

**VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN  
VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, JULY 13, 2015, 7:00 PM  
FRANKLIN VILLAGE HALL – BROUGHTON HOUSE  
32325 FRANKLIN ROAD, FRANKLIN, MICHIGAN 48025**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Kochensparger, at 7:05 PM at the Franklin Village Hall, Franklin, Michigan.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Present: Fred Gallasch, Brian Gordon, Jim Kochensparger, Judy Moenck , Tom Morrow, Mike Seltzer, Pam Hansen (arrived at 7:29 PM)

Also Present: Jim Creech, Village Administrator  
Chief Dan Roberts, Police Department  
Chief Tony Averbuch, Fire Department  
Eileen Pulker, Village Clerk  
Lance Vainik, Treasurer  
John Staran, Village Attorney

**III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Morrow to adopt the Agenda, as presented.**

**Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Kochensparger, Moenck, Morrow, Seltzer**

**Absent: Hansen**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

**IV. MINUTES**

**A. Regular Meeting of June 8, 2015**

**Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Morrow to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes for June 8, 2015 as presented.**

Moenck commented that on page 6 under **B. Consider Modification to Police Chief's...**Creech's response to Gallasch's question about the Personnel Committee issue was not included in the minutes. It appeared to be an open issue and she requested that the minutes reflect his answer, adding "Creech responded stating that the matter had been dealt with administratively within the budgetary process."

**Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Morrow to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes for June 8, 2015, as amended.**

**Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Kochensparger, Moenck, Morrow, Seltzer**

**Absent: Hansen**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

## V. REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICERS AND AGENTS

**Dan Roberts, Police Chief**, referred to his written report, provided an overview of the submitted monthly report and highlighted that the Fourth of July weekend was uneventful. The Village is still in good shape in terms of residential burglaries. An individual was taken into custody who was stealing lawn equipment off of gardening trucks in Franklin and Bingham Farms, who has been charged and is currently in jail. An incident such as this is not unusual for this time of year and fortunately, this year there was a witness. In the past he has worked with Staran and Kochensparger concerning the issue of the group home on Bloomington Ct. and thought a resolution with the owner had been reached. Now, however, the operators of the facility are not moving some of the residents to other facilities. The Police and Fire Departments continue to expend a great deal of resources responding to issues involving the house. He has referred this matter to Staran.

With regards to the police vehicle, **X. NEW BUSINESS, F. Consider Sealed Bids for Used Police Vehicle**, two bids were received and the highest bidder was Chicago Motors. The Village has dealt with them before and he recommended the Council accept this bid.

## X. NEW BUSINESS

### F. Consider Sealed Bids for Used Police Vehicle

**#2015-48 Motion by Morrow, seconded by Moenck to accept the bid of \$9,107 from Chicago Motors for the used 2011 Chevy Tahoe Police cruiser.**

**Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Kochensparger, Moenck, Morrow, Seltzer**

**Absent: Hansen**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

With regards to the civic event application for the Women for Humanity, 5K Run, Roberts confirmed that from a public safety perspective the initial issues have been met.

**Tony Averbuch, Fire Chief**, referred to his monthly report and gave an update on Fire Department equipment and apparatus maintenance for 2015. He also introduced an additional service the Department will be providing. Starting this October the Fire Department will be able to administer Narcan to opiate overdose patients, which will be in the form of an intra-nasal application. Training will be beginning later in the summer and there will be no impact on the Department's budget.

**Barry Silverstein, Chairman of Main Street Franklin Board**, Cheviot Hills, reported that on Wednesday, July 15 there will be a Merchant Mixer at Déjà Vu and Gem of the Night has been scheduled for Saturday, September 12 at the Seltzer's home. Katherine White, Executive Director of Main Street, has handed in her resignation. She will begin a new full time job with benefits in her chosen field. He honored her by listing all her achievements in her 18 months in Franklin and wished her the best for the future adding that Franklin will miss her.

