

**VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, October 10, 2022, 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 7:10 P.M.

**II. ROLL CALL**

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

Absent: Ed Saenz

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**

Lamott asked to add the following item G) Schedule CDBG Public Hearing on November 14<sup>th</sup>.

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

**AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Seltzer and Lamott**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: Saenz**

**Motion carried**

**IV. MINUTES**

**A. Regular Meeting of September 12, 2022**

Erlich stated there was one typo, page (10) change gemstone to “the JenStan”.

**Motion by Saenz Seltzer, seconded by Seltzer Erlich to adopt the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of ~~August 8~~, September 12, 2022, with corrections.**

**AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Seltzer and Lamott**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: Saenz**

**Motion carried**

**V. PUBLIC REQUESTS AND COMMENTS**

**Public Comments were opened by President Bill Lamott at 7:13 PM. Lamott added that Village Council will limit Public Comments to three minutes. With the Village Clerk as timekeeper.**

Sasha Croswell, 26197 Meadow

- She moved in after the sidewalks were installed. Her concern is the fact she has lost all her brush and now she has lost her privacy. It is now a safety issue because she has two small children, who are drawn to the intersection. Before the sidewalk installation they could not see the intersection. The fence that was discussed for her property does not add any safety. She would like pine trees planted.

Seltzer asked if she knew about the sidewalk project. The homeowner stated that she did know and supported the sidewalk project, but she did not know she would lose so much of her vegetation in the process.

Hanke asked if she has spoken to the Village Administrator about this. She stated that she had spoken to Trustee Hansen and the Village Administrator in the beginning.

Erlich stated that the Council talked about trees, not about brush and rocks. There was supposed to be trees, the idea was to give them a barrier.

Hansen stated that the Croswell's home has been the most dramatically affected by the sidewalk project. They have been working out an arrangement to help the family. A quote of \$1,000 per six to eight feet pine trees was currently received.

Hansen also stated that over the last year and a half, the conversations were about the safety of the kids. There was talk about putting wire in the back of the fence, grass, and some fast-growing shrubs with a couple of trees on the side. But putting a visual barrier or crop of pine trees was not part of the conversation at that time. Hansen recognize that things are changing.

Hansen suggests that Mrs. Croswell, the Village Administrator, and herself get together the next day to go over the options for her property.

Croswell was fine with Hansen's suggestion. But she felt she was not being heard during the process and that better communication is needed.

Amy Benezra, 32960 Franklin Court

- She was concerned about a fix done to Franklin Court Road about five years ago. She has called multiple times along with her neighbors across the street and down the street. Whatever was done to the road is destroying her property. She has sent video, she has called and complained. They have tried to fix it themselves. When the rain comes down, it goes into her property and her property now has divots in her yard. It has brought her property value down.

Lamott stated that he and Fraser have had discussions with the County regarding stormwater issues. Fraser added that the County has not found a solution to the problem. They have tried putting asphalt down to try channel the runoff. It was hoped it would create a slope to keep the dirt from washing

into the hole right at the end of the flow. He also stated that later in the meeting the Council will be talking about how to improve the water flow.

Lamott believes that the solution being presented for Evelyn Court could work for Franklin Court as well.

Sheryl Sparks, 26266 Evelyn Court

- When she moved in, there was a hill on Franklin and Evelyn Court that goes from Franklin all the way up the hill to a cul-de-sac and the road worked perfectly before the road construction went through. The hill was high, and the water flowed on both sides down and there was never a problem. After the road construction, the hill was leveled. Also, the sloping at the top, went from the little round cul-de-sac to a triangle and it is flat. If you all drive by Evelyn Court, her neighbor has a huge rut right in front of his house. Anybody walking on that street, that trips could be seriously injured. The problem is the culvert that goes under Evelyn Court that just fills right up. She is asking for help, just regrade the road the way it was before and put it back, so the residents don't have to deal with this anymore.

Mark Ziessow, 32695 Redfern

- He has tried to call the County about the street entrances along 14 Mile Road for all the brush. The County has not responded back to him. His question is “where can the Village go with this?”

