

**VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, May 9, 2022, at 7:00 PM
Franklin Community Church
26425 Wellington Road, Franklin, Michigan 48025**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Lamott, at 7:02 P.M.

II. ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Pam Hansen and Ed Saenz

Present: Dan Roberts, Police Chief; Tony Averbuch, Fire Chief; Roger Fraser, Village Administrator, Susan Goldstrom, Assistant Administrator; Meg Schubert, Economic Development Director/MSF; Peter Gojcaj, Village Attorney; Lance Vainik, Village Treasurer, Dana Hughes, Village Clerk and Ed Zmich of Hubbell, Roth, and Clark

III. POLICE AWARD PRESENTATIONS

Chief Roberts thanked the Council for the opportunity to present its Annual Officer Awards. The nomination for these awards comes from the citizens, businesses, and the officers themselves. These awards look at performances above and beyond the normal day to day function of an officer. A committee involving the union president for the police officers, Lieutenant Bastianelli, Sergeant Mydloski and Chief Roberts goes through the nominations

First award presented goes to Lieutenant Bastianelli, Officer Hall and Sergeant Mydloski for their work responding to an assault that occurred in Bingham Farms involving a stabbing. The second award goes to Officer Gorski for his work revolving a stolen special edition Ford F-150 pickup truck that was only sold in Mexico and to Sergeant Mydloski for his subsequent investigation. The third award goes to Lieutenant Bastianelli involved an intoxicated driver under the influence of a Schedule one narcotic, fentanyl. The fourth award goes to Officer Doolan and a Bloomfield Township officer, called in for backup, involving a routine traffic stop with driver acting peculiar. After drug paraphernalia was found. When the suspect was taken into custody, an illegal taser was found on his person. The work of Sergeant Mydloski got a warrant issued on him through the Oakland County Prosecutor's office where the suspect was charged with possession of illegal drugs and driving on a suspended license. Finally, the last award goes to Officer Goodroe. He was nominated through the Birmingham Public Schools, for his work at Bingham Farms Elementary School. He volunteered a lot of his time, both on and off duty there. He was a constant presence there. This is great community representative of the department and outstanding public service.

Chief Roberts introduced Franklin's newest Sergeant, Justin Wells. He was promoted a coup of months ago. He has been with the Village of Franklin for several years. Before that he was a deputy sheriff in North Dakota.

IV. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Seltzer and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen and Saenz

Motion carried.

V. MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting of February 14, 2022

Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Erlich to adopt the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of February 14, 2022, as amended.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Seltzer and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen and Saenz

Motion carried.

B. Regular Meeting of April 11, 2022

Motion by Hanke, seconded by Saenz to adopt the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of April 11, 2022, as presented.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Seltzer and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen and Saenz

Motion carried.

VI. PUBLIC REQUESTS AND COMMENTS

Public Comments were opened by President Bill Lamott at 7:20 PM.

Pete Halick – 26177 13 Mile Road

- Wanted to thank the Council for the letter of support in his efforts to save the Pickering Farm. They were able to make an offer on one of the lots, but the developer didn't feel it was adequate. The barn will remain for a little while, but the house and garage will be taken down before to long. He is asking if anyone knows anyone who might be in a position to help them out, let him know.

Seltzer asked if Halick has any materials he could send him.

David Sahli 26172 Meadow Drive

- Would like to see a short write up for each of the awards, not just for the newsletter but for the entire community. Believes it is a good way to highlight the work that they do. He would like to see extending that outreach as much as possible would be really helpful.
- He stated the DEI recently a committee member who moved out of the village. He would like to go out and do additional recruiting to try and bring in more members.

Public Comments were closed by President Bill Lamott at 7:29 PM.

VII. REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICERS AND AGENT

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A. Police Report

Dan Roberts, Police Chief

- Dan Roberts, Police Chief reviewed with Village Council the submitted report.
- Roberts stated the body cameras purchased from Axon is coming out to make sure that we are all up and running next week. The officers will carry the body cameras on the front of their uniforms. They can activate it whenever they need by pushing the circle right on the front of it or it will automatically activate if they turn on their light or siren from their patrol cars.
- When the officers return to the station, the device is placed on a portable charging station and is automatically downloaded to the cloud. The officers are all onboard with this and we have a policy developed and in place now.

Discussion:

- ❖ Will copy of the policy be provided the council next month?
 - Chief Roberts stated it would be.

B. Fire Report

Bill Lamott, Village President

- Stated no representative from the Fire Department was presented. He also stated that if though they were not present, they provided a written report.

C. Treasurer Report

Lance Vainik, Village Treasurer

- Lance Vainik, Village Treasurer reviewed with the Village Council the treasurer's report.

VIII. SUBMISSION OF CURRENT BILLS

Totals: 5-8-2022	
CATEGORY	SUB TOTALS
General	\$ 67,705.20

Major Streets	\$ 23,885.65
Local Streets	\$ 8,268.28
Police	\$ 50,959.30
Garbage and Rubbish	\$ 14,947.05
Building Dept.	\$ 1,893.81
Library	\$ -
Street Project	\$ -
Road Millage	\$ 640,800.00
Pressure Sewer	\$ -
Tax Collection	\$ -
Wastewater	\$ 3,362.61
TOTALS	\$ 811,821.90

Discussion:

- ❖ There was a large entry of \$31,637.60 for seasonal snow removal and some ending contract bills that were paid to Johnson Landscaping. Also were some large amounts on the bills list due to debt repayment.
- ❖ How was the overcharge credit from Johnson uncovered?
 - A review of the contract actual statements
- ❖ Discussion regarding fuel charges usage by the police
 - Because the police do not have access o its own gas pumps, the y must use various stations and it depends on which stations are open.
- ❖ Discussion on 2021 delinquent ser for \$28,000.00, is this amount collected back from them?
 - When the tax settlement is done.

