

**VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, December 13, 2021, at 7:00 PM
Village of Franklin Hall (Broughton House), 32325 Franklin Road, Franklin, MI 48025**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Lamott, at 7:00 P.M.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Brian Gordon, Kathy Erlich, Mark Hanke, Pam Hansen, Ed Saenz, Mike Seltzer and Bill Lamott

Absent: None

Also Present: Dan Roberts, Police Chief; Tony Averbuch, Fire Chief; Roger Fraser, Village Administrator, Susan Goldstrom, Assistant Administrator; Meg Schubert, Economic Development Director/MSF; Peter Gojcay Village Attorney; Heather Mydloski, Village Clerk, and Ed Zmich of Hubbell, Roth, and Clark

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Saenz to adopt the Agenda as amended.

AYES: Seltzer, Saenz, Hansen, Hanke, Erlich, Gordon, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

IV. MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting of November 08, 2021

Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Saenz to adopt the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of November 08, 2021, as presented.

AYES: Seltzer, Saenz, Hansen, Hanke, Erlich, Gordon, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

V. PUBLIC REQUESTS AND COMMENTS

Public Comments were opened by President Bill Lamott at 7:01 PM.

Peter Halick – 26177 Thirteen Mile

- Spoke of his involvement with the Pickering Farm Preservation effort.
- Seltzer and Gordon asked what the Council could do to support this effort, he responded to approve the Resolution within this agenda.

Public Comments were closed by President Bill Lamott at 7:09PM.

VI. REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICERS AND AGENTS

A. Police Report

Dan Roberts, Police Chief

- Reviewed Submitted Report.
- A Burglary was reported in the submitted report in a residential area, however it was an open, detached garage that was under construction and a chain saw was stolen as a result.
- Last week, three (3) FBFPD Officers were sent immediately to Oxford High School to assist during the tragic shooting that took place. Roberts informed the Council of the Officers fearless and selfless efforts to support our community and local first responders.
- Rose Murdock has been hired as the new Police Clerk and is familiar with Police work as she has served for nearly thirty (30) years as a dispatcher, most recently at Bloomfield Township.
- A new Officer has been selected to replace Sgt. Mark Dyjewski. The new hire is currently employed with a local department as a part-time Officer. FBFPD is currently processing his background investigation, upon its approval he will begin his employment with FBFPD.
- Bingham Farms Village Manager and Clerk Ken Marten has been working with the department for Union Contract Negotiations. The FBFPD Contract expires on December 31, 2021.
- Traffic accidents are more than double over last year. Even with a COVID year, this raises concern. Chief cautioned the public to remain careful and stay safe.

B. Fire Report

Tony Averbuch, Fire Chief

- Reviewed Submitted Report.
- Thanked the Village and DTE for their assistance with the recent storm.
- Reminded residents that carbon monoxide is deadly and advised them to use caution when operating a generator.
- Seltzer asked if the caution pertained to portable generators or whole house generators? Averbuch responded that both were an issue. He further stated that whole house

generators may not be vented properly or inadvertently blocked an incorrectly diverted causing the spread of CO in the residence.

C. Treasurer Report

Lance Vainik, Village Treasurer

- Council reviewed Submitted Report.

VII. SUBMISSION OF CURRENT BILLS

Totals: 12-13-2021	
CATEGORY	SUB TOTALS
General	\$ 86,417.53
Major Streets	\$ 2,489.35
Local Streets	\$ 3,715.04
Police	\$ 65,551.27
Garbage and Rubbish	\$ 29,983.23
Building Dept.	\$ 19,378.91
Library	\$ -
Street Project	\$ 311,224.64
Road Millage	\$ -
Pressure Sewer	\$ -
Tax Collection	\$ -
Wastewater	\$ 9,176.93
TOTALS	\$ 527,936.90

Hansen requested verification for a check disbursement of \$500.00 to Heather Mydloski LLC. Fraser directed the question to Mydloski. Mydloski stated that she was the Social Media Coordinator for the Franklin Bingham Farms Police Department.

Hansen asked for clarification on the HRC as to whether this would be a reoccurring level of expense, or this is solely related to the drain flow mitigation by HRC. Fraser responded that HRC is working on around seven (7) individual projects currently and each one brought the cumulative total to the entry of around \$27,000.00.

