

**VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN  
VILLAGE COUNCIL  
WORK SESSION  
SEPTEMBER 1, 2011  
Held at Village Hall  
32325 Franklin Road, Franklin, Michigan**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

President Fred Gallasch called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m. at the Franklin Village Hall.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Present: Mike Seltzer, Lew Eads, Fred Gallasch, Jim Kochensparger

Absent: Bill Lamott (excused), Brian Gettel (excused), Steve Rosenthal

Also Present: Amy Sullivan, Administrator; Eileen Pulker, Village Clerk; John Staran, Village Attorney

**III. WORKSHOP ITEMS**

**1. Finance Committee**

Sullivan advised the Council that a new amendment for the 2010-2011 budget will be brought to them at the Regular September meeting. Because the June meeting was cancelled amendments to the 2010-2011 budget could not be made, thus it will be put on September's agenda. It will be another \$5000 transfer from the General Fund to the Building Fund. An additional budget amendment will be presented for the liability insurance for which the expense came in higher than budgeted, but we received a rebate so the revenue side will be adjusted as well.

**2. Legal Committee**

**A. Property Maintenance Ordinance Revisions**

Staran explained that the Village is currently enforcing the 2000 version of the property code. It needs to be updated and he has requested that the Building Official Bill Dinnan go through the changes and advise. It's more of a housekeeping process for which there are no deadlines.

**B. Consider Organization Meeting, September 26, 2011 at 7:00 PM – with photo at 6:00 PM.**

The meeting is to be scheduled for September 26, 2011 at 6:30PM. with photo session at 6:00 PM.

**C. Consider cancellation of September 29, 2011 Workshop Meeting (Rosh Hashanah)**

There was a discussion to cancel the September 29, 2011 Workshop meeting and combine it with the Organization Meeting on September 26, 2011 at 6:30 PM.

**D. Consider Village Clerk Resolution, change of compensation and benefits**

Kochensparger requested that this item be put on the agenda. He wanted something on record that states that if the Headlee does not pass, the clerk's hours and wages might be changed. Staran explained that the Clerk is an elected full time official of the Village and the Home Rule Village Act states that the compensation of an elected official cannot be reduced during his/her term of office. If an adjustment is to be made it needs to be done before the next term in office. It is not a mandate but it gives Council the flexibility of an option if the Override does not pass.

**E. Consider Temporary Signs for Main Street Franklin "Franklinstein"**

Sullivan explained that there is a new application for temporary signs.

**F. Consider Public Water Procedural Steps**

Sullivan explained that because a resident inquired about public water at the last Council meeting Pulker has provided a report outlining the various procedures.

**G. Consider Sunoco Logistics Request for Booster Station at 14 Mile and Franklin Roads**

Sullivan, Pulker, and Gallasch met with a representative of Sunoco Logistics which operates the Sunoco Natural Gas transmission lines along 14 Mile Rd and Inkster Road. The company is researching the possible locations and that there would be no revenue to the Village. She noted that this research/conversation is very preliminary.

Sherry Sparks, Evelyn Ct., asked that the Village check into the safety and danger aspects of this for the Village as a whole.

**H. Main Street Franklin Discussion**

Bill Lamott asked that this item be placed on the agenda and was not present to discuss it.

**3. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

None

**4. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

None

**5. WEBSITE COMMITTEE**

Sullivan has forwarded the bulk of the material that will be on the website. There is no launch date available as yet.

**6. OPEN ISSUES**

None

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Gail Beke, Recording Secretary

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Eileen H. Pulker, Clerk

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H. Frederick Gallasch, President