

**October 10, 2023**

**Public Hearing**

**6:15PM**

The Fremont Town Board held a Public Hearing – Local Law #1 of 2023 Tax Cap Override on October 10, 2023 at 6:15PM. Supervisor Murray asked the only attendee present if he had anything to say about the Tax Cap Law and he replied no.

Supervisor Murray ended the meeting at 6:30PM

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**Public Hearing**

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The Fremont Town Board held a Public Hearing regarding the 2024 Town Budget on October 10, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Supervisor Murray asked the only attendee present if he had anything to say about the Budget and he replied no.

Supervisor Murray ended the meeting at 6:40PM.

**October 10, 2023**

**Town Board Meeting**

**7:00PM**

The Fremont Town Board held their Regular Town Board Meeting on October 10, 2023 at 7:00 PM.

Supervisor Murray called the Meeting to order at 7:00pm; led the Pledge of Allegiance, Council Member Burns gave the invocation.

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

Other Officials: Greg Sikosek, Planning Board, Mary Soukup and Domenica Burns, ZBA

Seven residents 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 and the Town Supervisor had met with Jason Dagger from RWE in September regarding the roads a few weeks ago. He hopes there will be another one in the near future. The one ton is in the shop at Wilbri's. The new truck should be here at the end of October. Steve Curtis is all set with the cuttings.

Supervisor Murray asked him about the excavator and Superintendent Flansburg stated that it was great. Council Member Kiefer asked about what the plan was for the old excavator and Superintendent Flansburg stated that he was waiting for the new truck to arrive possible the end of October then he would put all the equipment on the auction site at once.

The Planning Board composed a letter for the agricultural district for a town resident.

**Old Business:**

**Resolution #81 Approve the Minutes from September 12, 2023**

Motion by Council Member Burns seconded by Council Member Kiefer Resolution #81 was adopted: Resolved to approve the Minutes for September 12, 2023 Town Board Meeting. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Burns aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

**Resolution #82 Approve the Minutes from the Budget Workshop on September 26, 2023**

Motion by Council Member Burns seconded by Council Member Hilton Resolution #82 was adopted: Resolved to approve the Minutes from the September 26, 2023 Budget Workshop. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Burns aye, Hilton aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

**New Business:**

**Resolution #83 Approve Local Law #1 Tax Cap Override**

Motion by Council Member Smith seconded by Council Member Kiefer Resolution #83 was adopted: Resolved to approve Local Law #1 Tax Cap Override. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Hilton aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

**Resolution #84 Approve the 2024 Fremont Town Budget**

Motion by Council Member Kiefer seconded by Council Member Smith Resolution #84 was adopted: Resolved to approve the 2024 Fremont Town Budget. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Burns aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

A discussion began regarding the 2023 Fire Department Contracts. Supervisor Murray asked if any of the Board members had any questions. Council Member Burns stated that there were two errors on the type written amounts in the contract letter.

**Resolution #85 Approve the 2024 Fire Department and Ambulance Contracts With Noted Changes**

Motion by Council Member Burns seconded by Council Member Kiefer Resolution #85 was adopted: Resolved to approve the 2024 Fire Department and Ambulance Contracts with noted changes. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Burns aye, Hilton aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

A discussion began regarding the Town Hall front step railings. The Town Clerk is to check with the contractor to make sure the quote is still valid.

**Resolution #86 Approve the Town Hall Front Step Railings - \$3750.40**

Motion by Supervisor Murray seconded by Council Member Smith Resolution #86 was adopted. Resolved to approve the quote for the front step railings for \$3750.40. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer nay, Hilton aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 4 Aye 1 Nay 0 Abstain.

A discussion began regarding the Town Hall upstairs windows replacement. After a lengthy discussion it was tabled until the type of windows could be reviewed by the Board.

**Resolution #87 Approve to dispose of outdated computer equipment**

Motion by Council Member Kiefer seconded by Council Member Smith Resolution #87 was adopted. Resolved to Approve the disposal of various outdated computer equipment. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Supervisor Murray asked the Planning Board Chair what are the steps to get started on updating the Town of Fremont Comprehensive Plan. He stated there are three steps involved. Step one a vision statement from the Town, step two an outline that does not just incorporate a regurgitation of the census data that is in the plan and step three a committee be created because the planning board does not have the right mix of people to do it. He also asked about combining the Land Use Regulations and the Comprehensive Plan. The Land Use Regulations needs to be pared down to only the things not covered by the State.

Supervisor Murray asked the Board if they had any changes on the Town and Highway Employment Agreement. They did not have any changes.

**Resolution #88 Approve the Town of Fremont and the Highway Department Employment Agreement**

Motion by Council Member Hilton seconded by Council Member Smith Resolution #88 was adopted. Resolved to approve the agreement between the town and highway crew. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Hilton aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

A brief discussion began on the end of term celebration of Justice Farley and Council Member Burns.

Supervisor Murray stated that there were some budget adjustments for the end of the year as follows:

**Budget Transfer #1 for General**

**Transfer From: A1990.4**

Contingency	\$ 1,537.00
AUB Unexp. INTEVENOR FUNDS	\$ 67,394.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 68,931.00</b>

**Transfer To:**

A1355.4A Board of Assessment Review	\$ 414.00
A1420.4 Law, Contr Expend	\$ 34,000.00
A1440.4 Engineering	\$ 33,394.00
A8020.4 Planning, Contr.	\$ 123.00
A9901.9 Transfers, Other Funds	\$ 1,000.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 68,931.00</b>

**Resolution #89 Approve the Budget Adjustments for General Accounts**

Motion by Council Member Smith seconded by Council Member Kiefer Resolution #89 was adopted. Resolved to Approve the budget adjustments to the general accounts. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Hilton aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

**Budget Transfer #2 for Highway**

**Transfer From:**

DA5110.4 Maint. Of Streets, Contr.	\$ 40,000.00
DA5110.1 Maint of Streets, Pers Serv	\$ 6,000.00
DA3501 CHIPS	\$ 115,208.00
DAUB Unexp. Balance	\$ 31,138.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 192,346.00</b>

**Transfer To:**

DA5112.2 CHIPS - Roads	\$ 115,208.00
DA5130.2 Machinery, Equip. & Cap.	\$ 52,410.00
DA5130.4 Machinery, Contr.	\$ 23,790.00

DA9050.8 Unemployment	\$ 889.00
DA9070.8 Clothing Allowance	\$ 49.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 192,346.00</b>

**Resolution #90 Approve the Budget Adjustments for Highway Accounts**

Motion by Council Member Smith seconded by Council Member Hilton Resolution #90 was adopted. Resolved to Approve the budget adjustments to the highway accounts. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Hilton aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

**Resolution #91 Approve to Pay the Bills**

Motion by Council Member Kiefer seconded by Council Member Burns Resolution #91 was adopted: Resolved to approve to pay the bills in the amount of Highway \$31,213.39 and General \$6872.55. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Hilton aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

**Public Comments:**

There were no public comments.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:50PM

*Susan M. Peck*  
*Fremont Town Clerk*