 2023 at 10:00 AM at the Township Hall, 2744 Vivian Road, Monroe, Michigan.

PRESENT:	TRUSTEE – Matt Rimel was seated at 10:09 am
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; Resort District Director, Larry Smith; 1 On-Duty Firefighter and 2 other persons were in attendance.

Supervisor VanWashenova declared there was quorum at 10:06 AM.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: Added Agenda item 16A Closed Session under Open Meetings Act Section 8c to discuss status of union negotiations.

MOTION #23.01 – AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Carlton to approve the January 10, 2023 agenda as amended. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #23.02 – APPROVAL OF JANUARY 10, 2023 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. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. December 19, 2022 – Special Board Meeting Minutes
- b. December 20, 2022 – Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- c. Invoices Paid between December 21, 2022 to January 6, 2023
- d. Invoices to be Paid on January 10, 2023

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Trustee Rimel was seated at 10:09 am.

MOTION #23.03 – DISCUSSION – FLOOD CONTROL DEVICE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT: Motion made by Mr. Klemz; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to approve the 1st reading of Proposed Flood Control Device

Ordinance Amendment Ord. 207-1. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #23.04 – DISCUSSION – FRENCHTOWN BUSINESS PARK REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST FOR ROAD WORK ON LOT 9: Motion made Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Carlton to table this item. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #23.05 – DISCUSSION – YEARLY MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR LOCAL ROADS – DUST CONTROL & MOWING: Motion made by Mr. Rimel; seconded by Mr. Bryant to approve the mowing at a cost not to exceed \$26,550.00 and the dust control (brine) at a cost not to exceed \$26,100.00. 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.

MOTION #23.06 – FIRE DEPARTMENT GRAPHICS REQUEST FOR 2022 WHEEL COACH AMBULANCE: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Uhl to approve spending not to exceed \$5,000.00 on the graphics for the 2022 Wheel Coach Ambulance with prior approval by Economic Director Uhl before ordering. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

DISCUSSION – 2023 ROAD REPAIR PROJECTS: The Board discussed this item.

MOTION #23.07 – 2023 ROAD IMPROVEMENT ESTIMATES: Motion made by Mr. Rimel; seconded by Mr. Bryant to approve the 2023 Road Improvement Estimates as discussed without Comboni Way or any road in a subdivision with approval of MCRC contract by attorney. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #23.08 – SHORT TERM RENTALS: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Rimel to take necessary action to confirm short term rentals are not currently permitted in residential zoning districts and to establish a moratorium on short term rentals. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #23.09 – ADOPTION OF NEW TOWNSHIP LOGO: Motion made by Mr. Rimel; seconded by Mr. Carlton to approve the new Township Logo as proposed. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #23.10 – DISCUSSION – CHANGES TO PERMIT APPLICATION FORMS & PERMIT FEES – BUILDING DEPARTMENT: Motion made by Mr. Rimel; seconded by Mr. Bryant to approve the changes to the Permit Application Forms and Fee Schedules as presented and to authorize the printing of the forms as requested. 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.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MOTION #23.11 – CLOSED SESSION – OPEN MEETINGS ACT 8C: Motion made by Mr. Collins; seconded by Mr. Carlton to go into Closed Session under Open Meetings Act 8c to discuss collective bargaining matters and to include the Township Attorney, Deputy Clerk and Public Safety Director Dave Uhl. 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. This vote was taken at 11:48 am.

Trustee Rimel was excused from the meeting at 12:00 pm.

MOTION #23.12 – ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION/APPROVE CLOSED SESSION

MINUTES/RECONVENE INTO REGULAR MEETING: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Carlton 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 12:27 pm.

MOTION #23.13 – RESOLUTION FOR EMPOWER PLAN DOCUMENT AMENDMENT: Motion made

by Mrs. Ellison; seconded by Mr. Bryant to approve the resolution changing the group retirement age to 59 ½. 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.

Trustee Carlton was excused from the meeting at 12:35 pm.

MOTION #23.14 – ADDITIONAL DUTIES STIPEND FOR TREASURER: Motion made by Mr. Bryant;

seconded by Mr. Klemz to approve a stipend for the Treasurer for additional duties outside of her statutory duties in the amount \$10,000.00 through 12/31/23 to be paid over regular pay schedule. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

MOTION #23.15 – ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Mr. Bryant;

seconded by Mr. Collins to adjourn the January 10, 2023 Regular Board Meeting at 12:47 PM. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 5-0.

Al VanWashenova, Township Supervisor

Kyle Bryant, Township Clerk