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**REGULAR TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES
JULY 13, 2021**

A Regular Meeting of the Frenchtown Charter Township Board was held on July 13, 2021 at 3:00 PM at the Township Hall, 2744 Vivian Road, Monroe, Michigan.

PRESENT:	TRUSTEE – Matt Rimel
SUPERVISOR – Al VanWashenova	TRUSTEE – Chris Collins
CLERK – Kyle Bryant – EXCUSED - listened via ZOOM	TRUSTEE – Christiaan Carlton
TREASURER – Julie Ellison - EXCUSED	TRUSTEE – Gary Klemz
TWP ATTORNEY – Kerry Bondy	

Deputy Clerk, Jessica Burt; Fire Chief, Wendy Stevens; Township Engineer, Mark Mathe; Recreation Director, Phil Coyle; Building Official, Joe Lehmann; 7 Fire Department employees and 4 persons were in attendance.

Supervisor VanWashenova declared there was quorum at 3:00 PM.

Supervisor VanWashenova asked for a moment of silence for health of our Treasurer’s family member.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: Add the following agenda items: 9a, Demolition of 5769 Nelson; 9b, Tree removal of 5769 Nelson and 12a, Resolution adopting zoning ordinance amendment establishing a moratorium on large scale solar farm or array applications.

MOTION #21.208 – AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion made by Mr. Collins; seconded by Mr. Rimel to approve the July 13, 2021 as amended. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 5-0.

MOTION #21.209 – APPROVAL OF JULY 13, 2021 CONSENT AGENDA: Motion made by Mr. Carlton; seconded by Mr. Rimel to approve the consent agenda as presented. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. June 22, 2021 – Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- b. June 30, 2021 – Special Board Meeting Minutes
- c. Invoices Paid between June 23, 2021 to July 9, 2021
- d. Arcade License – Family & Friends Funland

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MOTION #21.210 – DISCUSSION – FRENCHTOWN BUSINESS PARK LOT 7 – STEVE HUDKINS: Motion made by Mr. Collins; seconded by Mr. Carlton to table this item to the July 20th, 2021 meeting for discussion with action expected on the matter or before the July 27, 2021 meeting. A roll call vote was taken. Mr.

Rimel-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

MOTION#21.211 – DISCUSSION – BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY LISTING AGREEMENT &

EXTENSION: Motion made by Mr. Klemz; seconded by Mr. Rimel to authorize the Township Supervisor to sign a one-year extension on the exclusive listing contract with Berkshire Hathaway for the vacant lots in the Frenchtown Business Park as proposed. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

MOTION #21.212 – DEMOLITION OF HOUSE & SHED AT 5769 NELSON: Motion made by Mr. Collins; seconded by Mr. Rimel to approve contracting with low bidder Lyle Demolition as proposed for the demolition of the structures at 5769 Nelson Drive at a cost not to exceed \$17,400.00. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

MOTION #21.213 – REMOVAL OF 2 TREES AT 5769 NELSON: Motion made by Mr. Klemz; seconded by Mr. Collins to approve contracting with low bidder Lyle Demolition to remove 2 trees at 5769 Nelson Drive at a cost not to exceed \$1,200.00. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. VanWashenova-Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

MOTION #21.214 – REQUEST TO CREATE A FIRE RECRUITING VIDEO FOR HIRING: Motion made by Mr. Rimel; seconded by Mr. Carlton to table this item until the new HR Generalist can review and provide a recommendation to the Board and to bring this item back to the first meeting in August. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 5-0.

MOTION #21.215 – DISCUSSION – ASSESSING PROPOSALS: Motion made by Mr. Rimel; seconded by Mr. Carlton to table this item. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 5-0.

DISCUSSION – COVID 19 CHANGES: The Board discussed this item.

MOTION #21.216 – RESOLUTION HOLDING FIRST READING ON ADOPTION OF INTERIM ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT ESTABLISHING A MORATORIUM ON LARGE SCALE

SOLAR FARM OR ARRAY APPLICATIONS: Motion made by Mr. Collins; seconded by Mr. Carlton to adopt the Resolution Adopting Zoning Ordinance Amendment Establishing a Moratorium on Large Scale Solar Farm or Array Applications and to hold the first reading of the proposed interim Zoning Ordinance Amendment with the change of the time period to 180 days. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. VanWashenova-Yes; Mr. Klemz-Yes; Mr. Collins-Yes; Mr. Rimel-Yes; Mr. Carlton-Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MOTION #21.217– ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Mr. Carlton seconded by Mr. Klemz to adjourn the July 13, 2021 Regular Board Meeting at 4:37 PM. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried 5-0.

Al VanWashenova, Township Supervisor

Kyle Bryant, Township Clerk