Kim Greidanus Greidanus

- She was here to address the resident of the Village of Franklin. Proposal Three is touted as my body, my choice. She is here to talk about parents and protecting their children. If this bill passes, it is going to be added to our Constitution. It would allow children to have reproductive rights. Under this bill, a child can get puberty blockers or they can get sterilization. Parents will not have a right to know about this. A child at age 14 can get an abortion under this proposal and no parental consent will be needed.

Randy McElroy, 30575 Woodside Drive

- He has been involved in Franklin politics for 25 years. He has served on council and on every committee and usually multiple committees the whole time. He would like to state the accusations that Mr. Lamott is not fit to be the President by two young ladies were wrong. He has served with him on council and on a lot of other things. Lamott is a tremendous leader, and he is a statesman. He is trying to solve problems and that is hard when he is outnumbered five to two. He also stated to the young lady whose property was trashed, it wasn't one of the old-timers; it had to be one of the new hot heads.

Angelina Sulaka, 26172 Meadow Drive

- She stated she is probably one of those ladies the previous speaker was referring too. She stated that two days after she spoke at the last Council meeting her front lawn was vandalized again. She never made that information public; she simply reported it to the police. There is a pending criminal case, with one of Bill Lamott and Kathy Erlich's Erlich's, old running mate, for vandalism of her property. That case will probably resolve itself in the next two to three weeks. She is not sure a statesman should be running with these kinds of criminals. The reason he created a PAC to run the campaigns on Nena Downing and Fred Gallasch is because he is outnumbered. All the signs you see for Nena and Fred were paid for by Responsible Franklin

which is Lamott's ~~paet~~ PAC. That way he can turn the Council from five to two to four to three in his favor.

- The latest ~~paet~~ PAC piece that came out had the service marks of the fire station, the service marks of the police station and the picture of Benjamin Franklin. The Franklin emblem is a symbol of the community. And it is a symbol of this town. And the previous ~~paet~~ PAC piece that was sent out, he used the public title that he had, which doesn't belong to him. It belongs to the public trust, the village president. Now this ~~paet~~ PAC comes out, he uses the Franklin emblem and the service marks of our first responders.

Hanke asked if this was a mailing with the Franklin Police and Fire emblem on it. Seltzer stated that the police and the fire departments would never endorse candidates. Seltzer asked the Village Attorney if there was a violation here. The Village Attorney stated he would have to review it.

#### David Sahli, 26172 Meadow Drive

- He is a regulatory compliance attorney that has committed much of his life to public service, including starting a nonprofit serving in America and serving at every level of government. He is running for the Franklin village trustee. Because fresh ideas and a tireless work ethic are necessary for constant betterment for the village. We should all love the three pillars of the community, the community engagement, and service, and it all starts with service. Throughout his campaign, he has walked the village knocking doors, introducing himself and asking villagers what they would like to see or not see in the village. Without these important conversations, leadership will default to focusing on their priorities and the priorities of their friends. There is no platform or no forum for villagers to raise new ideas or concerns. We regulate the opinions and ideas of villagers to two minutes or three minutes tonight, once a month, and you must attend in person. For out of fear, we might be criticized or asked to be self-reflective. We should be constantly exploring how to increase villager participation, such as live streaming, or using digital platforms, the opportunity for villagers to contribute to their community, and the decisions that impact their lives will always outweigh any potential criticism of me, the office he serves, or the government. That is why once he is elected, he will make sure that residents are given a regular platform to speak up and be heard and most importantly, be respected, like how he is currently hosting coffee and conversations every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at Deja Vu, because at the end of the day, the government should serve at the mercy of its community. The community should not serve at the mercy of its government.

**Public Comments were closed by President Bill Lamott at 7:44 PM.**

## **VI. 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 Village had some larceny from autos, catalytic converter thefts that had happened at the Franklin Grill, plus one other that happened at the Huda School.