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

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Seltzer and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen and Saenz

Motion carried.

IX. SPECIAL REPORTS

A. President's Report

No report.

B. Council Report

Goldberg concern about Franklin residents that live along the Franklin River. There are tons of debris throughout the course of the river. His question is who is responsible for the damage?

Discussion:

- ❖ Fraser stated the Water Resources Commission is generally responsible for what is going on in the river.

C. Administrator Report

No report

D. Main Street Franklin Report

Meg Schubert, MSF/Economic Development Director

- Officially, Franklin has a new business coming to the downtown. It is going to be located next to the dry cleaners in the Village Plaza. There is a long-term lease signed by a Detroit native named Wanda McLeod. She will be opening pet boutique, serving natural organic, healthy pet treats and pet accessories. It is going to be called the Paw Boutique. Eventually, she hopes also to offer grooming services. She is set to open on June 18th.
- Tangerine Wine is in the process of expanding their business to include the space next to it. They are also in the process of expanding the liquor license to cover both the Tangerine Wine and the other side. The side of Tangerine Wine that the Village is familiar with, will become a seating area for wine tasting. They will be expanding the product selections. They will not be serving alcohol, but you will be able to go in and do tastings.

Discussion:

- ❖ Is the pet boutique a new startup or are they an established business?
 - She is a startup, but she is very prepared. We reviewed her entire business plan.
- ❖ Do groomers have to be licensed? And what is her experience with that?
 - She will not be a groomer, but after the renovations are complete this is something she will offer in the back of the business.

E. Planning Commission Report

Chairman Peter Halick

- The Planning Commission continued to review the Master Plan, which is a requirement of the Enabling Act It summarizes the site plans that we have looked at, ordinances that we have added or amended.
- Discussed the sign ordinance and hope to resolve that at the next meeting.
- The Planning Commission continues to review our land inventory analysis, the village owned properties and possible uses for those pathways.

X. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Proposed Budget, Fiscal Year 2022-2023, beginning July 1, 2022

Public Hearing was opened by President Bill Lamott at 7:46 PM.

Public Comments:

David Sahli, 26172 Meadow Drive

- Last year the DEI requested \$3,000.00 be set aside for it, so he is requesting the same amount would reserve for the DEI. They are looking into training for the committee.

Public Hearing was closed by President Bill Lamott at 7:49 PM.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider Appointment to Construction Board of Appeals

Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Erlich to approve the appointment of Albert Ludwig to the Construction Board of Appeals.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Seltzer and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen and Saenz

Motion carried.

B. Consider Appointment to Birmingham Area Cable Board

Public Comment:

David Sahli, 26172 Meadow Drive

❖ One of the big efforts the DEI worked on is the appointment process. It is currently with the counselor, one of the subcommittees of the council. While the DEI went through the formality of setting up the process, it is disheartening that only one person applied for each opening. New people need to be encouraged to get involved in leadership.

Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Hanke to approve the appointment of Richard David to the Birmingham Area Cable Board.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Seltzer and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen and Saenz

Motion carried.

C. Consider Planning Commission Annual Report for 2021

Chairman Peter Halick

It is a summary of the site plans. We reviewed the financial offices that will be going in at 13 Mile and Telegraph. The two reviews of the dentist office and then the ordinances that we have worked on gardening closures and the sign ordinance update. Then it also gives a summary of the Zoning Board of Appeals to each case they have reviewed.

D. Consider Demolition Application of 30300 Woodside Drive

Adam Randle Giannini with the Adams Group Demolition on behalf the homeowners, Mr. and Mrs. Jordan, they own the house at 30300 Woodside Drive. Their application for demolition was approved by the Historic District Commission.

Discussion:

John Simon, 30200 Kincardine

- ❖ He reviewed the plan and questioned what the second site plan is for.
 - The second site plan is a draft plan.

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Hanke to approve demolition application of 30300 Woodside Drive.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Seltzer and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen and Saenz

Motion carried.

E. Consider Change Order to Carol Street Drain Sewer Investigation

Roger Fraser, Village Administrator

The scope of the work has changed. Since we have started work here, and we had the opportunity to talk to him, we spent some time looking at the various places for example, its crossovers, where ditches from one side of the road, our water has moved to the opposite side based on changes in contours and other things. And most of those haven't been touched in some time, and what this does is lay out an agenda for getting as many of those done as we can.

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Erlich to approve the change order to the Carol Street Drain Sewer Investigation.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Seltzer and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen and Saenz

Motion carried.

F. Consider Adoption of the Proposed Budget, Fiscal Year 2022-2023, beginning July 1, 2022

G. Consider Adoption of Millage Rates for Fiscal Year 2022-2023, beginning July 1, 2022

Roger Fraser, Village Administrator

Recommended postponed Action Item F & G until the June 13th Village Council meeting to allow time for a budget workshop.

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Hanke to approve to postpone the Proposed Budget, Fiscal Year 2022-2023, and Millage Rates for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 until the June 13th Village Council Meeting.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Seltzer and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen and Saenz

Motion carried.

H. Consider Zoning Ordinance Amendments Including Parking Spaces Layout

Roger Fraser, Village Administrator

It was requested that percentage of compact parking to be allowed be added to the Parking Spaces Layout Ordinance. McKenna offered two recommendations. The first was to remove compact car parking option. The second recommendation was to limit 10% of total spaces be compact car parking.

It was moved by Goldberg, seconded by Seltzer to amend the ordinance, and approved the second reading to amend changes to Section 1262.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Seltzer and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen and Saenz

Motion carried.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Erlich to adjourn.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Seltzer and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hansen and Saenz

Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

William Lamott, President

Dana Hughes, Village Clerk