

**VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, June 12, 2023, at 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 Bill Lamott, at 7:01 P.M.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Kathy Erlich, David Goldberg, Mark Hanke, David Sahli, Mike Seltzer, and Bill Lamott

Absent: Pam Hansen

Present: Dan Roberts, Police Chief; Tony Averbuch, Fire Chief; Roger Fraser, Village Administrator; Susan Goldstrom, Assistant Administrator; and Peter Gojcaj, Village Attorney

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Sahli to adopt the Agenda as amended, to postpone the consideration of JenStan Property Title Split until the next Village Council meeting.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen

Motion carried.

IV. MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting of May 8, 2023

Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Erlich to adopt the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of May 8, 2023, with corrections.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen

Motion carried.

V. PUBLIC REQUESTS AND COMMENTS

Public Comments were opened by President Bill Lamott at 7:05 PM.

Jeff Weinger, 25866 Balsam

- He spoke about the issues he has with drainage at his home. The problems started after the home next to his was built. He has not heard anything from the Village administration since April 24th.

Fraser stated that since that Council meeting, the Village has spent time inspecting the site to check the work to route the water from the front end of the property to the end of the property.

Attorney Gojcaj added that the Village issued a letter requesting the neighbor contact HRC.

Discussion followed.

Public Comments were closed by President Bill Lamott at 7:40 PM.

VIII. POLICE OFFICER RECOGNITION AWARDS PRESENTATION

Chief Dan Roberts presented his officers with recognition awards.

VI. REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICERS AND AGENTS

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A. Police Report

Dan Roberts, Police Chief

- Dan Roberts, Police Chief reviewed with Village Council his submitted report.
- Roberts informed the Council that its Touch A Truck event at Bingham Farms Elementary School was a success.
- He followed up on the Franklin Park Drive concerns and stated the average speed was under 22 mph.
- He stated the previous night, they had 6 or 7 incidents where unlocked vehicles were targeted by thieves.
- He stated that Lieutenant Mike Bastianelli has announced his retirement, and that he will be leaving on September 15th. He is currently working with Village to find a replacement.

Discussion followed.

Items discussed were the speeding around Franklin Park Drive, purchasing another electronic speed sign and the intersection of Telegraph and 14 Mile Road being obscured by shrubbery.

Action Item: purchasing another electronic speed sign.

B. Fire Report

Tony Averbuch, Fire Chief

- Tony Averbuch, Fire Chief reviewed with Village Council his submitted report.

C. Treasurer Report

Lance Vainik, Village Treasurer

- Lance Vainik, Village Treasurer reviewed with the Village Council his treasurer’s report.
- There was a large entry of \$124,254.50 for the payment to Asphalt Specialists.

VII. SUBMISSION OF CURRENT BILLS

Totals: 6-11-2023	
CATEGORY	SUB TOTALS
General	\$ 22,657.85
Major Streets	\$ 162,797.22
Local Streets	\$ 39,487.96
Police	\$ 72,395.84
Garbage and Rubbish	\$ 15,179.49
Building Dept.	\$ 14,223.11
Library	\$ -
Street Project	\$ -
Road Millage	\$ -
Sewer Fund	\$ -
Tax Collection	\$ -
Wastewater	\$ 5,895.41
TOTALS	\$ 324,034.61

Discussion:

- Items discussed were the snow plowing, tree debris cleanup, replacement of street signs, and janitorial services.

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Goldberg to approve the submitted bills.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen

Motion carried.

IX. SPECIAL REPORTS

A. President’s Report

- No report.

B. Council Report

Seltzer provided the Council an update on Next’s search to secure a permanent facility. He stated that they have made an offer to Birmingham’s YMCA. They will move to the new location in the September or October timeframe.

Hanke stated he would like to know what should be the next steps for the upcoming cellular service forum.

Discussion on the upcoming Cellular Service Town Hall and the flyer that was released followed.

Sahli loved the recognition and awards of the officers. He would like the Village to consider sending out a communication to the residents. Also, he took a moment to acknowledge June is Pride Month and to support LGBTQ+ community.

Goldberg wanted to let the Planning Commission know how much the Village appreciate the work that they do.

C. Administrator Report

No report.

D. Planning Commission Report

Pete Halick, Chairperson

The Planning Commission is currently working on the following:

- Worked on the Village's Public and Institutional Zoning Ordinance. The Planning Commission's recommendation at this point is to proceed with changing these zoning designations.

Discussion followed.

E. Main Street Franklin Report

No report.

Action Item: Lamott would like to meet with the Main Street committee for a fresh start.

Discussion followed.

F. Cellular Service Report

Peter Gojcay, Village Attorney

Gojcay spoke on the current T-Mobile application that was submitted. He stated that an entity named Extanet has filed a right of way application. They are seeking to install a new utility pole at Woodside Drive and 13 Mile Road. They have also submitted an engineering application. Michigan has adopted the Small Cell Wireless Act and this act favors the wireless providers.

Discussion followed.

Action Item: Cellular Service Subcommittee to schedule a public meeting in the next two weeks.

Discussion followed.