- He mentioned a positive outcome of the Village's new pole cameras that were installed downtown. Because of this, the police were able to identify suspects in both of those crimes. The quality was good enough to capture the license plate and the vehicle and suspect descriptions.
- Roberts informed the Council of an unfortunate drive-by shooting at Steve's Deli at Maple and Telegraph. Officer Hall treated the victim who was shot and stop the bleeding before the fire department could get there. He did a great job.

**Discussion:**

- ❖ Hanke asked Roberts how long has the department had the cameras?
  - Roberts stated around six months. He then stated the department has asked the contractor to adjust the cameras to give them a better angle. He mentioned the only time the camera footage is reviewed is if there is a reported crime.

**B. Fire Report**

**Tony Averbuch, Fire Chief**

- Tony Averbuch, Fire Chief reviewed with Village Council the submitted report.
- He stated that the fire department run volume remains consistently higher than in the past.

**C. Treasurer Report**

No Treasurer's Report

**VII. SUBMISSION OF CURRENT BILLS**

<b>Totals: 10-9-2022</b>	
<b>CATEGORY</b>	<b>SUB TOTALS</b>
General	\$ 134,083.06
Major Streets	\$ 28,438.03
Local Streets	\$ 25,883.25
Police	\$ 67,454.88
Garbage and Rubbish	\$ 14,983.43
Building Dept.	\$ 13,588.30
Library	\$ -
Street Project	\$ 196.25
Road Millage	\$ -
Pressure Sewer	\$ -
Tax Collection	\$ -
Wastewater	\$ 4,465.95
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 289,093.15</b>

**Discussion:**

- ❖ Erlich asked what is a bond refund?
  - Fraser explained that it is a bond that a contractor pays to support the quality of their work and once the work is completed and has been inspected. They get their bond back.

- ❖ Lamott asked Fraser to explain the \$56,000 to Johnson Landscaping. It states it is for repairs and the Streetscape.
  - Fraser explained it was for all the work at the corner of 13 Mile and Franklin Road. Also, the work on Woodlore where the rocks are that WRC placed. The Village asked Tracy from Johnson Landscaping to make that area look more appealing.

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

**AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Seltzer and Lamott**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: Saenz**

**Motion carried**

## **VIII. SPECIAL REPORTS**

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

Lamott wanted to remind the residents that the deer survey will continue through the end of the month and that it is accessible through the weekly e-newsletter. Also, there are copies available at the Village Hall.

### **B. Council Report**

- Goldberg mentioned the light pole on the west side of the street at the intersection of Wellington and Franklin has been out.
- Hansen announced the passing of Amy Sullivan, she was the Village Administrator between 2010 and 2013. She passed on October 4<sup>th</sup> of pancreatic cancer. She was a good Administrator and helped the Village to work closely with HRC.
- Erlich wanted to clear the record. She felt the need to speak out against the lies that continue to be said. First, she never made any child cry. Her reaction was to laugh at the ridiculousness of this claim. She states her only interaction with anyone in that resident's family was two years ago and that was with her mother. Erlich made a concerted effort to be nice. She is also appalled that Trustee Seltzer is persistently bad-mouthing villagers who he believes caused the sidewalk lawsuit and wasted taxpayer money. She believes it was the Council at the time who wrongly disrespected the Charter and illegally began the creation of sidewalks. The responsibility for that loss of money falls on those who voted for it, specifically, Pam Hansen who was then president. Furthermore, she demands Trustee Seltzer stop placing false blame on the Village's previous clerk, Eileen Pulker. Lastly, she is disturbed by all the allegations against President Lamott made by a candidate running for Trustee and his wife that he manipulated staff members. These attempts were made to make him look bad. They were purely for political game.
- Seltzer stated he immediately retracted his negative comment about the clerk, and he apologized to her personally. However, he is not apologizing for the other things he said because they were factual. Everybody knows what has happened in this community over the

course of the past two years, about the sidewalks. The Council accepted the advice of counsel, that advice was wrong. There was nothing wrong with the Council going forward with a plan the previous legal authorities told them was relevant and right. Once Council found out that it was a problem, it took it to the voters and the voters took on the responsibility of making the decision. The criticism of President Lamont is justified because he continues to use his pulpit. Tonight, it was talked about a mailing and a postcard that had gone out showing endorsements from the police and fire department. The police and the fire department do not endorse. Endorsement by a pack that is run by President Lamott is inappropriate.

