

The Fremont Town Board held a Public Hearing regarding the Amendment to Local Law 1 of 2005, Land Use Agreement, Section 4.7.2 and 4.7.3 regarding fee schedule. Moving forward the fee schedule will be determined by a Resolution by the Town Board.

Present: Town Board: Supervisor Emily Murray, Council Member Cynthia Smith, Council Member Mary Soukup and Council Member Dean Kiefer

Absent: Town Board: Council Member Hilton

Council Member Kiefer asked what the salary was of the previous Code Enforcement Officer? Supervisor Murray replied that it was \$5,000 per year. He then asked what the current Code Enforcement Officer's salary was and she replied \$5,000 with mileage.

There were no comments so Supervisor Murray ended the meeting at 6:35pm with all in favor.

The Fremont Town Board held its Regular Town Board Meeting at the Town Hall on December 10, 2024 at 7:00pm.

Present: Town Board: Supervisor Emily Murray, Council Member Cynthia Smith, Council Member Mary Soukup and Council Member Dean Kiefer. Council Member Hilton arrived late.

Other Public Officials: Domenica Burns, ZBA; Tom Flansburg, Highway Superintendent

Others Attendees Present: Seth and David Pullen, Town Attorneys, Jason Dagger, RWE Representative and Jessica Klami, Attorney for Young and Sommer for Baron Wind

There were 13 Attendees

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Murray asked if there were any changes to the November 12, 2024 minutes. There were two changes. The town clerk stated that resolution #103 did have Council Member Soukup's voting and under the Report section there was no paper copy available for the Highway Superintendent on file.

Resolution #107 Approve the Minutes from November 12, 2024

Motion by Council Member Kiefer seconded by Council Member Soukup Resolution #197 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the Minutes from November 12, 2024. Roll Call of Votes: Soukup aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain

Supervisor Murray read the submitted reports.

Reports of Public Officials were read and are on file: Justice Madeleine Seaman did not have one, Assessor Holley Smalt, Chuck Cagle, Code Enforcement Officer, Debra Matthews, Dog Control Officer. No paper report for Highway Department.

Highway Superintendent Flansburg gave his report that they have been plowing when it snows and do miscellaneous stuff around the shop.

Domenica Burns, ZBA stated that they will be having a meeting to go over a variance to a local property sometime next week.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #108 Approve the 2025 Dog Pound Contract with Town of Wayland

Motion by Council Member Kiefer seconded by Council Member Smith Resolution #108 was adopted: Resolved to approve the Dog Pound Contract with the Town of Wayland. Roll Call of Votes: Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Soukup aye, Murray aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

The Town Board reviewed the three quotes they received for insulating the downstairs, new doors with framing and window replacement. A contract is needed to meeting reporting guidelines for ARPA purposes. Council Member Kiefer wanted to cut back on the project. Supervisor Murray stated that it all needed to be done and we would have good results from doing this. The quotes were from CJE General Contracting, LLC for \$37,800.00; Wensel Construction for \$49,526.00 and Winant Construction, LLC for \$52,665.84. There is \$15,045.31 left in the ARPA funds to be used.

Resolution #109 Accept the Quote from CJE General Contracting for Town Hall Downstairs

Motion by Council Member Soukup seconded by Council Member Hilton Resolution #109 was adopted. Resolved to Accept the Quote from CJE General Contracting. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Hilton aye, Soukup aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

A short discussion began regarding the Amendment to Local Law #1 of 2005 Land Use Regulations. With the removal of the fee schedule of 4.7.2 and 4.7.3 going forward fees will be determined by a resolution by the Town Board.

Resolution #110 Approve Amendment to Local Law 1 of 2005 Land Use Regulations Regarding Fee Schedule

Motion by Supervisor Murray seconded by Council Member Kiefer Resolution #110 was adopted. Resolved to Approve the Amendment to Local Law #1 of 2005 Land Use Regulations for Fee Schedule. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Soukup aye, Smith aye, Kiefer nay, Murray aye. 4 Aye 1 Nay 0 Abstain.

A short discussion began regarding the 2025 Contract with Richardson, Puller & Buck. The per hour charge is \$200 for attorneys and \$110 for paralegals.

Resolution #111 Approve the 2025 Attorney Contract with Richardson, Pullen and Buck

Motion by Council Member Kiefer seconded by Council Member Smith Resolution #111 was adopted. Resolved to Approve the 2025 Attorney Contract with Richardson, Pullen and Buck. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Soukup aye, Kiefer aye, Hilton aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

A brief discussion began regarding the Highway Contract for 2025. It was suggested to use the 2024 Contract with an adjustment to the hourly rates until the policies that Attorney Pullen is working on are done. Supervisor Murray asked Shawn Smith if that was okay with him and he replied yes.

