

December 8, 2020

Regular Town Board Meeting

7:00 PM

The Fremont Town Board held their Regular Town Board Meeting on December 8, 2020 at 7:00 PM under Covid-19 restrictions.

Supervisor Emily Murray called the Meeting to order at 7 PM. Councilman Burns gave the Invocatoin.

Present: Town Board: Supervisor Emily Murray, Councilman Cynthia Smith, Councilman Dean Kiefer, Councilman Carol Burns and Councilman Thomas Flansburg

Other Officials Present: Mary Ann McManus, Zoning Board of Appeals

Resolution #133 Approve the Minutes from the October 13, 2020 Public Hearing on Tax Cap Override

Motion by Councilman Burns seconded by Councilman Smith Resolution #133 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the Minutes from the October 13, 2020 Public Hearing on Tax Cap Override. Roll Call of Votes: Flansburg aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Burns aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #134 Approve the Minutes from the October 13, 2020 Public Hearing on the Preliminary Budget

Motion by Councilman Kiefer seconded by Councilman Burns Resolution #134 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the Minutes from the October 13, 2020 Public Hearing on the Preliminary Budget. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #135 Approve the Minutes from the October 13, 2020 Regular Town Board Meeting

Motion by Councilman Burns seconded by Councilman Smith Resolution #135 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the Minutes from the October 13, 2020 Regular Town Board Meeting. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Old Business:

A discussion began regarding the highway roof. After much discussion it was resolved to table the roof until next summer. A resolution was made to authorize the attorney to send a letter to the contractor's insurance company to discuss a settlement.

Resolution #136 Authorize the Town Attorney to send a Settlement Request Letter to contractor's Insurance Company

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #136 was adopted. It was resolved to authorize the Town attorney to send a settlement letter to the contractor's insurance company. Roll Call of Votes: Murray abstain, Smith aye, Burns abstain, Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye. 3 Aye 0 Nay 2 Abstain.

New Business:

Resolution #137 Approval to change Diesel Fuel Supplier from Griffith Oil to Valley Propane and Fuels

Motion by Councilman Kiefer seconded by Supervisor Murray Resolution #137 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the change of diesel fuel supplier from Griffith Oil to Valley Propane and Fuels. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #138 Approve the 2021 Fire Department Contract

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #138 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the 2021 fire department contract. Roll Call of Votes: Flansburg aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye, Burns aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #139 Approve the 2021 Ambulance Contract

Motion by Councilman Kiefer seconded by Councilman Flansburg Resolution #139 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the 2021 ambulance contract. Roll Call of Votes: Flansburg aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye, Burns aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #140 Approve the 2021 Dog Pound Contract

Motion by Councilman Burns seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #140 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the 2021 dog pound contract. Roll Call of Votes: Flansburg aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye, Burns aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #141 Approve the 2021 Quad County Land Use Permit for 1 year

Motion by Councilman Burns seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #141 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the 2021 quad county land use permit for 1 year. Roll Call of Votes: Flansburg nay, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray abstain, Burns aye. 3 Aye 1 Nay 1 Abstain.

A Zoom meeting with Justin Lotak from Baron Winds began. He updated where the Wind Company stood. The wind company will not put any windmills in Fremont in Phase II unless the Town Board votes to increase the height of the turbines from 500 to 650 feet. This meeting lasted about 15 minutes. A discussion began regarding the HCA and monies due to the town upon the start of construction in Phase I.

Resolution #142 Approval to Dispose of Six Chairs

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Smith Resolution #142 was adopted. It was resolved to dispose of six chairs. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

A resolution to eliminate two fax lines at the town (Town Clerk and Highway) was tabled for more information.

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Regular Town Board Meeting Continued

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Resolution #143 Support of Cornell Cooperative Extension was declined

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #143 was adopted. It was resolved to decline financial support of the Cornell Cooperative Extension. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Flansburg, aye, Smith aye, Murray abstain, Burns aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 1 Abstain.

