

**PROCEEDINGS OF VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN
VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, May 10, 2004, 8:00 P.M.
FRANKLIN VILLAGE HALL – BROUGHTON HOUSE
32325 FRANKLIN ROAD, FRANKLIN, MICHIGAN**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Jahnke at 8:03 pm at the Franklin Village Hall, Franklin, Michigan.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Randy McElroy, Ralph Sosin, Fred Gallasch, Mark Jahnke, Alan Harnisch, Brian Coyer, Bill Lamott

Absent: None

Also Present: Jon Stoppels, Administrator
Eileen Pulker, Village Clerk
John Staran, Village Attorney, Beier Howlett
Dominick Schiano, Treasurer
Tony Averbuch, Fire Chief
Edward Glomb, Police Chief

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by McElroy, supported by Harnisch, to Approve the Agenda as Presented.

Ayes: McElroy, Sosin, Gallasch, Jahnke, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott

Nays: None

Motion carried.

IV. MINUTES:

A. Regular Meeting of April 12, 2004

Motion by Sosin, supported by Gallasch, to Approve the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of April 12, 2004 as Presented.

Ayes: McElroy, Sosin, Gallasch, Jahnke, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott

Nays: None

Motion carried.

V. REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICERS AND AGENTS

Treasurer Schiano referred to the bills list and gave his approval. Schiano spoke about the meeting with a Comerica Representative and the options of moving funds to a money market account, which were discussed at the meeting. Schiano

stated that he would give a further report next month, after determining the correct amount to be transferred.

Chief Glomb stated that things were quiet in the Village. Glomb reported that there had been a little bit of vandalism, but the Police Department was looking into the issue. Glomb referred to the letter put together by the Police Chief's in the surrounding communities about the dangers of spring parties and graduation parties.

Chief Averbuch referred to his written report. Averbuch also spoke about an incident at Franklin and 14 Mile, where a home lost power and apparently the home owners left the house with the stove still on. When power came back on, a structure fire started. The Fire Department made a quick response and was successful in putting the fire out without much damage to the house, other than in the kitchen.

VI. SUBMISSION OF CURRENT BILLS

McElroy asked about a pressure sewer bill under litigation. Staran stated that the bills were for following up on enforcement issues.

Gallasch asked about a refund on Rosemond Court. Stoppels stated that the property owner had cancelled the contract to build a home, and was being refunded the permit costs.

Motion by Gallasch, supported by Sosin, to Approve the Bills List as presented.

TOTALS	
General Administration	\$ 20,087.60
Tax Fund	\$ 4,546.84
Building	\$ 25,055.02
Insurance	\$ 33,164.43
Legal	\$ 5,004.16
Police	\$ 10,120.92
Pressure Sewer	\$ 229.50
Roads	\$ 24,221.76
2002 Local Road	\$ 1,018.29
Cell Tower	\$ 4,482.46
Rubbish	\$ 13,213.27
Trust & Agency	\$ 6,000.00
Waste Water	\$ 3,492.64
ALL FUNDS	<u>\$ 150,636.89</u>

Ayes: McElroy, Sosin, Gallasch, Jahnke, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott

Nays: None
Motion carried.

VII. PUBLIC REQUESTS AND COMMENTS

Jim Harkema, 27150 W. 13 Mile Road, stated that the garbage service was horrible, the Village has been helpful in trying to resolve his problems but nothing has happened. Council responded that a representative from Great Lakes Waste was available for comment, and the Council stated that they would look into the issue.

Bill Elders, 27221 Appletree Lane, spoke about a property at 27170 Garden Way. Mr. Elders noted that for a period of three years the neighbors have voiced concerns on the lack of care for the property, and the neighbors continue to have complaints. Mr. Elders asked what could be done to improve the situation, and showed pictures.

