

June 10, 2025

Regular Town Board Meeting

7:00 PM

The Fremont Town Board held their Regular Town Board Meeting on June 10, 2025 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall.

Supervisor Murray called the Meeting to order at 7:00 PM; led the Pledge of Allegiance and Mary Soukup gave the Invocation.

Present: Town Board: Supervisor Emily Murray , Council Member Cindy Smith, Council Member Dean Kiefer and Council Member Seth Hilton, Council Member Mary Soukup

There were 10 people that attended the meeting.

Other Public Officials Present: Tom Flansburg, Highway Superintendent and Chuck Cagle, Code Enforcement Officer, Janet Olin, ZBA

Special Guests: Kayla Wagner from Sprague Insurance

Reports of Public Officials submitted and on file: Justice Madeleine Seaman, Assessor Holley Smalt, Chuck Cagle, Code Enforcement Officer, Debra Matthews, Dog Control Officer.

Chuck Cagle, Code Enforcement Officer, gave his report and explained what was going on. The report will be on file.

Highway Superintendent Flansburg gave his report that they have been roadside mowing, ditching and grading roads when weather permits. He was asked who was driving the Mack truck that partially rolled over and he replied Bert Candee. He also stated that he completed an accident report on it and gave it to the Town Supervisor. He is going to have the Insurance Company look the truck over and see if it could be totaled. If not totaled a possibility for the truck future would be to use as the water truck.

Chuck Cagle talked about the new Building Permit Application and some of the projects and cleared some misunderstandings up regarding the process of updating the form. Chuck was questioned about a public hearing being needed to change the building permit application. He stated that they are not changing the law which NYS would require a public hearing just the application. Other questions came up so a discussion began for some time.

New Building Permit Application tabled until next meeting.

Supervisor Murray asked if any one was interested in the Planning Board.

Old Business:

Resolution #170 Approve the Minutes from the Regular Town Meeting on May 13, 2025

Motion by Council Member Kiefer seconded by Council Member Soukup Resolution #170 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the Minutes from May 13, 2025. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Soukup aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

New Business:

Representative Kayla Wagner from NYMIR (Sprague Insurance Agency) attended to explain the 2025-26 insurance policy for the Town and answer any questions. Any questions were asked and answered.

Resolution #171 Approve the 2025-26 Insurance Policy with Sprague Insurance Agency

Motion by Council Member Kiefer seconded by Council Member Smith Resolution #171 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the 2025-26 Insurance Policy for the Town with Sprague Insurance Agency. Roll Call of Votes: Smith aye, Soukup aye, Kiefer aye, Hilton aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Town Supervisor Murray explained the line transfers that needed to be done to balance the budget.

General Fund transfer \$22,309.00 from A2460, Wind Power – Baron Winds to A1420.4, Law, Contr Expend \$17,756.00 and A1440.4, Engineer, Contr Expend \$4553.00.

Highway Fund transfer \$\$67,722.00 from DA3501, St. Aid, Consolidated Highway to DA5112.2T, CHIPS -Truck \$67,722.00.

Resolution #172 Approve the Line Transfers

Motion by Council Member Smith seconded by Council Member Kiefer Resolution #172 was adopted. It was resolved to approve the Line Transfers. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Soukup aye, Smith aye, Kiefer, aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Supervisor Murray asked again about the Planning Board and no one was interested. It was asked if the Town could go outside the Town of Fremont for members. The attorney will be contacted to see if this can be done.

The Building Permit Application is tabled until next month after updates are made.

Supervisor Murray asked if the refrigerator downstairs could be replaced. It is around 25 years old. A short discussion began. Council Member Smith will look into a new refrigerator. A limit of \$1,000 was placed on it.

Resolution #173 Approve to Purchase a New Refrigerator for the Downstairs

Motion by Supervisor Murray seconded by Council Member Kiefer Resolution #173 was adopted. It was resolved to Purchase a New Refrigerator for the Downstairs. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Soukup aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

A quote was obtained from Eastern Security Services about adding two cameras to each side of the building. It was decided that two already attached cameras in the front of the building could possibly be re-directed. The Clerk will contact Eastern about the cost of doing this.

Superintendent Flansburg stated the Town received \$23,444 for the Mack and the Ram that were sold on auction.

Supervisor Murray asked Superintendent Flansburg about the 284 Road plans, timeframe and plan.

Superintendent Flansburg stated that Briggs and Pinchen Roads will be done probably around July depending upon the weather. The cost is around \$300,000. If possible, Evans Road may be done as well.

Supervisor Murray stated that the RUA Amendment regarding Haskinville Road was sent to Attorney Klami but have not heard anything back yet. It has not been signed and Haskinville and Canfield Roads need to be added to the bond. A discussion began. The RUA is tabled until next month.

Supervisor Murray stated that the speed camera on Dutch Road was hacked and Superintendent Flansburg put pad locks on the four speed cameras. A discussion began about the speeding in the Town of Fremont.

Eleven of the fines regarding the Wind Company have been paid.

Resolution #174 Approval to Pay the Bills on Abstract #6

Motion by Supervisor Murray seconded by Council Member Soukup Resolution #174 was adopted. It was resolved to approve to pay the bills with General Fund \$39,153.49 and Highway Fund \$5,590.11 totaling \$44,743.60. Roll Call of Votes: Hilton aye, Soukup aye, Smith aye, Kiefer aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Comments:

Janet Olin asked about what the Town Board thought about re-appointing the Assessor. She thought the Board should look around for another assessor. A discussion began regarding the appointment and the Board has not really discussed it yet.

Highway Superintendent Flansburg stated that the Town Board should put a stop to Fracking in the Town of Fremont. A short discussion began.

Resolution #175 Approve the Monthly Statement of Supervisor

Motion by Council Member Smith seconded by Council Member Hilton Resolution #175 was adopted. It was resolved to Approve the Monthly Statement of Supervisor. Roll Call of Votes: Kiefer aye, Hilton aye, Soukup aye, Smith aye, Murray aye. 5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain.

Supervisor Murray motioned to adjourn the meeting and Council Member Smith seconded. All were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50PM

Susan M. Peck
Fremont Town Clerk