**Public Comment:**

- David Sahli, 26172 Meadow Drive

He asked, “When have I ever stated that Bill was manipulating officials?”

Erlich stated he made some comments suggesting that the Village Administrator did not put out an announcement about the Headlee Amendment and he made some questions about the Code Enforcement Officer.

Sahli stated he did not make those remarks. Then he asked Trustee Erlich to state when he said Bill was manipulating any official.

Erlich stated he talked about the Code Enforcement Officer and the signs, saying certain signs were not being allowed to be in certain situation.

Sahli stated that was a Village email and not a public conversation and not a public comment.

**C. Administrator Report**

Fraser stated that has sent written reports for the Council over the weekend.

**D. Planning Commission Report**

Pete Halick, Chairman

The Planning Commission had discussions on a possible dog park. The Commission looked at various locations. The vetting process is still ongoing, the Commission is checking to see if a dog park is viable and if it can work and if the people want it. The public hearing for the new lighting ordinance will be this month after the power outage delayed it by a month. The planner has written up an outline for a chicken ordinance that will allow the keeping of chickens in Franklin. It will be reviewed at our next meeting. The first review of the master plan is completed, with minor revisions, the next step is to do an overall review, and that should be completed soon.

Finally, the land inventory process the Commission has been working on to evaluate various possible uses of some of our Village owned properties. The Planning Commission favorably approved of the HRC pathway plan that came through maybe a year ago. A plan to connect neighborhoods through possible easements across properties to allow the connection of neighborhoods. That is being included in this land inventory process along with the JenStan Nature Preserve.

The easements the Commission reviewed are the Colony Hill, Irving, and Captain's Lane easement, the Rosemont Lane and the last one is the Haverford neighborhood. Some of the neighbors there indicated that they might be willing to work with the Village to connect Haverford to Susanne. Those are the possibilities that are included in the land inventory analysis.

**Discussion:**

- ❖ There was a question regarding the cellular study.
  - Lamott stated that the Village has completed a drive through analysis and that the data had been presented. It showed there are six distributed antenna systems, and the service is better the closer you are to the antenna. The Village is in discussions with AT&T and Verizon.

**E. Main Street Franklin Report**

George Venettis

Here is a summary about the Economic Vitality Report that was ran for the Village. The whole purpose of this is to look at the data to know where Franklin is, where is the business coming from, to sort through the socio-economic data, the demographics, and spending habits. Then we can start building a strategy on how we want to move forward for the businesses here in Franklin. An economic vitality report is a snapshot.

**Public Comments:**

John Simon

Asked if is it appropriate for Main Street to endorse political candidates?

- Venettis stated No but he is not qualified to answer that question.

Simon then stated that Trustee Seltzer goes into various businesses and places signs out in front, and then goes into the store and says, I'm from Main Street, I put signs on your properties.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Consider Civic Event Permit Application for “Franklinstein Frenzy” on October 22, 2022.**

**Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Erlich to approve the Civic Event Permit Application for the “Franklinstein Frenzy” on October 22, 2022.**

**AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Seltzer and Lamott**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: Saenz**

**Motion carried**

- B. Consider Resolution for Michigan Library Appreciation Month October 2022Week.**

**Michigan Library Appreciation Month October 2022 Resolution**



**Whereas**, the Michigan Library Association (MLA) annually designates the month of October as a statewide observance to celebrate the contributions of Michigan's public school, academic, tribal, cooperative and special libraries;

**Whereas**, the Franklin's Library continues to evolve and expand their services and now offers more programs, events, services, resources, and collections than ever to serve and support our community;