Gary Ferguson, 27140 Gardenway, spoke about 27170 Gardenway as well. Ferguson added information about a dead tree, the house without well for three years, then the well company dug a six-foot hole in the yard, which sat for a month (but was covered recently). Mr. Ferguson stated that he was concerned about the value of properties in the area, and how this property in question would affect those values. Mr. Ferguson recommends that Council develop new inspection systems for long vacant buildings, occupancy permits, and to allow for mandatory inspections of the property when health and safety standards are in question. Ferguson asked that Council identify the important ordinances and enforce them, and also to create enforcement penalties, as well as fines for broken ordinances.

Steven Croyle, 27201 Gardenway, voiced support of Mr. Elders and Mr. Ferguson and concern at the state of the property in question.

Stoppels stated that there were a large number of violations, many of which had been addressed. Stoppels stated that as there is due process under the law the Village could only regulate certain items on a property, such as trash and safety issues. Stoppels continued stating that in the last 24 months there have been three or four owners, and the Village is required to give notice to an owner before any action can be taken. McElroy asked if there was anything that a neighborhood association could do that the Village could not. Staran stated that if there were deed restrictions then maybe something could be done. Staran also stated that the Village had to be careful about how to proceed in light of property owner rights. McElroy asked, as the property changes hands often, was there a way the Village could place a tax lien on a property so that each new owner could not dodge the issue. Stoppels referred to the old days of putting a notice on the door of a property. Staran stated that on rare occasions, the Village could enter a property without permission. Stoppels stated that property taxes were paid by a company

in California, and that the Village had sent police to serve papers to the owner at the property but no owner was ever found. Jahnke stated that the issue was an administrative item and the Village officials will meet on the issue and come up with a solution.

Mr. Ferguson stated that the Village needed to look at the ordinances. Ferguson also stated that he feels that health and safety is running water with flushable toilets. Mr. Ferguson continued by stating that if laws were not enforceable, then they should be taken off the books.

Gallasch stated that the Village has very good ordinances. Gallasch also said that the Village takes the time to enforce them, because the Village has followed the letter of the law and has not attempted to overstep any power boundaries and also stated that Council had not heard of any problems at this particular property for the last 11 months.

VIII. SPECIAL REPORTS:

A. Cell Tower Advisory Committee

Coyer stated that the Committee was very close to concluding activity. Coyer reported that since the last Council meeting there had been several meetings: 1) a presentation by Ted Kreines of Kreines and Kreines, Inc. and meeting with the Committee, 2) a meeting with the Cell Service Providers and, 3) a public hearing & workshop. All three of these meetings went very well and yielded a vast amount of information. Coyer stated that the minutes for the meetings are available online, and the Committee will have a written report on June 1st.

Gallasch stated that he attended the meeting with Ted Kreines and found it very informational. Gallasch also stated that he found it odd that the vocal members of the community did not attend the meeting. Coyer stated that he feels that the lack of verbal response from the Community at large shows how well the CTAC was doing at making information available. Coyer also stated that the Cell Service situation in Franklin was not something that was going to be decided and then put away. Wireless communication is not just in the here and now, but also relevant to the future. McElroy added that the needs of the future are important and are also being explored by the committee. Jahnke stated that he found Ted Kreines' report very informational.

Coyer asked to be excused at 8:54 pm.

B. Birmingham Area Cable Board

Gallasch was the new representative for the Cable Board for the Village of Franklin, and he gave brief history of Cable Board. Gallasch spoke about Arne Anderson, the previous representative from Franklin, and how much work he did. Gallasch stated that residents should call Kathryn Hagaman, (248) 646-8450, for

information on the Cable Board and to place complaints about Cable service, if unable to resolve their issues with Comcast directly.

C. Franklin Village Signs

Stoppels gave an update on placement of the Franklin Village Signs. Stoppels stated that a number of them were to be moved, and then explained where those signs had been moved as follows: 1) the sign at the corner of 14 Mile Road and Telegraph Road was moved across the street onto the Franklin Village limits; 2) the sign at the corner of 13 Mile Road and Inkster Road was moved across the street to better identify the southern region of the Village; 3) another sign will be placed at the corner of Northwestern Hwy and Inkster Road, or at the southern Village limit on Franklin Road; 4) the sign at Franklin Road and Thirteen Mile Road will be moved to another location; 5) a final sign will be placed on Rosemond Drive.

