

January 12, 2021

Organization and Regular Town Board Meeting

7:00 PM

The Fremont Town Board held their Organization Meeting and Regular Town Board Meeting on January 12, 2020 7:00 PM under Covid-19 restrictions.

Supervisor Emily Murray called the Meeting to order at 7 PM; led the Pledge of Allegiance and Carol Burns gave the Invocation.

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

Other Public Officials Present: Greg Sikosek, Planning Board, Jeff Moore, Highway Superintendent.

Reports of Public Officials submitted and on file: Highway Superintendent Jeff Moore, Justice Betsey Farley, Assessor Holley Smalt, John Leonard, Jr, Code Enforcement Officer, Debra Matthews, Dog Control Officer.

Greg Sikosek gave a brief update on the Planning Boards activities to date.

Resolution #1 Approve the Minutes from the End of Year Meeting on December 29, 2020

Motion by Councilman Burns seconded by Councilman Smith Resolution #1 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the Minutes from the End of Year Meeting on December 29, 2020. Roll Call of Votes: Flansburg abstain, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer abstain, Murray aye. 3 Aye 0 Nay 2 Abstain.

Resolution #2 Re-Appoint Daniel Hammond to the Ethics Board to a term of 1/1/2021-12/31/2024

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #2 was adopted. It was resolved to re-appoint Daniel Hammond to the Ethics Board to a term of 1/1/2021 – 12/31/2024. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns abstain, Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 1 Abstain.

Resolution #3 Approval for Town Supervisor to Transfer Funds, Sign Checks, Bank with Community Bank and Five Star Bank, and Invest Town Funds

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Burns Resolution #3 was adopted. It was resolved to approve Town Supervisor to Transfer Funds, Sign Checks, Bank with Community Bank and Five Star Bank and Invest Town Funds. Roll Call of Votes: Murray abstain, Flansburg aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 1 Abstain.

Resolution #4 Approve to Appoint Cindy Smith as Deputy Supervisor for 2021 with Salary of \$500.00 and Allow her to Transfer Town Funds and Sign Checks

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #4 was adopted. It was resolved to approve to Appoint Cindy Smith as Deputy Supervisor for 2021 with Salary of \$500.00 and allow her to Transfer Town Funds and Sign Checks. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith abstain, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 1 Abstain.

Resolution #5 Authorize Tax Collector to give Supervisor Tax Money Weekly

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #5 was adopted. It was resolved to authorize Tax Collector to give Supervisor Tax Money Weekly. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #6 Approve Salaries of Elected Officials for 2021

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #6 was adopted. It was resolved to approve Salaries for Elected Officials for 2021. *Supervisor \$6,000.00, *Councilman (4) @ \$2,000.00 each, *Town Clerk /Tax Collector \$11,246.00, *Town Justice \$12,000, *Highway Superintendent \$55,000.00. Roll Call of Votes: Flansburg aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #7 Approve One Year Appointments and Their Salaries for 2021

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #7 was adopted. It was resolved to approve One Year Appointments and Their Salaries for 2021. * Attorney for the Town- Richardson & Pullen - \$165.00 per Hour, * Historian Cindy Smith- \$120.00, * Dog Control Officer Debra Matthews \$3,700.00, * Assistant DCO Michael Matthews \$950.00, *Code Enforcement Officer John Leonard \$5000.00, *House Keeper Nancy Hadsell \$12.50 per hour, *Record Manager Officer Susan Peck, *Records Advisory Board: Susan Peck, Cindy Smith, Candy Clarke, *Budget Officer Emily Murray, *Mail Clerk Susan Peck, *Newspaper Reporter Supervisor Emily Murray, *Baldwin Services for Accounting \$7,250.00, *Baldwin Services for Payroll \$2100.00, *IT- Ed's Computers Hourly Rate as needed, *Health Officer- \$410.00 per year, *Registrar of Vital Statistics - \$500 per year. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith abstain, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 1 Abstain.