A short discussion began regarding the modifications needed to balance the budget.

GENERAL FUND

<i>Transfer From:</i>	AUB	Unexp. Balance	\$ 64,011.00
	A1990.4	Contingency	\$ 11,550.00
	A7510.4	Historian, Contr Expend	\$ 120.00
	A1410.1A	Deputy, Town Clerk	\$ 1,500.00
	A3620.4	Safety Inspector, Contr Expend	\$ 500.00
	A8810.4	Cemetery, Contr Expend	\$ 2,000.00
	A1620.4A	Building Utilities	\$ 1,900.00
	A5132.4	Garage, Contr Expend	\$ 4,000.00
	A5182.4	Garage Utilities	\$ 8,242.00
		TOTAL:	\$ 93,823.00
<i>Transfer To:</i>	A1110.1	Municipal Court, Pers Serv	\$ 2,500.00
	A1310.4	Steuben County Elections, Chargebacks	\$ 1,194.00
	A1620.2	Buildings, Equip & Cap.	\$ 59,077.00
	A1620.4	Buildings Contr.	\$ 4,600.00
	A1420.4	Law, Contr Expend	\$ 21,000.00
	A3620.1	Safety Inspections, Pers Serv	\$ 500.00
	A5132.2	Garage Equip & Cap Outlay	\$ 5,400.00
	A7510.1	Historian	\$ 120.00
	A9010.8	State Retirement System	\$ 1,932.00
		TOTAL:	\$ 93,823.00

HIGHWAY FUND

<i>Transfer From:</i>	DAUB	Unexp Balance	\$ 38,623.00
	DA3501	St Aid, Consolidated Highway	\$ 103,428.00
		TOTAL:	\$ 142,051.00
<i>Transfer To:</i>	DA5112.2	CHIPS Roads	\$ 103,428.00
	DA5130.2	Machinery, Equip. & Cap.	\$ 38,400.00
	DA9050.8	UI Empl Benefits	\$ 223.00
		TOTAL:	\$ 142,051.00

Resolution #112 Approve the Line Transfers from Baldwin's

Motion by Council Member Smioth seconded by Council Member Soukup Resolution #112 was adopted. Resolved to Approve the Line Transfers from Baldwin's to balance budget. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Hilton aye, Soukup aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

There will be no year-end meeting this year due to the Town Supervisor will be off for 6-8 weeks for medical reasons.

A long discussion began regarding the Road Use Agreement. It was decided that the Town Board would do a resolution to approve the Agreement upon a contingency condition that the final agreement on the language is approved by the following: the Town Attorney, Seth Pullen, Wendel and Tom Flansburg, the Highway Superintendent within 90 days. Once this is agreed upon then the Agreement can be signed by either the Town Supervisor, Emily Murray or the Deputy Town Supervisor, Cindy Smith. If the Agreement is not signed within the 90 days, then it goes back to the Town Board for a re-vote. Supervisor Murray asked to be updated weekly on the progress.

Resolution #113 Approve the Road Use Agreement upon a Contingency between Pullen, Wendel & Highway Superintendent Flansburg

Motion by Council Member Hilton seconded by Council Member Kiefer Resolution #113 was adopted. Resolved to

Approve the Road Use Agreement upon a Contingency between Pullen, Wendel and Highway Superintendent Flansburg. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Soukup nay, Smith nay, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 3 Aye 2 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #114 Approve to Pay the Bills on Abstract #12

Motion by Supervisor Murray seconded by Council Member Soukup Resolution #114 was adopted. Resolved to Approve payment of the Bills on Abstract #12 General Fund \$31,020.52 and Highway Fund \$19,969.85 Totaling \$50,990.37. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Soukup aye, Kiefer aye, Hilton abstains.

4 Aye 0 Nay 1 Abstain.

Resolution #115 Move to Executive Session with Town Clerk for Notes

Motion by Supervisor Murray seconded by Council Member Smith Resolution #115 was adopted. Resolved to Approve to move into Executive Session. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Hilton aye, Soukup aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #116 Approval to End Executive Session and Return to Regular Meeting

Motion by Council Member Hilton seconded by Council Member Smith Resolution #116 was adopted. Resolved to Approve the End of the Executive Session and Return to Regular Meeting. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Soukup aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Supervisor Murray motioned to end the meeting all were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15PM

Susan M. Peck
Fremont Town Clerk