IX. BIDS/CONTRACTS/PROPOSALS

A. Consider Roadside Rubbish and Recyclables Pickup Contract Bids

Stoppels began by referring Council to his written report. Stoppels referred to his report stated that the Village was under two-year contract with Great Lakes Waste, which is due to expire. The Village accepted sealed bids on trash removal services. There were two bidders, Great Lakes Waste and Waste Management, of which Waste Management was the lowest bidder. Not only was Waste Management the lowest bidder under a two-year contract, but the company had also included a bid for a five-year contract which showed greater savings for the Village over time. The Council stated a concern for whether the Village should sign on for a five year contract. Staran stated that with a proper "out-clause", to allow for customer satisfaction issues should the Village wish to terminate the contract, a five year contract could work. Stoppels concluded that Waste Management was the lowest bidder and had a good standing record with surrounding communities, so he recommended Waste Management service for the Village when the Great Lakes Waste contract ran out.

Gallasch asked if Waste Management had previously serviced for the Village, and stated that the Village should secure a proper "out-clause". Stoppels stated that Waste Management had serviced the Village in the past, that the Village could get a final contract written before making a decision, and the Council would get a chance to speak with representatives from both companies.

John Prymack, from Great Lakes Waste, stated that both companies were large enough to handle the Village, adding that a difference of \$165 per month was not a large difference and asked that Council still consider them. Mr. Prymack stated that his company had been good stewards to the residents and community as a whole, having performed many special services without extra charges. Mr. Prymack apologized for missed stops on routes. McElroy asked about the one-

day shift between trash and recycling. Prymack stated that should not be such a delay. Six months ago, Great Lakes had tried a new sorting system of one truck for both recycling and trash, but have since gone back to a two-truck system. Mr. Prymack also stated that Great Lakes was going back to a closer recycling facility at 8 Mile to help reduce the number of trips and the amount of time required for trips.

Brian Conaway, of Waste Management, stated that Waste Management was interested in being contracted to perform the business for the Village. Mr. Conaway state that Waste Management had taken on a great interest in innovating the industry. The company was already working for several bordering communities, and wishes to make every effort to reduce the number of issues with service. Mr. Conaway stated that Waste Management would run a two-truck system, and would work with Village Administrator to educate the community, on their collection requirements.

Sosin stated a concern about one-day trash pickups; would some rubbish would be picked up late, or would the company use more trucks? Conaway stated that Waste Management would use two trucks each for trash and recycling in the Village. His company wanted all trash trucks out the communities they service before 5:00 pm.

Jim Kochensparger, 30670 Kirk Lane, stated that the Village should consider Great Lakes Waste, because they allow for larger trash containers than Waste Management and take trash that other companies may not. Mike Seltzer, 27160 Scenic Drive, asked if the FCA grounds had been considered in the bidding and stated that both companies should consider the FCA grounds as a stop. Stoppels stated that the Village had made that a criterion and that the waste companies would be required to make rounds and pick-up trash at the trash bins already in place around the park area.

Mr. Prymack, of Great Lakes Waste, asked for a chance to bid out for a five-year contract. Stoppels stated that Waste Management was lower with a two-year bid anyway. The five-year bid was just additional saving, and allowing for Great Lakes Waste to bid again would not be fair to Waste Management.

Council decided to hold a decision on the matter until the June council meeting, at which point the Council would be able to view a finalized contract. **No action was taken.**

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider Request of Franklin Bingham Farms Fire Department to hang Two Banners: 1) on Memorial Day for Volunteerism and 2) on additional days for the June 16, 2004 Fire Extinguisher Maintenance Day.

Averbuch stated that the Fire Department was trying to make fire extinguisher information more accessible to residents and small business owners, and have found that Fire Extinguisher Maintenance Day was a good way to get that information to the people in Franklin. Averbuch also stated that the banners would be on the Fire Department building and property, not hanging across Franklin Road, and would be removed the day following the event.

