

The Fremont Town Board held their Regular Town Board Meeting on July 11, 2023 at 7:00 PM.

Supervisor Emily Murray called the Meeting to order at 7 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance and Council Member Carol Burns gave the Invocation. A moment of silence was given for the passing of Lois Owens.

Present: Town Board: Supervisor Emily Murray, Council Member Dean Kiefer, Council Member Carol Burns, Council Member Cindy Smith and Council Member Seth Hilton.

Other Public Officials Present: Greg Sikosek, Planning Board, Mary Soukup, ZBA.

There were 7 people that attended the meeting

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

Superintendent Flansburg stated that he had a complaint there are young kids riding atvs up behind the town barn on Town Barn Road. He asked if a letter could be sent to the parents or possibly putting up a rope to deter them. He feels that this could be a liability for the town.

It was suggested that a letter be sent to the Guthrie's and the rope up as well. It was recommended to put something on the website stating that no one should be trespassing on town property due to the liability. Supervisor Murray will write a letter to the parents.

Resolution #60 Approve the Supervisor to send a letter to the Parents

Motion by Council Member Kiefer seconded by Council Member Smith Resolution #60 was adopted: Resolved to approve a letter being sent to the parents by Supervisor Murray. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Supervisor Murray asked Greg Sikosek, Planning Board, if he had any information for the Board. He stated that they had a special meeting to go over the solar project for a resident. It was approved and sent on to the John Leonard, Code Enforcement Officer.

Old Business:

Resolution #61 Approve the Correction to Abstract #6

Motion by Council Member Burns seconded by Council Member Hilton Resolution #61 was adopted: Resolved to approve the correction on Abstract #6 from \$48,202.62 to \$48,442.79. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #62 Approve the Minutes for June 20, 2023 Town Board Meeting

Motion by Council Member Smith seconded by Council Member Hilton Resolution #62 was adopted: Resolved to approve the Minutes for June 20, 2023 Town Board Meeting. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Hilton aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

New Business:

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

Resolution #63 Approve the Town of Fremont Insurance \$22,252.75 with NYMIR Cyber Coverage for 2023-24

Motion by Council Member Hilton seconded by Council Member Kiefer Resolution #63 was adopted. Resolved to approve the Insurance \$22,252.75 with NYMIR Cyber coverage. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Kiefer aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Supervisor Murray asked Superintendent Flansburg if he had a copy of the 284 Agreement. *He said no.* The Town Clerk went to make copies to give to the town board.

A discussion began regarding the three quotes for an excavator. The Hyundai HW160A wheeled excavator from George & Swede Sales and Service looked like the best option for the Town.

The 284 agreement was handed out to the Board. The discussion went back and forth between the CHIPs and the excavator. Superintendent Flansburg stated that they would need a letter of intent to hold the one in stock. If not then they would have to order one and it would be \$23,000 more. Council Member Hilton asked how much CHIPs money does the Town receive and *Superintendent Flansburg responded that it changes every year.* Council Member Hilton stated that the town should be set for equipment needs for a long while. The Highway

Department should be able to concentrate on the roads. Supervisor Murray asked if Superintendent Flansburg still wanted to get a plow for his truck, the 2500, and *he responded yes. He did not want a sander for it. This truck would only be used for emergencies.* Supervisor Murray asked Superintendent Flansburg to get some quotes for the plow.

Supervisor Murray stated that Superintendent Flansburg did have one quote for a plow from Wilbri for \$6,856.24.

A discussion began regarding the new Mack truck and when the Town was going to take possession.

Council Member Kiefer asked Superintendent Flansburg what was he going to do with the other excavator and *Superintendent Flansburg stated it would go to auction.* The Board went over the quote for the new excavator.

Resolution #64 Approve Purchase of Excavator and use CHIPs Balance of \$41,007.28 as down payment

Motion by Council Member Hilton seconded by Council Member Kiefer Resolution #64 was adopted. Resolved to approve purchase of excavator and use CHIPs balance of \$41,007.28 as down payment. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #65 Approve the 284 Agreement

Motion by Council Member Smith seconded by Council Member Kiefer Resolution #65 was adopted. Resolved to approve the 284 Agreement. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Burns aye, Hilton aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

A discussion began regarding the ARPA funds (\$98,075.95) from NYS Covid Money. After trying to contact various contractors about receiving a quote for a ductless Mini-Split Heat Pump System for the Town Hall one was finally received from Phoenix Heating and Air Conditioning. Council Member Smith asked for another quote for the Heat Pump. A discussion began on who to contact for this quote. Greg Sikosek will call Isaac's to see if they can submit a quote.

Resolution #66 Approve Payment of the Bills \$132,926.51

Motion by Council Member Smith seconded by Council Member Kiefer Resolution #66 was adopted. Resolved to approve to pay the Bills in the amount of \$132,926.51. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Kiefer aye, Hilton aye, Smith aye, Burns aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Supervisor Murray informed the everyone about ServU FCU shredding days are listed below

9/16 Hornell 9-noon

9/23 Bath 9-noon

Food donations for the Food Bank will be accepted at each location

Public Comments?

Janet Olin asked about the cemeteries being mowed. She did mow one of them. *Supervisor Murray replied that the County will continue to mow them this year.*

Richard Stewart asked how the town made out with the assessments. Supervisor Murray responded that anyone that was not happy with the assessment had avenues to follow.

Supervisor Murray motioned to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:00PM.

Susan M. Peck

Fremont Town Clerk