Resolution #8 Approve the Following Salaries for the Assessor and Board of Assessment Review

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Smith Resolution #8 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the Following Salaries for the Assessor and the Board of Assessment Review. Assessor- \$12,519, Board of Assessment Review: Chair - \$30.00 per hour, 2 members- \$25.00 per hour Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #9 Approve Organization and How Often Salaries are Paid for 2021

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #9 was adopted. It was resolved to approve Organization and How Often Salaries are Paid for 2021. *Monthly Town Board Meeting- Second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM Fremont Town Hall, *Official Newspaper- Evening Tribune, *Official Bank- Community Bank, * Mileage Rate 56 cents per mile (2021 Federal Rate), *Salaries Paid: Bi Weekly: Superintendent of Highways, Highway Employees, and Town Clerk / Tax Collector, *Salaries Paid: Monthly: Supervisor, Assessor, Dog Control Officer, Deputy Dog Control Officer, Justice, Code Enforcement Officer, Deputy Highway Superintendent, *Salaries Paid: Quarterly: Councilmen, Registrar, Deputy Supervisor, and Accountant / Payroll, *Salaries Paid: Annually: Health Officer, Registrar of Vital Statistics, and Historian, *Salaries Paid: Hourly: Housekeeper, Board of Assessment Review members, Town Attorney, Part time Highway Employee. Roll Call of Votes: Flansburg aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #10 Authorize the Audit of the Justice Court Records for 2020 by Baldwin Services for \$600.00

Motion by Councilman Burns seconded by Councilman Smith Resolution #10 was adopted. It was resolved to authorize the Audit of the Justice Court Records for 2020 by Baldwin Services for \$600.00. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #11 Approve the Contract from Richardson and Pullen for 2021

Motion by Councilman Smith seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #11 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the Contract from Richardson and Pullen for 2021. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #12 Accept the Resignation of Thomas Flansburg from the Highway Committee

Motion by Councilman Smith seconded by Councilman Burns Resolution #12 was not adopted. It was not resolved to accept the Resignation of Thomas Flansburg from the Highway Committee. Roll Call of Votes: Flansburg abstain, Kiefer nay, Burns aye, Smith aye, Murray nay. 2 Aye 2 Nay 1 Abstain.

Resolution #13 Approve Line Transfers for the General Fund of \$1123.00

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #13 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the Line Transfers for the General Fund of \$1123.00. Roll Call of Votes: Flansburg aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #14 Approve Line Transfers for the Highway Fund of \$29,239.00

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #14 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the Line Transfers for the Highway Fund of \$29,239.00. Roll Call of Votes: Flansburg aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #15 Approve to Pay Bills – Abstract #1 January 2021

Motion by Councilman Burns seconded by Councilman Smith Resolution #15 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the payment of bills on Abstract #1 January 2021 in the amount of \$13,037.61. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #16 Move to Executive Session and Include the Town Clerk to take Minutes

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #16 was adopted. It was resolved to move to Executive Session and Include the Town Clerk to take Minutes. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #17 End Executive Session and Resume Regular Meeting

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Supervisor Murray Resolution #17 was adopted. It was resolved to end the Executive session and that this Board return to the Regular Meeting. Roll Call of Votes: Flansburg aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #18 Approval for Highway Superintendent Moore and Councilman Kiefer to Arrange Interviews with the three (3) Candidates for the Part-Time Laborer Position

Motion by Councilman Burns seconded by Councilman Smith Resolution #18 was adopted. It was resolved to have Highway Superintendent Moore and Councilman Kiefer Arrange Interviews with the three (3) Candidates for the Part-Time Laborer Position. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #19 Approve Spending Cap of \$200.00 for Advertising Part-Time Laborer Position in Indeed

Motion by Councilman Smith seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #19 was adopted. It was resolved to approve a Spending Cap of \$200.00 for Advertising the Part-Time Laborer Position in Indeed. Roll Call of Votes: Flansburg nay, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 4 Aye 1 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #20 Approve Letter to be Sent by Attorney Supporting the Association of Towns Re: Section 94-C

Motion by Councilman Flansburg seconded by Supervisor Murray Resolution #20 was adopted. It was resolved to approve of Letter to be Sent by Attorney Supporting the Association of Towns Re: Section 94-C. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Flansburg aye, Burns abstain, Smith aye, Murray aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 1 Abstain.

General Information:

Association of Towns – Annual Meeting located at the Marriott Marquis, New York City, February 14-17, 2021

Public Comments???

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

Meeting Adjourned at 8:05PM

*Susan M. Peck
Fremont Town Clerk*