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**BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 19, 2024**

A Rescheduled Meeting of the Frenchtown Charter Township Board was held on March 19, 2024 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 - EXCUSED	TRUSTEE – Christiaan Carlton
TREASURER – Julie Ellison	TRUSTEE – Gary Klemz
TWP ATTORNEY – Kerry Bondy	

Deputy Clerk, Jessica Burt; Fire Chief, Wendy Stevens; DPW Director, Richard Weirich; Public Safety/Economic Development Director, Dave Uhl; Building Official, Gary Dahl; Recreation Director, Phil Coyle; Monroe County Sheriff, Troy Goodnough; Executive Director of Frenchtown Senior Center, Paul Iacoangeli; 1 off-duty firefighter; and 5 other persons were in attendance.

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

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: Remove Agenda item#14 and replace with Buhl Road Monroe County Road Commission contract.

MOTION #24.76 – AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion made by Mr. Collins; seconded by Mr. Carlton to approve the March 19, 2024 agenda as amended. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #24.77 – APPROVAL OF MARCH 19, 2024 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. Carlton-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. March 12, 2024 –Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- b. Invoices paid between March 13, 2024 to March 15, 2024
- c. Invoices to be Paid on March 19, 2024
- d. Used Car Lot License – B & P Speed Shop
- e. Arcade License – Family & Friends Funland

PUBLIC COMMENT: One person questioned the status of junk vehicles at 3606 Lakeview. One person questioned the status of the horse in Detroit Beach.

MOTION #24.78 – DISCUSSION – GRANT MONEY AWARDED TO SENIOR CENTER: Paul Iacoangeli updated the Board on the grant that was awarded to the Frenchtown Senior Center in the amount of \$500,000.00

for the proposed Capital projects which includes roof replacement, carpet, paint, storage room conversion, mobility challenged exercise equipment and a whole building generator. He is asking for the Township to contribute \$100,000.00 so they can complete all requested projects without contributing financially. Motion made by Mr. Rimel; seconded by Mr. Carlton to table this item until the next Board meeting so the Supervisor can bring back which funds are available for use if approved. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #24.79 – DISCUSSION – PURCHASE REQUEST BASEBALL/SOFTBALL EQUIPMENT:

Motion made by Mrs. Ellison; seconded by Mr. Klemz to approve purchasing the baseball/softball equipment as proposed from All Heart Athletics as requested at a cost not to exceed \$1,858.00. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #24.80 – PORTA POTTIES RENTALS FOR TOWNSHIP PARKS – REC DEPARTMENT:

Motion made by Mrs. Ellison; seconded by Mr. Rimel to approve going with low bidder Stevens Disposal for porta potties for the 2024 season at a cost not to exceed \$5,670.00 from April 1, 2024 to October 31, 2024. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #24.81 – DISCUSSION – NON-FRENCHTOWN RESIDENT COURT OR FIELD RENTAL

POLICY: Motion made by Mrs. Ellison; seconded by Mr. Rimel to approve the Athletic Fields and Courts Reservation Application with the condition that this only applies to Soccer and Baseball fields. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #24.82 – DISCUSSION – SOCCER FIELD RENTAL REQUEST – WAZA SOCCER CLUB:

Motion made by Mr. Klemz; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to approve Waza Soccer Club Soccer Field Rental Request for October 18, 2024 through October 20, 2024 as proposed. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #24.83 – DISCUSSION – PURCHASE YOUTH BALL UNIFORMS – REC DEPARTMENT:

Motion made by Mr. Rimel; seconded by Mr. Carlton to approve the All Heart Athletics quote for the purchase of youth ball uniforms as proposed. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION #24.84 – BUHL ROAD – MONROE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION CONTRACT:

Motion made by Mr. Klemz; seconded by Mr. Rimel to approve the base stabilization proposal for Buhl Road from War to Mentel in 2024 at cost of \$138,799.06 and to move LaPrad Road & Comboni Way chip seal projects to 2025 Road projects. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MOTION #24.85 – ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Mr. Carlton; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to adjourn the March 19, 2024 Board Workshop Meeting at 4:16 PM. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 6-0.

Al VanWashenova, Township Supervisor

Kyle Bryant, Township Clerk