Lamott asked Fraser to identify the Plante Moran charges. Lamott understood the estimate to be around \$7,000.00 opposed to the \$26,925.00 actual check disbursement. Fraser explained that it was imperative to receive an analysis of the Finance Department to ascertain the correct procedures and processes. Hansen asked Fraser how much it would cost to maintain Plante Moran for 2-3 hours monthly; Fraser estimates \$500- \$1000 a month moving forward.

Gordon and Lamott requested budget reports to be published quarterly for full transparency. Gordon and Lamott both emphasized their commitment to remain transparent and stewards of the Village finances.

Lamott required additional information about the cameras installed by Vigilante. Fraser asked Roberts to speak to that. Roberts stated they were placed downtown for safety as they cameras could be utilized to monitor traffic for investigation purposes in the event of a burglary or the like.

Hanke inquired of the Owen Tree Service expense. Fraser clarified Owen Tree Service was asked to investigate the black walnut tree the northwest corner of Wellington and Franklin Road ~~that the Village has spent years protecting.~~ to determine whether or not it should be removed in conjunction with their overall evaluation. Upon a comprehensive study, it was determined it should be removed, ultimately for resident safety.

Motion by Seltzer seconded by Saenz to approve the Bills List as presented.

AYES: Seltzer, Saenz, Hansen, Hanke, Erlich, Gordon, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

VIII. SPECIAL REPORTS

A. President's Report

President Lamott

- Discussed Cell Phone Service in the Village.
 - Lamott, Hanke, Planning Commission (PC) Chairman David Goldberg and PC Commissioner Peter Halick would investigate the issue further. The PC had previously conducted a study on cell towers a few years ago, and current study would be prudent. The impact of 5G, cell tower concerns and WIFI bandwidth are among several topics on interest.
- a. Urban Deer Management Program Update**
 - i. Lamott and Fraser are continuing the attend, the monthly meetings in Farmington Hills to obtain answers and possible solutions.

B. Council Report

Trustee Gordon

- Discussed the unusual pattern of the recent storms that devastated Kentucky. He suggested we keep in close contact with DTE to ensure priority is given for the mitigation of storm damage within the Village in the future.
- Erlich stated every resident received a \$25.00 rebate for the interruption of their service during the pattern of storms this summer.
- Hanke suggested inviting DTE to come to a meeting to keep the discussion going.

C. Administrator Report

Roger Fraser, Village Administrator

- The Village has solicited bids from a variety of contractors for the purchase of a whole house generator and they are not available for at least four (4) to six (6) months and the cost has now doubled.
- Introduced Susan Goldstrom as the new Assistant Administrator. The Council welcomed her.

a. Storm Sewer Maintenance Service Grant Update

No update was given.

D. Main Street Franklin Report

Meg Schubert, MSF/Economic Development Director

- Two (2) events in the downtown regional center:
 - Shop Small was well attended and there was positive merchant feedback.
 - Sip, Shop and Stroll was a record year, and the addition of the coffee cart was a huge hit.
- Madeline's French Patisserie had a soft open.
 - Hanke asked what could be done to help. He suggested a welcome in the Village Newsletter. Schubert informed the Council that the owner is open to the idea but will wait until she is fully operational before requesting publication.
- A small barn, owned by Les Gorback has been given face lift in the Village Center to enhance the aesthetic of our Village. Gorback has made an extensive effort to upgrade the barn and it is a welcome improvement. Lamott mentioned the small barn was originally an icehouse in the 1900's, it is a valued piece of our history.
- The Drake Center is now open. Cassius and Jacqueline Drake have opened a medical center to focus on trauma recovery.
- Seltzer asked about Tangerine Wine.
 - They are looking to expand with grab and go food and additional wine tastings that will fill the current empty space.

E. Planning Commission Report

Chairman David Goldberg

- The PC recommended approval for the second site plan revision for the Dental Office at 32767 Franklin Road.
 - They are planning to convert the old barn to a live-work space and the gray workshop will be converted into a small retail space.
 - They have sufficient parking on the property. They are paving the parking lot and enhancing the landscaping
 - Seltzer asked if a there was a targeted retailer. Responding to Seltzer, Goldberg stated there were ideas circulated but nothing official.
- Scheduled two (2) Public Hearings:

- Minor Zoning Text Amendment changes:
 - Maximum Height of Building, particularly in the Commercial District.
 - Very minor correction to the Garden Fence Ordinance.
- The Parking Space Layout Diagram in our Zoning Ordinance is nearly illegible, and the PC is currently working to update it accordingly.
- Hansen asked Goldberg about the parking behind the buildings on the west side of Franklin Road was targeted for improvement, but it was never completed. She wanted to know if the Parking Space Layout Update will investigate the efficiency and the flow of traffic to improve that situation? Goldberg clarified the issue has been addressed by the PC and they approved the design of traffic to flow from Evelyn Court and subsequent landscaping to be added to address the grading difference as well.
- Gordon inquired of the usage by the vacant lots by the old Bank of America on Thirteen Mile and Birchway Drive. Goldberg stated the land divisions had been picked up but there is not to officially report.