#2004-46 Motion by Gallasch, supported by Harnisch, to Approve the Request of Franklin Bingham Farms Fire Department to hang Two Banners: 1) on Memorial Day for Volunteerism and 2) on additional days for the June 16, 2004 Fire Extinguisher Maintenance Day.

Ayes: McElroy, Sosin, Gallasch, Jahnke, Harnisch, Lamott
Nays: None
Absent: Coyer
Motion carried.

B. Consider Landfill Permit Application for the Property located at 25251 River Drive.

#2004-47 Motion by Sosin, supported by Harnisch, to Approve the Landfill Permit Application for the Property located at 25251 River Drive, with the specifications set forth by the Village Engineers and Village Building Official.

Ayes: McElroy, Sosin, Gallasch, Jahnke, Harnisch, Lamott
Nays: None
Absent: Coyer
Motion carried.

C. Consider Re-Application for Demolition of the Property located at 25111 W. Thirteen Mile Road.

#2004- 48 Motion by Sosin, supported by McElroy, to Approve the Re-Application for Demolition of the Property located at 25111 W. Thirteen Mile Road, Subject to Requirements of the Building Official and \$5000 Surety or Cash Bond.

Ayes: McElroy, Sosin, Gallasch, Jahnke, Harnisch, Lamott
Nays: None
Absent: Coyer
Motion carried.

D. Consider Re-Application for Demolition of the Property located at 25701 River Drive.

#2004-49 Motion by Sosin, supported by Harnisch, to Approve the Re-Application for Demolition of the Property located at 25701 River Drive, Subject to Requirements of the Building Official and \$5000 Surety or Cash Bond.

Ayes: McElroy, Sosin, Gallasch, Jahnke, Harnisch, Lamott
Nays: None
Absent: Coyer
Motion carried.

E. Consider Request to Rescind Lot Split for the Property located at 30300 Woodside.

#2004-50 Motion by Sosin, supported by McElroy, to Approve the Request to Rescind Lot Split for the Property located at 30300 Woodside, Acknowledging receipt of request from the property owner.

Motion by Harnisch by supported by McElroy to amend the previous motion to note that the approval was never made effective or filed with Oakland County after the Village Council approval.

Ayes: McElroy, Sosin, Gallasch, Jahnke, Harnisch, Lamott
Nays: None
Absent: Coyer
Motion carried.

F. Consider Proposed Appointment of Christopher Doozan of McKenna Associates, Inc. as Planning Consultant for the Village of Franklin.

#2004-51 Motion by Gallasch, supported by Harnisch, to Approve the Appointment of Christopher Doozan of McKenna Associates, Inc. as Planning Consultant for the Village of Franklin, to begin postdated from the resignation of Dave Nicholson and run through the next Organizational Meeting which would ordinarily take place in March 2005.

Ayes: McElroy, Sosin, Gallasch, Jahnke, Harnisch, Lamott
Nays: None
Absent: Coyer
Motion carried.

G. Consider Amending of Fiscal year 2003-2004 Adopted Budget.

Treasurer Schiano described the process of amending the budget, and explained those amendments necessary. Schiano stated that he worked with the Finance Committee to figure out which changes were required, and the proposed

amendments were those changes. Council stated that they were content with the budgeting process.

#2004-52 Motion by Gallasch, supported by McElroy, to Amend the Adopted Budget of Fiscal year 2003-2004, per the document provided listing each of the amendments, dated May 5, 2004, as follows:

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004 AMENDED BUDGET
(3rd Quarter Review)**

WHEREAS: The Village must assure that expenditures in each account do not exceed those budgeted. A review of the Village's 2003/2004 General Fund indicates several accounts where budget amendments are required. We resolve that the following budget amendments be made to the 2003-2004 General Fund budget with funds coming from the appropriation of other funds.