Resolution #144 Approve the Traffic Diversion Program

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Smith Resolution #144 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the traffic diversion program. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Flansburg, aye, Smith aye, Murray aye, Burns aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #145 Approval to Schedule an End of the Year Meeting on December 29, 2020 at 7pm

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Smith Resolution #145 was adopted. It was resolved to approve to schedule an end of the year meeting on December 29, 2020 at 7pm. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #146 Appoint Donald Thompson to the ZBA from 1/1/2021-12/31/2024

Motion by Councilman Burns seconded by Supervisor Murray Resolution #146 was adopted. It was resolved to appoint Donald Thompson to the ZBA from 1/1/2021-12/31/2024. Roll Call of Votes: Flansburg aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #147 Appoint Virginia Fullam to the ZBA from 1/1/2021-12/31/2025

Motion by Councilman Burns seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #147 was adopted. It was resolved to appoint Virginia Fullam to the ZBA from 1/1/2021-12/31/2025. Roll Call of Votes: Flansburg aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #148 Appoint Berton Candee to the Board of Ethics 1/1/2021-12/31/2024

Motion by Councilman Burns seconded by Supervisor Murray Resolution #148 was adopted. It was resolved to appoint Berton Candee to the Board of Ethics from 1/1/2021-12/31/2024. Roll Call of Votes: Flansburg abstain, Burns abstain, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 3 Aye 0 Nay 2 Abstain.

Resolution #149 Approve the New Time Sheet for Highway Crew Beginning January 2021

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #149 was adopted. It was resolved to approve a new time sheet for the highway crew beginning January 2021. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #150 Appoint Mary Ann McManus as the ZBA Chairperson

Motion by Councilman Smith seconded by Councilman Burns Resolution #150 was adopted. It was resolved to appoint Mary Ann McManus as the ZBA Chairperson. Roll Call of Votes: Flansburg abstain, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 1 Abstain.

A reminder was given that the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals are required to have 4 hours of training per member each year and the certificates of training are to be filed in the Town Clerks office.

Resolution #151 Robinson Road name change to Martin Road was denied

Motion by Councilman Kiefer seconded by Councilman Flansburg Resolution #151 was adopted. It was resolved to deny the Robinson Road name change to Martin Road. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Review of the NYS Public Employer Health Emergency Plan was discussed. Board members will review and will discuss at the next meeting.

Resolution #152 Approve to Pay the Bills on November Abstract #11

Motion by Councilman Burns seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #152 was adopted. It was resolved to Pay the Bills on November Abstract #11 \$97,220.66. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #153 Approve to Pay the Bills on December Abstract #12A

Motion by Councilman Burns seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #153 was adopted. It was resolved to Pay the Bills on December Abstract #12A \$19,899.58. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Supervisor Murray informed the Board about the NYMIR Defensive Driving Course available to them and their families.

Public Comments

Resolution #154 Move to Executive Session and have Town Clerk take Minutes

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #154 was adopted. It was resolved to move to executive session along with Town Clerk to take Minutes. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #155 Move to End the Executive Session and Resume Town Board Meeting

Motion by Councilman Kiefer seconded by Supervisor Murray Resolution #155 was adopted. It was resolved to End the Executive Session and Resume Town Board Meeting. Roll Call of Votes: Flansburg aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #156 Appoint Jeff Moore as the Highway Superintendent Effective December 14, 2020

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #156 was adopted. It was resolved to Appoint Jeff Moore as Highway Superintendent effective December 14, 2020. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #157 Approval to Split Benefits Payout into Two Checks for the Highway Superintendent

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #157 was adopted. It was resolved to Approve to split benefits payout into two checks for the Highway Superintendent. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Councilman Kiefer motioned to adjourn the meeting – all were in favor.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:40PM

*Susan M. Peck
Fremont Town Clerk*