F. Diversity Equity & Inclusion Committee Report

No one was present.

IX. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Community Development Block Grant (CBDG Plan Year 2022)

Public Hearing was opened by President Bill Lamott at 7:56 PM.

Chris Braun- Executive Director of NEXT

- Thanked Council for their support of the NEXT program.
- Informed the Council that the NEXT facility had to close for a brief period during the COVID-19 pandemic. However, they continued to call members and check on them as well as provide transportation and Meals on Wheels.
- When the state permitted them to, NEXT erected an outdoor tent to meet community needs.
- The NEXT programs are continuing to thrive, and additional funds are desired for their expansion and continuation.
- NEXT has 2,000 current members, however you do not need to be a member to utilize their services.
- Gordon asked how many members are Franklin residents. Braun responded sixty (60.)
- Gordon and Seltzer inquired of the number of Meals on Wheels utilized by Franklin residents. Braun responded four (4.)
- Lamott and Saenz commended NEXT for their excellent community service.

Hanke informed the Council that HAVEN had submitted a request for \$2500.00 of the funds.

Public Hearing was closed by President Bill Lamott at 8: 05 PM

X. UNFINISHED BUISNESS

A. Bid Proposal for Snow Removal

Fraser informed the Council that Johnson Landscaping was the only bid the Village received for Snow removal. He further mentioned that Johnson Landscaping needed a regular pay structure to ensure he will be able to pay his workers. A payment structure was outlined in his contract. Fraser and Gojcaj had reviewed the contract.

Hansen asked how this new payment structure compared to his prior billing. Fraser did not have the numbers in front of him.

Hansen was concerned for the defined standard for snow plowing. She implored the Council to consider if they were willing to accept the defined standards. She emphasized that Jerry Johnson's concerns needed to be met.

Erlich clarified the snowplow standard was the 4th bullet point and 7th bullet point of the contract.

Gordon inquired of Fraser as to how much the Village has paid Johnson Landscaping annually in the past.

Hanke asked if salt services for the Franklin Community Church parking lot had always been in the contract. Lamott responded there was an agreement in place between the Village and the Church. Lamott reminded the Council that the Village uses the Church parking lot often and the church depends on the snow service as they have a tight budget. The agreement has therefore proven mutually beneficial. Hansen questioned if there was a current agreement in place, Fraser will substantiate.

2021-103 Motion by Hansen, seconded by Seltzer, to approve the Proposal for Snow Removal from Johnson Landscaping, expiring on November 14, 2022, as presented.

AYES: Seltzer, Saenz, Hansen, Hanke, Erlich, Gordon, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider Proclamation Honoring Doreen Martin

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS Doreen A. Martin has served the Village of Franklin in the Administrative Offices since March of 2019, and

WHEREAS Doreen Martin has many years of work experience in Michigan local government and is a certified municipal clerk, and

WHEREAS Doreen Martin, for those who work with her, is a virtual walking, talking library of information about regulations, procedures, and policies related to Michigan local government and the Village of Franklin, and

WHEREAS Doreen was first hired by the Village as the Building Clerk, she also served as Deputy Village Clerk and, in November of 2020 was appointed Office Manager, and

WHEREAS during her tenure with the Village Doreen Martin has many noteworthy accomplishments that include the following:

- With innate leadership skills created an atmosphere of competence and concern for residents, welcoming them to the Village Offices and assuring their needs are addressed.
- Developed an online payment system providing improved access for contractors using the Building Department and for residents and others making payments to the Village.
- Developed an automated system using B.S.&A. software to properly and efficiently manage payments received.
- Researched contemporary alternatives to the Village's outdated phone system in the administrative offices and facilitated acquisition of a cost-effective replacement system.
- Planned and organized a substantial effort to address out-of-date files and other waste in Village offices utilizing volunteers in a weekend effort to remove debris from the Village Hall.
- Designed and implemented a cost-effective means of sending brief notices to Village addresses using a newly acquired electronic postage machine, and

WHEREAS Doreen Martin has submitted her resignation from the Village of Franklin effective December 31, 2021,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Franklin Village Board of Trustees hereby recognizes the outstanding contributions of Doreen Martin during her tenure with the Village and expresses profound gratitude for the time she has given to the Village of Franklin.