X. OLD BUSINESS

A. Consider Proposed Budget, Fiscal Year 2023-2024, beginning July 1, 2023

R E S O L U T I O N

To Adopt Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Annual Operating Budget

WHEREAS the Village Council of the Village of Franklin must annually adopt an operating budget to allocate funds for expenses needed to provide required services to the residents and businesses of the Village, and

WHEREAS at the Council Meeting of May 8 staff presented to Council a draft of the FY 2023-24 budget for review and consideration. To that end the Council met on May 15 for a workshop on the budget, and

WHEREAS the provided budget documents included not only the required columnar presentation of the new fiscal year revenues and expenditures for each account/activity, but Council was also provided with summaries of year end totals for each fiscal year since 2016 and was also provided forecasts for the next two fiscal years following FY 2023-24, and

WHEREAS the information provided to Council enabled healthy discussion of the fiscal circumstances of the Village and helped Council perceive steps they will need to take for future, healthy funding of the Village services, and

WHEREAS adoption of this proposed FY 2023-24 budget is the reasonable next step toward a strong fiscal future for the Village,

NOW IT IS RESOLVED that the FY 2023-24 Operating Budget is hereby adopted as presented with this resolution.

Adopted this 12th day of June 2023.

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Hanke to approve the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Annual Operating Budget.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen

Motion carried.

Action Item: In the fall, discuss storm preparation plans.

XI. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Consider Music on the Green Civic Event Permit.**
- B. Consider Art in the Village Civic Event Permit.**
- C. Consider Resolution for the CDBG 2024-2026 Cooperation Agreement.**

R E S O L U T I O N

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Oakland County, Michigan Urban County Qualification 2024-2026

We resolve to opt into Oakland County's Urban County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) programs for the program years 2024, 2025 and 2026. Furthermore, we resolve to remain in Oakland County's Urban County Community Development programs, which shall be automatically renewed in successive three-year qualification periods of time, or until such time that it is in the best interest of the local Community to terminate the Cooperative Agreement.

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Hanke to approve the consent agenda items.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen

Motion carried.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Consider Attached Report and Ordinance for 2023-2024 Franklin Sewage Disposal System Rate.**

Fraser explained that the disposal system rate money goes into a maintenance fund which WRC uses to repair properties in the Village.

Discussion followed.

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Hanke to approve the consent agenda items.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen

Motion carried.

- B. Consider Adoption of the Millage Rates for Fiscal Year 2023-2024, as requested on form L-4029 as attached.**

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Hanke to approve the Adoption of Millage Rates for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024, July 1, 2023.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen

Motion carried.

C. Consider Budget Amendments Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

**FRANKLIN VILLAGE COUNCIL
RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FY2022-23 BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the Franklin Village Council adopted the FY2022-23 Operating Budget on June 13, 2022, to be effective July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, and

WHEREAS, despite our best efforts, the revenues and expenditures actually experienced during the fiscal year do not always match the allocations included in the Budget, and

WHEREAS, the FY2022-23 Fiscal Year revenues and expenditures for the first eleven months have been reviewed and compared against the amounts budgeted, and

WHEREAS, attached to this resolution is a report detailing the recommended adjustments in revenues and expenditures in each of the several operating funds, and

WHEREAS, the FY2022-23 Budget general fund was balanced with the appropriation of \$412,125 from the general fund balance, and

WHEREAS, the net change in the General Fund balance due to the described changes in revenues and expenditures within the General Fund is an expenditure increase of \$104,204 that increases the appropriation from Fund Balance to \$516,329, and which results in a revised Budgeted Ending Fund Balance on June 30, 2023, of \$725,970.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that the budget amendments demonstrated in the attached document for the General Fund, Major Streets Fund, local streets fund, Street Projects fund, Police Fund, and Building Fund are approved this 12th day of June 2023.

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Hanke to approve the FY2022-23 Budget Adjustments.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen

Motion carried.

D. Consider Resolution For MI Pension Grant.

R E S O L U T I O N

**Village of Franklin Board of Trustees
Consider Michigan Local Pension Grant Program**

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 979(a)(2) of Public Act 166 of 2022, the Protecting MI Pension: Michigan Local Pension Grant Program was created to help Michigan underfunded municipal pension systems provide enrolled local government employee retirement benefits; and

WHEREAS, under the Fiscal Year 2022-23 State budget, the Michigan Department of Treasury was appropriated \$750 million to establish and operate a local unit municipal pension principal payment grant program for qualified retirement systems with a funded ratio below 60%, as defined in the Protecting Local Government Retirement and Benefits Act, Public Act 202 of 2017; and

WHEREAS the Village Council of the Village of Franklin (the “Village Council”) is requesting to apply for the Protecting MI Pension: Michigan Local Pension Grant Program, as the Village’s defined benefit pension plan is below 60% funded; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Village Council of the Village of Franklin, Michigan authorizes and directs the Village Administrator, Roger Fraser (Chief Administrative Officer) to file a claim for the pension grant award and is authorized to sign any forms or documents required by the State of Michigan to apply for this grant.

Adopted this 12th day of June 2023.

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Hanke to approve the resolution for the MI Pension Grant.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen

Motion carried.

E. Consider the JenStan Property Title Split.

Action Item: postpone until the July 10th Village Council meeting.

F. Consider Proposal for the Authorization of Golf Carts on Public Roads.

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Erlich to refer this item to the Planning Commission for review.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen

Motion carried.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Seltzer, seconded by all to adjourn the meeting.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen

Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:27 P.M.

William Lamott, President

Dana Hughes, Village Clerk