Accounts (Income):

- 000402 - Real & personal taxes: Decrease revenue account to a total of \$682,584.00 (original \$699,110.00).
- 000445 - Penalty & interest on taxes: Decrease revenue account to a total of \$1,613.00 (original \$8,270.00).
- 000447 - Property tax admin fee: Decrease revenue account to a total of \$21,757.00 (original \$23,375.00).
- 000454 - utility easement income: Increase revenue account to a total of \$17,500.00 (original \$15,000.00).
- 000656 - Police fines: Decrease revenue account to a total of \$10,000.00 (original \$20,000.00).
- 000673 - sale of fixed assets: Decrease revenue account to a total of \$3,100.00 (original \$12,000.00).
- 000675 - Donations: Increase revenue account to a total of \$500.00 (original \$100.00).
- 000677 - Franklin library reimbursement: Increase revenue account to a total of \$2,650.00 (original \$1,500.00).
- 000680 - miscellaneous: Increase revenue account to a total of \$400.00 (original \$100.00).
- 000681 - sale of abandoned property: Increase revenue account to a total of \$700.00 (original \$0).
- 000999 - appropriation of prior year fund balance: Increase revenue account to a total of \$12,987.00 (original \$0).

Accounts (expense):

Council

- 101819 - Master plan: Decrease expense account to a total of \$0 (original \$10,000).
- 101821 - General engineering services: Increase expense account to a total of \$5,500.00 (original \$3,500.00).
- 101826 - Cell Tower: Increase expense account to a total of \$8,000.00 (original \$3,000.00).
- 191727 - Elections: Decrease expense account to a total of \$2,000.00 (original \$5,000.00).
- 211826 - legal & related services: Decrease expense account to a total of \$40,000.00 (original \$55,138.00).

Administrator

- 102706 - life and disability insurance: Increase expense account to a total of \$5,000.00 (original \$3,000.00).

- 102708 - retirement contributions: Decrease expense account to a total of \$6,000.00 (original \$11,680.00).
- 102727 - office supplies: Increase expense account to a total of \$3,000.00 (original \$2,000.00).
- 102807 - annual audit fee: Decrease expense account to a total of \$600.00 (original \$1,200.00).

Clerk

- 215704 - clerical salaries: Decrease expense account to a total of \$35,000.00 (original \$38,100.00).
- 215705 - group insurance: Decrease expense account to a total of \$500.00 (original \$2,400.00).
- 215706 - life & disability insurance: Increase expense account to a total of \$300.00 (original \$150.00).
- 215708 - retirement contributions: Decrease expense account to a total of \$0 (original \$1,030.00).
- 215727 - office supplies: Increase expense account to a total of \$3,000.00 (original \$1,500.00).
- 215807 - annual audit fee: Decrease expense account to a total of \$500.00 (original \$700.00).
- 215833 - tax collection expenses: Increase expense account to a total of \$4,000.00 (original \$3,100.00).

Police

- 305701 - overtime: Increase expense account to a total of \$35,000.00 (original \$30,500.00).
- 305706 - life & disability insurance: Decrease expense account to a total of \$8,000.00 (original \$13,000.00).
- 305854 - central dispatch: Increase expense account to a total of \$38,746.00 (original \$38,100.00).
- 305864 - police car leasing: Decrease expense account to a total of \$9,000.00 (original \$10,100.00).
- 305865 - police car insurance: Increase expense account to a total of \$18,000.00 (original \$12,000.00).
- 305980 - repairs & maintenance: Increase expense account to a total of \$9,000.00 (original \$5,500.00).

Expenses other funds

- 405853 - Broughton House Communication Exp.: Decrease expense account to a total of \$9,000.00 (original \$10,000.00).
- 405930 - Broughton House repair/maint/supplies: Decrease expense account to a total of \$6,000.00 (original \$8,000.00).
- 875000 - Broughton House Improvements: Decrease expense account to a total of \$0 (original \$5,850.00).

Other functions

- 865910 - liability insurance & bonds: Decrease expense account to a total of \$36,000.00 (original \$37,500.00).
- 875817 - other Fire Station Expense: Increase expense account to a total of \$6,600.00 (original \$0).
- 875960 - prior year adjustments: Increase expense account to a total of \$3,000.00 (original \$0).