Adopted by the Franklin Village Council this 13th day of December, 2021.

2021-104 Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Saenz, to approve the Proclamation Honoring Doreen Martin as presented.

Lamott publicly thanked Martin for her excellent work and stated she will be missed.

AYES: Seltzer, Saenz, Hansen, Hanke, Erlich, Gordon, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

B. Consider Community Development Block Grant (CDBG Plan Year 2022)

Lamott asked Chris Braun- Executive Director of NEXT to define how other communities do it. She agreed the process of splitting the funds is indeed cumbersome.

Fraser read his submitted memo to the Council.

2021-105 Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Gordon for HAVEN to receive \$2500.00 and NEXT to receive \$4500.00 of the \$7,000.00 Allocation of Community Development Block Grant Funds for the Plan Year of 2022.

AYES: Seltzer, Saenz, Hansen, Hanke, Erlich, Gordon, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Hansen suggested the Council to resolve to make the fund availability known to other entities in the community so that the funds can be accessed by a wider array of community needs.

2021-106 Motion by Hansen, seconded by Saenz, to approve a Resolution to Post a Public Notice on the Village website a month prior to the Public Hearing requirements, so that there is ample time for the Council to reach out to community entities and invite them to the Public Hearing.

AYES: Seltzer, Saenz, Hansen, Hanke, Erlich, Gordon, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

C. Consider Proposal from Hubbell, Roth, and Clark for 2021-2022 Annual Storm Sewer Maintenance Program

Zmich reviewed his submitted bid report for a proposal submitted in August of this year.

Zmich stated that the submitted proposal has become part of the two hundred thousand (\$200,000.00) Grant that the Village is in the process of acquiring from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation through the State of Michigan. This was the basis for the said grant that is in process. Zmich further stated that the Storm Sewer Maintenance Program and the Carol Street Drain Investigation project would both fall under the umbrella of the above-mentioned grant.

The Council agreed to wait until the grant was finalized so that the overall spend could be properly ascertained prior to the approval of the proposed bid.

D. Consider Proposal from Hubbell, Roth, and Clark for Carol Street Drain Investigation

Zmich reviewed his submitted bid report. The Request for Proposal (RFP) by invitation to vetted contractors has been sent out and two (2) bids were received, and they were solid bids with competitive pricing, specially in the current economic environment.

Gordon and Seltzer asked Zmich to confirm that the grant would cover all the costs associated with the Carol Street Drain and the Storm Sewer Maintenance program with no cost to the Village, Zmich substantiated there would be no cost to the Village. Zmich further explained that the Village may incur costs upfront and request reimbursement when the grant funds are officially available. Zmich stated also that if the work exceeds the grant amount the Village will then be responsible for the difference.

Fraser clarified there was a specific allocation made from the state legislature was to provide \$200,000.00 to a Village with a population of 3000 and we happened to be the only Village that fit the grant description.

Zmich implored the Council to continue reaching out to Village residents for their feedback so that the proper mitigation could be ascertained and then added to the project.

Fraser cautioned the Council that he could not substantiate that the Village would indeed be reimbursed for \$27,210.00 as it cannot be guaranteed at this juncture. Fraser further cautioned that the Village needed to proceed with the Carol Street Drain project, as it is a high priority, regardless of reimbursement as it is imperative to proceed with the project.

Hansen expressed concerned that the work that was completed by Novak and Frause Engineering (NFE) may cause redundancy. Zmich responded to Hansen that he had been in contact with Steve Sutton of NFE and would continue to do so to ascertain what new structures were built and what maintenance was completed with the existing structures.

Fraser confirmed that the cross pieces on Franklin Road were not part of the conversation with NFE prior to this project (with HRC.) Fraser will verify.

Hansen further stated that there may be a performance issue with NFE. Fraser assured Hansen that NFE has been great to work with and he would contact Sutton and investigate the matter.

2021-107 Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Saenz, to approve the Proposal from Hubbell, Roth and Clark for Carol Street Drain Investigation not to exceed the amount of \$27,210.00 with the contingency that the Village receives funds awarded from the Grant from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation through the State of Michigan as presented.

