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**BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES  
JULY 18, 2023**

A Regular Meeting of the Frenchtown Charter Township Board was held on July 18, 2023 at 3:00 PM 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; Utility Director, Rich Weirich; Fire Chief, Wendy Stevens; Economic Development and Public Safety Director, Dave Uhl; Building Official, Gary Dahl; Monroe County Sheriff, Troy Goodnough; State Representative for the 30<sup>th</sup> District, William Bruck and 9 other persons were in attendance.

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

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:** Add Agenda item 7A, Meet & Greet with William Bruck and Agenda item 14A, Discussion – Rec Dept.

**MOTION #23.203 – AGENDA APPROVAL:** Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to approve the July 18 2023 agenda as amended. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 7-0.

**MOTION #23.204 – APPROVAL OF JULY 18, 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 11, 2023 –Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- b. Invoices Paid between July 12, 2023 to July 14, 2023
- c. Invoices to be Paid on July 18, 2023

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**MEET & GREET WITH STATE REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE 30<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT – WILLIAM BRUCK:**  
Mr. Bruck gave an update to the Board.

**MOTION #23.205 – DISCUSSION – PURCHASE MOUNTING HARDWARE FOR LAPTOP**

**COMPUTERS:** Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Klemz to approve MI-Deal partner CDW-G at a cost not to exceed \$4,941.60 for the purchase of mounting hardware for laptops in Fire Department vehicles. 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 #23.206 – REPLACEMENT AC UNIT FOR FD#2 – DORM SIDE:** Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Klemz to approve the quote from the low bidder American Heating & Cooling for a replacement AC unit for Fire Department Station #2 at a cost not to exceed \$4,400.00. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

**MOTION #23.207 – PURCHASE PAINT FOR HYDRANT RESTORATION PROJECT:** Motion made by Mr. Klemz; seconded by Mr. Collins to approve the purchase of 120 gallons of paint from Lowe's at a cost not to exceed \$4,894.80 for hydrant restoration project. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

**DISCUSSION – PRECISION MOWING NEEDS & CONCERNS:** The Board discussed mowing concerns with Jay Harrington of Precision Mowing.

**MOTION #23.208 – TABLED 2<sup>ND</sup> READING & ADOPTION OF ZONING MAP AMENDMENT 300-01 – PARCEL ID# 003-032-00:** Motion made by Mr. Collins; seconded by Mr. Klemz to remove this item from table. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 7-0.

**MOTION #23.209 – 2<sup>ND</sup> READING & ADOPTION OF ZONING MAP AMENDMENT 300-01:** Motion made by Mr. Collins; seconded by Mr. Bryant to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adoption of Zoning Map Amendment 300-01 of Parcel ID# 003-032-00 being 36 amol on East Newport Road on the South side of Newport Road west of Telegraph from C3 Highway Commercial and Ag Agricultural to Light Manufacturing. A roll call vote was taken. Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

**MOTION #23.210 – GOLF CART RESOLUTION:** Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Collins to approve the Golf Cart Resolution. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

**MOTION #23.211 – DISCUSSION – MUNICIPAL PROJECT CHANGE ORDERS:** Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to approve and authorize the Committee to execute the change order at a cost not to exceed \$72,900 for additional manpower for an August 2023 start date. A roll call vote was taken. Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

**MOTION #23.212 – DAY CAMP EMPLOYEES – RECREATION DEPARTMENT:** Motion made by Mr. Rimel; seconded by Mr. Bryant to approve paying Day Camp employees for July 3, 2023. 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.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Three persons spoke in favor of having chickens in residential subdivisions.

**MOTION #23.213 – ADJOURNMENT:** Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to adjourn the July 18, 2023 Board Workshop Meeting at 4:46 PM. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 7-0.