WHEREAS: The Village must assure that expenditures in each account do not exceed those budgeted. A review of the Village's 2003/2004 Major Road Fund indicates several accounts where budget amendments are required. We resolve that the following budget amendments be made to the 2003-2004 Major Road Fund budget with funds coming from the appropriation of other funds.

Accounts (Income):

000682 - road oiling reimbursement: Increase revenue account to a total of \$4,600.00 (original \$2,600.00).

000999 - Appropriation of prior year funds: Increase revenue account to a total of \$13,996.00 (original \$10,296.00).

Accounts (Expense):

965965 - contribution to local street fund: Increase expense account to a total of \$67,000.00 (original \$61,300.00).

WHEREAS: The Village must assure that expenditures in each account do not exceed those budgeted. A review of the Village's 2003/2004 Local Street Fund indicates several accounts where budget amendments are required. We resolve that the following budget amendments be made to the 2003-2004 Local Street Fund budget with funds coming from the appropriation of other funds.

Accounts (Income):

000582 - major street fund: Increase revenue account to a total of \$67,000.00 (original \$61,300.00).

000665 interest income: Increase revenue account to a total of \$800.00 (original \$100.00).

WHEREAS: The Village must assure that expenditures in each account do not exceed those budgeted. A review of the Village's 2003/2004 Fire Fund indicates several accounts where budget amendments are required. We resolve that the following budget amendments be made to the 2003-2004 Fire Fund budget with funds coming from the appropriation of other funds.

Accounts (Income):

000402 - real & Personal property taxes: Decrease revenue account to a total of \$227,738.00 (original \$232,017.00).

000665 - interest income: Increase revenue account to a total of \$538.00 (original \$0).

Accounts (Expense):

336818 - Franklin-Bingham Farms FD: Decrease expense account to a total of \$228,276.00 (original \$232,017.00).

WHEREAS: The Village must assure that expenditures in each account do not exceed those budgeted. A review of the Village's 2003/2004 Garbage & Rubbish Fund indicates several accounts where budget amendments are required. We resolve that the following budget amendments be made to the 2003-2004 Garbage & Rubbish Fund budget with funds coming from the appropriation of other funds.

Accounts (Income):

000402 - real & Personal property taxes: Decrease revenue account to a total of \$174,700.00 (original \$177,982.00).

000999 - appropriation of prior year fund balance: Increase revenue account to a total of \$2,239.00 (original \$0).

Accounts (Expense):

528834 - Hazardous waste disp & public info: Decrease expense account to a total of \$12,500.00 (original \$13,543.00).

WHEREAS: The Village must assure that expenditures in each account do not exceed those budgeted. A review of the Village's 2003/2004 Library Fund indicates several accounts where budget amendments are required. We resolve that the following budget amendments be made to the 2003-2004 Library Fund budget with funds coming from the appropriation of other funds.

Accounts (Income):

000402 - real & personal property taxes: Decrease revenue account to a total of \$119,887.00 (original \$122,140.00).

000665 - interest: Increase revenue account to a total of \$283.00 (original \$0).

Accounts (Expense)

790967 - contracted services: Decrease expense account to a total of \$120,170.00 (original \$122,140.00).

WHEREAS: The Village must assure that expenditures in each account do not exceed those budgeted. A review of the Village's 2003/2004 General Debt Service Fund indicates several accounts where budget amendments are required. We resolve that the following budget amendments be made to the 2003-2004 General Debt Service Fund budget with funds coming from the appropriation of other funds.

Accounts (Income):

000402 - real & personal property taxes: Decrease revenue account to a total of \$976,602.00 (original \$994,973.00).

000999 - appropriation of prior year funds: Decrease revenue account to a total of \$19,904.00 (original \$35,838.00).

Accounts (Expense):

905992 - Pressure Sewer Debt - Interest pmt: Decrease expense account to a total of \$224,000.00 (original \$258,305.00).