AYES: Seltzer, Saenz, Hansen, Hanke, Erlich, Gordon, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

E. Consider Proposal from Hubbell, Roth, and Clark for Pedestrian Path on Village Land/Easements in the Colony Hill/Irving/Captains Lane Area

Zmich reviewed his submitted bid report.

Zmich informed the Council that the affected residents for on the proposed pathway need to be notified.

Responding to Gordon, Zmich said that water run off issues would be identified though preliminary topography, layout, and cross sections studies.

Seltzer asked how many properties were affected, Zmich answered ten (10.)

Gordon expressed his desire for the project to initiate and complete in a timely manner as recent Village project have had extensive delays. Hanke was in full support. Zmich stated that it was possible to expediate the process pending weather conditions. Zmich confirmed the prices would remain the same no matter what timeframe work was initiated.

2021-108 Motion by Gordon, seconded by Seltzer to approve the Proposal from Hubbell, Roth and Clark for Pedestrian Path on Village Land/Easements in the Colony Hill/Irving/Captains Lane Area as presented.

AYES: Seltzer, Saenz, Hansen, Hanke, Erlich, Gordon, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

F. Consider Ordinance Revision to Section 1268.28, Creating Standards for Garden Fence Enclosures

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-05

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 1268.28(b)(11)(A), ZONING, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, TO ADOPT REGULATIONS CONCERNING GARDEN FENCE STANDARDS.

THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN ORDAINS:

Section 1. Amendment. That Part 12 – Planning & Zoning Code, Title Four – Zoning, Chapter/Section 1268.28(b)(11)(A), Zoning, of the Codified Ordinances, Village of Franklin, Oakland County, Michigan, is hereby amended in its entirety to read as follows:

A. Location. A garden enclosure shall not be permitted in any front yard nor any required side yard.

Section 2. Severability. This ordinance and each Chapter, section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, part, provision, sentence, word and portion thereof are hereby declared to be severable; and if they or any of them are declared to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, it is hereby provided that the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 3. Penalty. All violations of this ordinance shall be municipal civil infractions and upon a determination of responsibility therefore shall be punishable by a civil fine of not more than \$500 and such other sanctions as may be ordered pursuant to Village Code Section 202.99.

Section 4. Savings. All proceedings pending and all rights and liabilities existing, acquired or incurred the time this ordinance takes effect, are saved and may be consummated according to the law in force when they were commenced.

Section 5. Repeal, Effective Date, Adoption.

(1) Repeal. All regulatory provisions contained in other Village ordinances which conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

(2) Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective on Sunday, January 02, 2022, twenty (20) days following its adoption, and shall be published prior to its effective date as mandated by charter and statute.

(3) Adoption. This ordinance was adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Franklin at a meeting thereof held on December 13, 2021.

Fraser invited Goldberg to expound on the change. Goldberg stated it was a minor, typographical error that needed to be corrected to

(Under A. Location. A garden enclosure shall not be permitted in any front yard or any required side ~~or read~~ yard.)

2021-109 Motion by Gordon, seconded by Erlich to waive the second reading to approve the Ordinance Revision to Section 1268.28, Creating Standards for Garden Fence Enclosures as presented.

AYES: Seltzer, Saenz, Hansen, Hanke, Erlich, Gordon, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

G. Consider Resolution for Village Credit Card

VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION TO ACQUIRE CREDIT CARDS AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION

AND RULES CONCERNING CREDIT CARD TRANSACTIONS

WHEREAS, MCL 129.243 requires that a local governing unit may be a party to a credit card arrangement so long as it has a written policy concerning such credit card transactions; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council desires to acquire credit cards concerning certain transactions and adopt the following Resolution concerning credit card transactions.

THEREFORE, the Village Council of the Franklin Village resolves:

1. The Village Council designates the Administrator as the employee responsible for credit card issuance, accounting, monitoring, and retrieval and generally for overseeing compliance with the credit card policy. MCL 129.243 Sec. 3(a)
2. The Village credit card may only be used by an employee of the Village for purchases of goods or services for official Village business. MCL 129.243 Sec. 3(b)
3. Any employee issued a Village credit card must submit documentation to the Clerk for any goods or services purchased including: a description of the goods or services purchased, the vendor name, the cost of the goods and services, the date of the purchase, and the official business for which purchased. MCL 129.243 Sec. 3(c)
4. Any employee issued a Village credit card is responsible for its protection and custody and shall immediately notify the Administrator if the credit card is lost or stolen. MCL 129.243 Sec. 3(d)
5. Any employee issued a Village credit card shall return the credit card upon the termination of their employment with the Village. MCL 129.243 Sec. 3(e)

