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**REGULAR TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 26, 2024**

A Rescheduled Regular Meeting of the Frenchtown Charter Township Board was held on November 26, 2024 at 7:00 PM at the Township Hall, 2744 Vivian Road, Monroe, Michigan.

PRESENT:	TRUSTEE – Kraig Yoas
SUPERVISOR – Al VanWashenova	TRUSTEE – Chris Collins
CLERK – Kyle Bryant	TRUSTEE – Sheila Bussell
TREASURER – Julie Ellison	TRUSTEE – Gary Klemz
TWP ATTORNEY – Kerry Bondy	DEPUTY CLERK – Jessica Burt

Fire Chief, Wendy Stevens; DPW Director, Richard Weirich; Building Official, Gary Dahl; Township Public Safety/Economic Development Director, Dave Uhl; Community Center employees, Shannon Jackson & Joseph DeLaronde; 2 off duty firefighters and 6 other persons were in attendance.

Supervisor VanWashenova declared there was quorum at 7:00 PM.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: Add Agenda item 12A, MTA action alert

MOTION #24.313 – AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Klemz to approve the November 26, 2024 agenda as amended. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #24.314 – APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 26, 2024 CONSENT AGENDA: Motion made by Mrs. Ellison; seconded by Mr. Klemz to approve the consent agenda as presented. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Yoas-Yes; Mrs. Bussell-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. November 19, 2024 –Board Workshop Meeting Minutes
- b. Invoices to be paid to be paid between November 20, 2024 to November 22, 2024
- c. Invoices to be Paid on November 26, 2024

PUBLIC COMMENT: One person questioned a condemned posting house on Avenue A and questioned permanent speed signs in Beach subdivisions. One person questioned the status of Camp Lord Willing violations.

MOTION #24.315 – OPEN PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2025 BUDGET: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Yoas to open the public hearing for the 2025 Budget. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 7-0. This vote was taken at 7:06 pm.

DISCUSSION – 2025 BUDGET: The Board discussed the Proposed 2025 Budget. No persons had questions.

MOTION #24.316 – CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING – 2025 BUDGET: Motion made by Mrs. Ellison; seconded by Mr. Klemz to close the Public Hearing regarding the 2025 Budget. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 7-0. This vote was taken at 7:16 pm.

MOTION #24.317 – DISCUSSION – CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY BOARD MEMBER REPLACEMENT RESOLUTION: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to approve the Resolution to place Sheila Bussell as a Board member on the Corridor Improvement Authority to replace Matt Rimel. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Bussell-Yes; Mr. Yoas-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #24.318 – DISCUSSION – MONROE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION – DRAINAGE REPAIR CONTRACTS: Motion made by Mr. Yoas; seconded by Mr. Klemz to approve the Monroe County Road Commission Cross Tile Replacement contract for W. Newport Road at a cost not to exceed \$2,211.00 and material only contract for Buhl Road at a cost not to exceed \$6,336.00. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mrs. Bussell-Yes; Mr. Yoas-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #24.319 – DISCUSSION – BUSINESS PARK PROPERTIES – 3 BROKER LISTING AGREEMENTS: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to approve Century 21 Broker Listing Agreements for the Frenchtown Business Park Lots 7, 9 and 14 as presented. A roll call vote was taken. Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mrs. Bussell-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Yoas-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #24.320 – DISCUSSION – DPW, WATER DEPT, FIRE DEPT AND TOWNSHIP – 6 YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANS: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mr. Klemz to approve the 6 year Capital Improvement Plans as amended for DPW, Fire Dept, Water Dept and Township. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Yoas-No; Mrs. Bussell-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes. Motion carried 6-1.

MOTION #24.321 - DISCUSSION – MICHIGAN TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION ACTION ALERT: Motion made by Mr. Klemz; seconded by Mrs. Collins to authorize the Township Supervisor to mail support letter to Governor Whitmer supporting the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund and House Bills 4274 and 4275. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Collins-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. Yoas-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mrs. Bussell-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #24.322 – DISCUSSION – RENTAL COSTS – COMMUNITY CENTER: Motion made by Mrs. Ellison; seconded by Mr. Bryant to approve the proposed rental costs for the Community Center and Municipal Building. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mrs. Bussell-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Yoas-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION #24.323 – ROBERT SECCO MECHANICAL INSPECTOR: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to approve Robert Secco as the Mechanical Inspector with the Inspector rates as previously board approved. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Bryant-Yes; Mr. Yoas-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mrs. Ellison-Yes; Mrs. Bussell-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: One person questioned ZOOM capabilities for viewing for the Board Room. One person questioned when the Municipal Building would be open.

MOTION #24.324– ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Mr. Bryant; seconded by Mrs. Ellison to adjourn the November 26, 2024 Regular Board Meeting at 8:30 PM. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 7-0.