

The Fremont Town Board held their Regular Town Board Meeting on July 9, 2024 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall.

Supervisor Emily Murray called the Meeting to order at 7 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance and Council Member Mary Soukup gave the Invocation.

Present: Town Board: Supervisor Emily Murray, Council Member Mary Soukup, Council Member Cindy Smith and Council Member Seth Hilton.

Absent: Council Member Dean Kiefer

Other Public Officials Present: Domenica Burns, ZBA.

There were 12 people that attended the meeting

Reports of Public Officials were read and are on file: Highway Superintendent Tom Flansburg, Justice Madeleine Seaman, Assessor Holley Smalt, Chuck Cagle, Code Enforcement Officer, Debra Matthews, Dog Control Officer.

Superintendent Flansburg stated that they were grading roads and mowing. Supervisor Murray asked him about the status of fixing the flag pole and he said it would cost \$165 to rent a lift from Pinnacle. Supervisor Murray told him that she would talk with him after the meeting so that maybe a couple of projects could be done at the same time.

ZBA has nothing at this time.

Old Business:

Resolution #62 Approve the Minutes for June 11, 2024 Town Board Meeting

Motion by Council Member Hilton seconded by Council Member Soukup Resolution #62 was adopted: Resolved to approve the Minutes for June 11, 2024 Town Board Meeting. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Soukup aye, Smith aye, Murray abstain. 3 Aye 0 Nay 1 Abstain.

Resolution #63 Approve the Minutes for June 26, 2024 Special Town Board Meeting

Motion by Council Member Hilton seconded by Council Member Soukup Resolution #63 was adopted: Resolved to approve the Minutes for June 26, 2024 Special Town Board Meeting. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Soukup aye, Hilton aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

New Business:

A discussion began regarding the tabled insurance from NYMIR from last month. It was decided by the Town Board that they would go with NYMIR Insurance.

Resolution #64 Approve the Insurance Coverage of \$25,129.69 with NYMIR for 2024-25

Motion by Council Member Smith seconded by Council Member Soukup Resolution #64 was adopted. Resolved to approve the Insurance Coverage with NYMIR for \$25,129.69. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Soukup aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Supervisor Murray asked about contracting with Dave's Pressure Washing to clean the Town Hall Building.

Resolution #65 Approve Contracting with Dave's Pressure Washing to Clean the Town Hall & Windows \$550

Motion by Council Member Hilton seconded by Council Member Smith Resolution #65 was adopted. Resolved to approve Contracting with Dave's Pressure Washing to clean the Town Hall & Windows \$550. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Soukup aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

A discussion began regarding the Handicap Ramp. Chuck Cagle, the Code Enforcement Officer looked at it and said it needed to be replaced. Supervisor Murray will contact some vendors to get some quotes on replacing it.

The materials that were approved for shredding was processed at the Hornell Landfill on June 15, 2024.

The Assessor will be out of the office from June 19 – September 25, 2024 – she will be available by appointment.

A discussion started regarding the Baron Wind/Highway repair money. The money was received on Friday June 28, 2024. Supervisor Murray asked Superintendent Flansburg if he planned on doing any roads with this money and he replied no, not this year. He did say he wanted to replace the 2016 Dodge and the plow. Supervisor Murray told him he needed to get an updated quote for the Board to see. She again asked about any plan for the roads and he responded he not thinking about that right now.

Supervisor Murray stated that she is playing email tag with the Wendel Companies. This is the Company that would come to Fremont to do training with the Planning Board/ZBA and the Town Board Members. She will continue to try to reach them and get a cost.

A lengthy discussion began with Jason Dagger, RWE going over the NYS Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment's order. He also talked about the bonding of the roads that Baron Wind wants to use in Phase II. In the end Supervisor Murray requested a clearer map of the turbine haul routes to be emailed to the Town Board before they approve the bonding. Mr. Dagger also stated that the well testing letters have been sent out and he has about 7 respondents that want their wells tested. Molly Clymo stated that they did not want any large trucks going down Jones Road. It is not wide enough to bring turbines over and they fly over this road. She wants a tonnage sign on this road.

Resolution #66 Approve Payment of the Bills \$200,547.87 on Abstract #7

Motion by Council Member Smith seconded by Council Member Hilton Resolution #66 was adopted. Resolved to approve to pay the Bills, General Fund \$70,688.15 and Highway \$129,859.72 totaling \$200,547.87. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Hilton aye, Smith aye, Soukup aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Public Comments?

Tom Flansburg asked if the Town hired Ben Wiesnewski and Supervisor Murray stated he was hired to look over the conditions and that he should still call Seth Pullen the town attorney.

Linda Hendee asked about the paving of Lonsberry Road if it was going to stop at the seasonal sign and Superintendent Flansburg responded that that was as far as they were going. She was concerned about the speed of the cars.

Bob Wagner asked questions to Mr. Dagger about the windmills and the well testing.

Supervisor Murray motioned to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:30PM.

Susan M. Peck
Fremont Town Clerk