

The Fremont Town Board held their Regular Town Board Meeting on November 14, 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.

A moment of silence was given for Dan Guthrie.

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

Eight 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 the highway crew was still grading roads and Steve Hess came and crushed the gravel.

Old Business:

Resolution #92 Approve the Minutes from the Public Hearings on October 10, 2023

Motion by Council Member Kiefer seconded by Council Member Smith Resolution #92 was adopted: Resolved to approve the Minutes for October 10, 2023 Public Hearings. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Burns aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #93 Approve the Minutes from the Town Board Meeting on October 10, 2023

Motion by Council Member Hilton seconded by Council Member Kiefer Resolution #93 was adopted: Resolved to approve the Minutes from the Town Board Meeting on October 10, 2023. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Burns aye, Hilton aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

New Business:

Review the complaint regarding the County Route 55 property. The Town Supervisor read a letter from the complainant to the Board members. A lengthy discussion began. Supervisor Murray read a letter from the Code Enforcement Officer, John Leonard and a letter from Judge Farley regarding the what actions can be taken if any. It was suggested that some telephone calls be made to the various agencies.

The Town Clerk is planning on using a check scanner from 5 Star Bank for the 2024 Tax payments. The cost of the rental of the machine is \$25.00 and it will be used for three months (tax season).

Supervisor Murray spoke about the energy audit and the downstairs insulation.

The Town Clerk informed the Board that the new railings for the front entrance will be done this Thursday and Friday.

Resolution #94 Approve to Pay the Bills

Motion by Council Member Smith seconded by Council Member Kiefer Resolution #94 was adopted: Resolved to approve to pay the bills in the amount of Highway \$20,857.39 and General \$18,157.63. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Hilton aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

The request for the website notice regarding the Homeless Senior Care housing information was tabled and will be reviewed next month.

Public Comments:

Ryan Batte asked what the Town was going to do about not having a Judge next year. *Supervisor Murray stated that the NYS Magistrate would probably assign a local judge to do Fremont but there was one write in on the ballot. We are waiting to see who this person is.*

Resolution #95 Move to Executive Session with the Town Clerk

Motion by Council Member Burns seconded by Council Member Hilton Resolution #95 was adopted: Resolved to approve to move to executive session with the town clerk. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #96 End Executive Session and Resume Regular Meeting

Motion by Council Member Burns seconded by Supervisor Murray Resolution #96 was adopted: Resolved to approve to end executive session and return to regular meeting. Roll Call of Votes: Murray aye, Smith aye, Burns aye, Kiefer aye, Hilton aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Resolution #97 Approve to accept the Highway/Town Agreement with change to Accidents and Wages

Motion by Council Member Hilton seconded by Council Member Smith Resolution #97 was adopted: Resolved to approve the highway/town agreement with changes to accident and wages. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Hilton aye, Burns aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:40PM

*Susan M. Peck
Fremont Town Clerk*