**VI. SUBMISSION OF CURRENT BILLS**

**Motion by Gordon, seconded by Seltzer to approve the Bill's List as presented.**

**Lance Vainik, Treasurer**, referred to his submitted monthly report and noted that the amounts on the Bill's List are consistent with normal monthly spending. The expenditures are generally consistent with the FY2014-15 budget, as well as the newly adopted budget for FY2015-16. It includes a large entry for our Auto/Liability/Building insurance coverage that is paid to Michigan Municipal Risk Management fund. He also noted an entry for the communication equipment for the Police Dept. The list provided of account balances is as of July 8, 2015 and held at Level One Bank. The Village has sufficient funds to meet its current and anticipated obligations.

Moenck inquired about the entry to Rochester Avon Historical Society.

**Ayes: Gordon, Kochensparger, Moenck, Seltzer**

**Abstain: Morrow, Gallasch**

**Absent: Hansen**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

**TOTALS**

General Administration	\$	13,384.42
Building	\$	6,783.33
Insurance	\$	88,924.43
Legal	\$	977.50
Police	\$	23,540.52
Pressure Sewer	\$	-
General Debt Service	\$	-
Major Roads	\$	3,305.26
Local Road	\$	3,503.07
Rubbish	\$	17,519.94
Trust & Agency	\$	6,400.00
Tax Fund	\$	672.48
Waste Water	\$	-
<b>ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>165,010.95</b>

**VII. PUBLIC REQUESTS AND COMMENTS**

Mira Stakhiv, Crestwood Dr., inquired about the awarding of the Village Audit Services. Creech responded that PSLZ was chosen.

## **VIII. SPECIAL REPORTS**

### **A. President's Report**

Kochensparger informed the residents that the Village is working with Oakland County to gather information on a new Grinder Pump Alarm System. Research still needs to be completed on costs.

### **B. Council Report**

Moenck congratulated Jane Roberts and Judy Shagena, former owners of the Franklin Village Boutique, on their retirement and to thank them for their many years of support. She also expressed her concern about the checks which went out on an account that was closed two (2) years ago.

Gallasch brought up the subject of the demolition of historically contributing houses which are outside the Historic District and stated that he believes the Village and Historic District Commission should be pro-active in trying to preserve them. It is his desire to set up a method to let perspective buyers and current owners of a house know the historic significance of the structure and that it is an asset to the Village. Staran stated that the Village has an established procedure to designate, save, and protect those historic houses which are outside the District. He explained the legal issues of demolition and historic preservation. Morrow supported Gallasch's desire to be pro-active. Staran suggested that the subject be discussed later in greater detail.

(Pam Hansen arrived at 7:29 PM)

### **C. Administrator's Report**

Creech reported that the road project has been delayed due to labor shortage adding that hopefully, it will begin at the end of July. Katherine White will be missed and added that he thoroughly enjoyed working with her.

## **IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **A. Consider Demolition Application for the property at 31890 Whatley.**

**#2015-49 Motion by Gordon, seconded by Seltzer to approve the Demolition Application for the property at 32890 Whatley.**

Moenck complimented the Building Official on his letter on the demolition plan review which was part of the information provided for the meeting.

**Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Hansen, Kochensparger, Moenck, Morrow, Seltzer**

**Absent: None**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

### **B. Consider Appointments to Village Boards and Commissions.**

**#2015-50 Motion by Moenck, seconded by Seltzer to re-appoint Eileen Harryvan , Laura Lynn Witty, and Mike Brassfield to the Historic District Commission.**

**Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Hansen, Kochensparger, Moenck, Morrow, Seltzer**  
**Absent: None**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried.**

**#2015-51 Motion by Moenck, seconded by Seltzer to re-appoint Randy Brakeman and Bill Couger to the Zoning Board of Appeals and to appoint J. Bennett Donaldson to the Zoning Board of Appeals.**

**Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Hansen, Kochensparger, Moenck, Morrow, Seltzer**  
**Absent: None**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried.**

## **X. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Consider Request for Proposals for Broughton House Repair/Renovation Project.**

**#2015-52 Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Moenck to accept the proposal for Broughton House Repair/Renovation Project as submitted by Hopkins Burns Design Studio.**

Hansen inquired as to who was on the selection committee and was told Katherine White, Bill Lamott (Franklin Historic Society), and the Village Administrator, Jim Creech. The firm was the low bidder and Creech has previously used this firm.

**Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Hansen, Kochensparger, Moenck, Morrow, Seltzer**  
**Absent: None**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried.**

### **B. Consider Demolition Application for the property at 26841 Charles Lane.**

**#2015-53 Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Moenck to approve the Demolition Application for the Property at 26841 Charles Lane.**

Seltzer complimented the Building Official on his cover letter. Staran stated that he has reviewed this application and had no additional comments. Gallasch questioned the two (2) checked boxes for the septic abandonment and pressure sewer abandonment.

**Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Hansen, Kochensparger, Moenck, Morrow, Seltzer**  
**Absent: None**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried.**

**C. Consider Civic Event Permit Application for the Women for Humanity, 5K Run on October 3, 2015.**

**#2015-54 Motion by Morrow, seconded by Hansen to approve the Civic Event Permit Application for the Women for Humanity, 5K Run on October 3, 2015.**

Lama Samman, Franklin Park Ct., represented the Women for Humanity and explained that the organization is a non-profit 501(c)3, raising funds for educating Syrian refugees and is not connected to Huda School. Insurance will be finalized and the policy will be given to the Village.

**Ayes: Gallasch, Hansen, Kochensparger, Moenck, Morrow**  
**Absent: None**  
**Nays: Gordon, Seltzer**  
**Motion carried.**

**D. Consider Civic Event Permit Application for “Movies on the Green”, July 29, August 5, and August 12, 2015.**

**#2015-55 Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Gordon to approve the Civic Event Permit Application for “Movies on the Green”, July 29, August 5, and August 12, 2015. Council is aware that the Applicant has insurance.**

Hansen suggested that the “Insurance Box” on the application be “checked” or marked “N/A”.

**Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Hansen, Kochensparger, Moenck, Morrow, Seltzer**  
**Absent: None**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried.**

**E. Consider Hazardous Waste Day, Saturday, September 12, 2015, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.**

**#2015-56 Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Moenck to schedule Hazardous Waste Day, Saturday, September 12, 2015, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.**

**Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Hansen, Kochensparger, Moenck, Morrow, Seltzer**  
**Absent: None**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried.**

Hansen asked for a clarification on the different companies which provide this service.

**XI. ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS**

**A. Consider 2015 Master Plan Resolution.**

Staran provided a brief history of the procedure for approving the Master Plan and the legal ramifications.

**#2015-57 Motion by Morrow, seconded by Gordon to adjourn the meeting.**

**Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Morrow**  
**Absent: None**  
**Nays: Hansen, Kochensparger, Moenck, Seltzer**  
**Motion denied.**

**#2015-58 Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Hansen to endorse the 2015 Master Plan Resolution, as presented.**

Council members voiced their opinions.

Mira Stakhiv, Crestwood, complimented the Planning Commission and supported its process.

Connie Ettinger, River Dr., Chairman of Planning Commission, addressed the Council and referred to the timeline which she had provided to the Council.

**Ayes: Gallasch, Hansen, Kochensparger, Moenck, Seltzer**  
**Absent: None**  
**Nays: Gordon, Morrow**  
**Motion carried.**

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Moenck to adjourn the meeting.**

**Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Hansen, Kochensparger, Moenck, Morrow, Seltzer**  
**Absent: None**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried.**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:39P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Beke, Recording Secretary

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Eileen H. Pulker, Clerk

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James Kochensparger, President