**Whereas**, the Franklin library now offers patrons much more to borrow than books, including games, movies, music and more – serving as an indispensable resource for children, teens, adults and seniors;

**Whereas**, the Franklin library provides free access of information to our residents allowing them to explore and discover a vast world of information and entertainment;

**Whereas**, the Franklin library provides materials and programs that are as diverse as the people they serve, while protecting patron's privacy and supporting their right to read;

**Whereas**, the Franklin library serves as the primary point of access for people without internet or access to computers, enabling everyone to connect to the people and ideas of the world;

**Whereas**, the Franklin library is an indispensable educational and cultural institution offering residents a place to gather, socialize, study and learn;

**Whereas**, hundreds of libraries and millions of library supporters across Michigan are celebrating Michigan Library Appreciation Month this October; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved** that the Franklin Village Council proclaim October 2022 as Michigan Library Appreciation Month. During this time, we encourage all residents to visit their library in person and connect to the numerous services, resources, and collections their library now provides.

**It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Erlich to approve the following resolution for the Michigan Library Appreciation Month October 2022.**

**AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Seltzer and Lamott**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: Saenz**

**Motion carried**

- C. Consider Authorizing and directing the Village Administrator and HRC to negotiate "As-Needed Contracts for Construction Services" with D'Angelo Brothers, Inc.**

Ed Zmich, HRC

HRC said the as needed contracts for construction services should be awarded to all three contractors that we receive bids from. Then the next two items are the actual contracts individual construction contracts. There is D'Angelo Brothers, Superior Excavating, and Inliner. That is a summary of Item C. One of the main items of interest is drainage in the Village. The Village has done all its roads a

few years ago, drainage issues continue to be an issue. Over the past several months, HRC has gone out and taken topography of several areas that were told by council and village staff, where they were having some issues with drainage. HRC has put some sample plans together, which is a mix of fixes. Some of the plans would include removal, replacement of culverts, roadway culverts, some would be just doing ditch clean out shrub removal, and then even lining some sewers is another option and there is a trenches option. So RFQ was sent out on BidNet and MITN. We received three different bidders. All are contractors we've worked with. These contractors also have standing as needed construction service contracts with many other communities, including Logan County, and Daniel Brothers. What we're trying to accomplish by putting this RFQ out and having the three contracts approved, awarded to these three contractors is that when the Village has an individual project, the Village will ask those three contractors to provide an actual price for the work based on the sample plans. And when they provide those quotes, then we then can enter an individual contract with one of those three contractors by having three separate awards contractors approved. If one of the guys is or two of the guys are too busy, you have another option to go to. And all three of these are state pre-qualified. Again, these are all contractors we worked with that have done great work around Metro Detroit.

#### **Discussion:**

- ❖ Hanke asked about what budget line item will the work Inliner come from? And what are the expectation when they are done?
  - First, it is the money the Village received from the State for stormwater. Well, the culverts that we have thus far identified are culverts that have rusted out, or have issues with them being collapsed, by removing replacing that you're going to basically be able to convey the flow the way it should have ended a long time ago.
- ❖ Fraser talked about how on Franklin Court and Evelyn Court water is coming off 14 Mile Road and is flowing down Franklin Court. There are no ditches on either side of Franklin Court. As you go down that area, it is creating trenches in the residents' yards. This plan would have ditches reestablished along the edge of Franklin Court. The intent is to create an organized flow.
- ❖ Goldberg voiced his concern if this agreement would lock the Village into an exclusivity arrangement.
  - Gojcaj replied he would like to review the contracts, but typically it should not lock the Village into an exclusivity arrangement.

#### **Public Comments:**

##### Sheryl Sparks

- It is more than just the retentions and the drainage issues, it is the grading of the road that was flattened. The way it's graded now is it slants toward one side of the street. So, all that water is going into one side. So even if you put in drains, if the center is still slanted toward one side, that is where the water is going to go. She wishes that the people who are coming up with these plans would be here so we can show them and explain to them what is not working.

##### David Sahli

- Being familiar with the procurement process, what was the process used to pick the three contractors? Was it based on general best value?

