

January 11, 2022

Organization and Regular Town Board Meeting

7:00 PM

The Fremont Town Board held their Organization Meeting and Regular Town Board Meeting on January 11, 2022 7:00 PM under Covid-19 restrictions.

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

Present: Town Board: Supervisor Emily Murray, Councilman Cynthia Smith, Councilman Carol Burns by Phone, Councilman Dean Kiefer and Councilman Bert Candee.

Other Public Officials Present: Tom Flansburg, Highway Superintendent.

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

Resolution #1 Approve the Change on Abstract 12A from \$54,488.07 to \$54,487.07

Motion by Councilman Smith seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #1 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the change on Abstract 12A from \$54,488.07 to \$54,487.07. Roll Call of Votes: Candee aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #2 Approve the Minutes from the December 14, 2021 Meeting

Motion by Councilman Kiefer seconded by Councilman Candee Resolution #2 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the Minutes from the December 14, 2021 Meeting. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Candee aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #3 Approve the Minutes from the End of Year Meeting December 28, 2021

Motion by Councilman Candee seconded by Councilman Smith Resolution #3 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the Minutes from the End of Year Meeting December 28, 2021. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Candee aye, Smith aye, Murray, Burns abstain. 4 Aye 0 Nay 1 Abstain.

Resolution #4 Approval for Town Supervisor to Transfer Funds, Sign Checks, Bank with Community Bank and Five Star Bank, and Invest Town Funds

Motion by Councilman Burns seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #4 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, Candee aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 1 Abstain.

Resolution #5 Approve to Appoint Cindy Smith as Deputy Supervisor for 2022 with Salary of \$500.00 and Allow her to Transfer Town Funds and Sign Checks

Motion by Councilman Candee seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #5 was adopted. It was resolved to approve to Appoint Cindy Smith as Deputy Supervisor for 2022 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, Candee aye. 4 Aye 0 Nay 1 Abstain.

Resolution #6 Authorize Tax Collector to give Supervisor Tax Money Weekly

Motion by Councilman Candee seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #6 was adopted. It was resolved to authorize Tax Collector to give Supervisor Tax Money Weekly. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Candee aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #7 Approve Salaries of Elected Officials for 2022

Motion by Councilman Burns seconded by Councilman Smith Resolution #7 was adopted. It was resolved to approve Salaries for Elected Officials for 2022. *Supervisor \$6,000.00, *Councilman (4) @ \$2,000.00 each, *Town Clerk /Tax Collector \$11,246.00, *Town Justice \$12,000, *Highway Superintendent \$47,000.00. Roll Call of Votes: Candee aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #8 Approve One Year Appointments and Their Salaries for 2022 Term

Motion by Councilman Candee seconded by Councilman Smith Resolution #8 was adopted. It was resolved to approve One Year Appointments and Their Salaries for 2022. * Attorney for the Town- Richardson & Pullen - \$165.00 per Hour, * Historian Cindy Smith- \$0, * Dog Control Officer Debra Matthews \$3,700.00, * Assistant DCO Michael Matthews \$950.00, *Code Enforcement Officer John Leonard \$5000.00, *House Keeper TBD \$13.20 per hour, *Record Manager Officer Susan Peck, *Records Advisory Board: Susan Peck, Cindy Smith, *Budget Officer Emily Murray, *Mail Clerk Susan Peck, *Newspaper Reporter Supervisor Emily Murray, *Baldwin Services for Accounting \$7,600.00, *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-2 year term, Deputy Highway Superintendent, Jonathan Swift - \$500 per year. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Candee aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #9 Approve the Following Salaries for the Assessor and Board of Assessment Review

Motion by Councilman Kiefer seconded by Councilman Candee Resolution #9 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, Candee aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #10 Approve Organization and How Often Salaries are Paid for 2022

Motion by Councilman Candee seconded by Supervisor Murray Resolution #10 was adopted. It was resolved to approve Organization and How Often Salaries are Paid for 2022. *Monthly Town Board Meeting- Second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM Fremont Town Hall, *Official Newspaper- Evening Tribune and Shopper, *Official Bank- Community Bank, * Mileage Rate 58.5 cents per mile (2022 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, Salaries Paid: Quarterly: Councilmen, Registrar, Deputy Supervisor, and Accountant / Payroll, Deputy Highway Superintendent *Salaries Paid: Annually: Health Officer, and Historian, *Salaries Paid: Hourly: Housekeeper,

Board of Assessment Review members, Town Attorney. Roll Call of Votes: Candee aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #11 Authorize the Audit of the Justice Court Records for 2021 by Baldwin Services for \$600.00

Motion by Councilman Burns seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #11 was adopted. It was resolved to authorize the Audit of the Justice Court Records for 2021 by Baldwin Services for \$600.00. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Candee aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

There was a discussion on the purchase of a new Mack Truck for the Highway Department.

Resolution #12 Approve the Purchase of a New Mack Truck for the Highway Department for 2023

Motion by Councilman Kiefer seconded by Councilman Candee Resolution #12 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the Purchase of a new Mack Truck for the Highway Department for 2023. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Candee aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

A discussion began regarding the Planning Board. It was decided to table it for the next meeting.

Resolution #13 Approve to Pay Bills – Abstract #1 January 2022

Motion by Councilman Candee seconded by Councilman Smith Resolution #13 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the payment of bills on Abstract #1 January 2022 in the amount of \$10,433.72. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Candee aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

A discussion began regarding the doors at the Town Hall and at the Town Barn. Councilman Kiefer gave the board a couple of sketches to review for the next meeting.

Resolution #14 Approve the Purchase of New Computer for the Assessor

Motion by Councilman Kiefer seconded by Councilman Candee Resolution #14 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the purchase of a new computer for the Assessor. Roll Call of Votes: Candee aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Tom Flansburg, Highway Superintendent brought up that the Wind Company was going on roads that it was not supposed to be on. He also asked about using Labella and was the wind company going to pay for it. The Town Supervisor said the town attorney let her know that he had spoken with the Wind company and they are considering paying for this cost for the town.

Resolution #15 Move to Executive Session and Include the Town Clerk to take Minutes

Motion by Supervisor Murray seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #15 was adopted. It was resolved to move to Executive Session and Include the Town Clerk to take Minutes. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Candee aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #16 Approve to Promote Shawn Smith to a Full-Time Employee at \$19.50/Hr. Starting 1/12/2022

Motion by Councilman Burns seconded by Councilman Kiefer Resolution #16 was adopted. It was resolved to promote Shawn Smith to a Full-Time Employee at \$19.50/hr. starting 1/12/2022 with a six-month probation ending July 12, 2022. Roll Call of Votes: Candee aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #17 End Executive Session and Resume Regular Meeting

Motion by Supervisor Murray seconded by Councilman Smith 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: Kiefer aye, Candee aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

General Information:

Association of Towns – Annual Meeting located at the Marriott Marquis, New York City, February 20-23, 2022

Public Comments???

Meeting Adjourned at 8:20PM

*Susan M. Peck
Fremont Town Clerk*