6. The Administrator shall be responsible for creating and maintaining a system of internal accounting controls to monitor the use of the credit cards issued by the Village. MCL 129.243 Sec. 3(f)
7. Credit card invoices must be approved prior to payment. MCL 129.243 Sec. 3(g)
8. Credit card invoices must be paid within 60 days after the initial statement date. MCL 129.243 Sec. 3(h)
9. Unauthorized use of the Village credit card by an employee shall result in disciplinary measures consistent with law. MCL 129.243 Sec. 3(i)
10. The Village Council shall approve the total Village credit card limit by resolution which shall be ~~no higher than 5% of the total budget~~ a maximum, annual spending limit of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) of the Village Budget ~~(as determined by State law)~~ for the current fiscal year. MCL 129.244 Sec. 4(1)
11. The Administrator will be responsible for determining credit limits for any employee issued a Village credit card.
12. The credit card shall not be used for cash advances.

Hansen requested clarification on why the amount of five percent (5%) max of the Village Budget listed in the resolution seemed too high as it equated to nearly \$100,000.00. Gordon Agreed.

Fraser stated the language was pulled directly from the Michigan Compiled Laws (MCL.)

2021-110 Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Saenz to approve the Resolution for Village Credit Card as amended to include a maximum, spending limit of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) annually of the Village budget for the current fiscal year.

AYES: Seltzer, Saenz, Hansen, Hanke, Erlich, Gordon, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

H. Consider Resolution for PA 152 Exemption

RESOLUTION - EXEMPTION

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE ANNUAL EXPEMPTION OPTION AS SET FORTH IN 2011 PUBLIC ACT 152, THE PUBLICLY FUNDED HEALTH INSURANCE CONTRIBUTION ACT.

WHEREAS, 2011 Public Act 152 (the “Act”) was passed by the State Legislature and signed by the Governor on September 24, 2011;

WHEREAS, the Act contains three options for complying with the requirements of the Act;

WHEREAS, the three options are as follows;

1. Section 3 – “Hard Caps” Option – limits a public employer’s total annual health care costs for employees based on coverage levels, as defined in the Act;
2. Section 4 – “80%/20% Option – limits a public employer’s share of total annual health care costs to not more than 80%. This option requires an annual majority vote of the governing body;
3. Section 8 – “Exemption” Option – a local unit of government, as defined in the Act, may exempt itself from the requirements of the Act by an annual 2/3 vote of the governing body;

WHEREAS, the Village of Franklin has decided to adopt the annual Exemption option as its choice of compliance under the Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Village Council of the Village of Franklin elects to comply with the requirements of 2011 Public Act 152, the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act, by Adopting the annual Exemption option for the medical benefit plan coverage year January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022.

2021-111 Motion by Saenz seconded by Seltzer, to approve the Resolution for PA 152 Exemption as presented.

AYES: Seltzer, Saenz, Hansen, Hanke, Erlich, Gordon, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

I. Consider Resolution in Support of Preservation of the Pickering Farm

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PRESERVATION OF THE PICKERING FARM

Whereas the Pickering farm, located on the east side of Franklin Road north of Fourteen Mile, is a significant regional historic property, and

Whereas the property is under contract for sale and could be developed into a new residential subdivision, and

Whereas preservation of the historically important farmstead buildings would have a significant positive impact on the Village of Franklin as well as Bloomfield Township, and

Whereas the Pickering Farm Preservation Association wants to purchase the farmstead so it can be repurposed for contemporary uses.

Now therefore the Franklin Village Council commends the efforts of the Pickering Farm Preservation Association and supports development and implementation of a plan to preserve and constructively use the historically significant structures that comprise the Pickering Farm.

Approved by the Franklin Village Board of Trustees this 13th day of December, 2021.

2021-112 Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Saenz to approve the Resolution in Support of Preservation of the Pickering Farm as presented.

AYES: Seltzer, Saenz, Hansen, Hanke, Erlich, Gordon, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Lamott, seconded by Hansen to adjourn.

AYES: Seltzer, Saenz, Hansen, Hanke, Erlich, Gordon, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:19 PM.

William Lamott
Village Council President

Heather Mydloski
Village Clerk