Zmich responded it was based on a quality-based selection. A lot of parameters were outlined in the specifications in the bid

**Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Erlich to approve authorizing and directing the Village Administrator and HRC to negotiate “As-Needed Contracts for Construction Services with D’Angelo Brothers, Inc., Inliner Solutions, LLC, and Superior Excavating, Inc.**

**AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Seltzer and Lamott**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: Saenz**

**Motion carried**

**D. Consider Authorizing an Award of Contract to Inliner Solutions, LLC of Romulus, MI**

Bill Lamott

Stated the next item is to authorize a contract with Inliner Solutions. It is a \$75,000 contract to address the Carol Street drain and some Stonegate Drive drain issues.

**Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Hansen to approve authorizing a Contract to Inliner Solutions, LLC.**

**AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Seltzer and Lamott**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: Saenz**

**Motion carried**

**E. Consider Authorizing an Award of Contract to D’Angelo Brothers, Inc of Livonia, MI.**

Bill Lamott

The D'Angelo Brother contract addresses, the ditches, and culverts in several different places in the Village for \$67,350 plus a \$5,000 contingency.

**Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Erlich to approve authorizing an Contract to D’Angelo Brothers, Inc.**

**AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Seltzer and Lamott**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: Saenz**

**Motion carried**

**F. Consider Authorizing HRC to use PASER Funds from SEMCOG to Evaluate Condition of Pavement.**

Ed Zmich, HRC

Every three years, every community is supposed to rate their roads according to the PASER Rating System, which is what HRC did before your comprehensive real program back in 2015. It rates the roads on the surface only, it doesn't consider how old the road is or what is underneath, what type of road is major, and how much traffic it gets. You are rating the pavement surface only. Every three

years, every community is supposed to update their roads, ratings, and SEMCOG offers reimbursement for such work if it is done every three years. Everything that HRC would do out there would be reimbursed to the village. The Village's budget was \$2,900 that HRC came up with based on the mileage and having two people out driving the roads. All of that would be covered by SEMCOG. Everything must be done, rated and the bill submitted to SEMCOG by next September. We would wait till the spring to rate the roads, then we will get the report together and the bill in order. Then Roger would submit it to SEMCOG for the reimbursement. Now about all the stormwater drainage issues. What HRC is trying to do is to save the Village some money by having a third member in the car that is there just to look for drainage issues because we are going on every street in the Village. So, this is an early opportunity to look to see if there are any apparent obvious drainage issues. They would note that in their own map, so we're combining the efforts and we're saving money on the stormwater side.

**Motion by Seltzer, seconded by Hanke to approve authorizing HRC to use PASER Funds from SEMCOG to Evaluate the Conditions of Franklin's Roads Pavement.**

**AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Seltzer and Lamott**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: Saenz**

**Motion carried**

**G. Consider setting November 14<sup>th</sup> as the date for the CDBG Public Hearing.**

**Motion by Goldberg, seconded by Erlich to approve scheduling November 14<sup>th</sup> as the date for the CDBG Public Hearing.**

**AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Seltzer and Lamott**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: Saenz**

**Motion carried**

**Comments from Trustee Seltzer:**

He is out representing Main Street and is a board member of Main Street, and the liaison to this Council for Main Street. He makes no apology for supporting Main Street. He is sorry if it offends someone that the signs that seem to be ever present in the downtown area are all supportive of three candidates who are pro-business and pro-Main Street. We would never ask any of our hard-working retailers to endanger their business by taking a political stand on either side. But for them to be bullied by one or two people who seem to be offended by signs in front of their stores, it is clear what that is all about. So bring all the Main Street business owners in here and let them opine as to whether Main Street has been effective and successful for their businesses, how they value that and they value the support they have from most of us on council, and not the people who denigrate Main Street and suggest it is an overspend and want to make changes in Council that will reverse the progress made here.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

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

**AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Seltzer and Lamott**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: Saenz**

**Motion carried**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

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William Lamott, President

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Dana Hughes, Village Clerk