WHEREAS: The Village must assure that expenditures in each account do not exceed those budgeted. A review of the Village's 2003/2004 Pressure Sewer Fund indicates several accounts where budget amendments are required. We resolve that the following budget amendments be made to the 2003-2004 Pressure Sewer Fund budget with funds coming from the appropriation of other funds.

Accounts (Income):

000407 - Design fees: Increase revenue account to a total of \$13,000.00 (original \$12,000.00).

000409 - grinder pump installation: Increase revenue account to a total of \$400,000.00 (original \$225,000.00).

000999 - appropriation of prior year funds: Decrease revenue account to a total of \$0 (original \$25,000.00).

Ayes: McElroy, Sosin, Gallasch, Jahnke, Harnisch, Lamott

Nays: None

Absent: Coyer
Motion carried.

H. Consider Proposed FY 2004-2005 Budget, Presentation and Schedule Budget Public Hearing.

Stoppels presented his report of the proposed budget for FY 2004-2005, stating that there was a 6.7% increase in taxable property, a decline from previous years but holding steady compared to last year. Stoppels showed the General Fund revenues comparison, which was a lower increase than in previous years. Stoppels stated that additional funds were budgeted for roads and the Fire fund increases were coming to the point where they may cause the Village to go back to the residents for more funds, due to the Headlee amendment. Stoppels showed that there was no fund balance required for Library fund, the Debt fund was holding a fund balance, the Pressure Sewer fund also held a large fund balance (to be investigated during the audit at the end of the fiscal year), and possible overflow from the Pressure Sewer fund could go toward padding the Debt fund even further, overall the total millage rate reduced by over .5 mill, which was very commendable. Stoppels showed a chart with listed differences from year to year, 2004 had the lowest millage rate since 2000. Stoppels also showed a chart with a breakdown in the total tax dollar. Stoppels finished by thanking the budget preparation support team.

Gallasch stated a hypothetical question that a resident might ask about why Villagers pay so many taxes in Franklin. Gallasch stated that the Village needed to show a chart of what the residents really pay, and how small those costs are compared to other communities and compared to what residents pay to Southfield Township. Gallasch also stated that the Village needed to point out that the Fire Department would soon run out of funds, and that sooner or later the Village needed to raise more money, so the Council needed to educate the public. Gallasch also stated that the Village needed to find other methods of getting information out to the public, so more residents would better understand the Village taxes and the services they provide.

#2004-53 Motion by Gallasch, supported by Sosin, to Schedule a Budget Public Hearing for Monday, May 24, 2004 at 7:00 pm at the Village Hall.

Ayes: McElroy, Sosin, Gallasch, Jahnke, Harnisch, Lamott
Nays: None
Absent: Coyer
Motion carried.

XI. PROCLAMATIONS/RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES:

A. Consider Resolution to Approve Oakland County's request to authorize the issuance of its Refunding Bonds, for the Series 1996, dated June 1, 1996, Bonds in the Original Principal Amount of

\$1,400,000 to Defray Part of the Cost of Acquiring and Constructing the Project Described in the Contract with the Village of Franklin, Resulting in Savings to the Village.

#2004-54 Motion by Harnisch, supported by Sosin, to Approve the Resolution to Approve Oakland County's request to authorize the issuance of its Refunding Bonds, for the Series 1996, dated June 1, 1996. Bonds in the Original Principal Amount of \$1,400,000 to Defray Part of the Cost of Acquiring and Constructing the Project Described in the Contract with the Village of Franklin, Resulting in Savings to the Village as described in the resolution provided (attachment #1).

**Ayes: McElroy, Sosin, Gallasch, Jahnke, Harnisch, Lamott
Nays: None
Absent: Coyer
Motion carried.**

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by McElroy, supported by Harnisch, to Adjourn the Meeting.

**Ayes: McElroy, Sosin, Gallasch, Jahnke, Harnisch, Lamott
Nays: None
Absent: Coyer
Motion carried.**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John C. Pulker
Recording Secretary

Eileen Pulker
Village Clerk

Mark Jahnke
Village Council President