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Town of Franklin Board Meetings

Regular Meeting - Monthly Board Meetings June 8, 2022 5:30PM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Supervisor Dorothy Brown, Council Member Richard Jarvis, Council Member Leo Demong and Council Member Gail Huston

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Council Member Rachelle Waters

OTHERS PRESENT:

Richard Brandt, Jason Guzzo—Hudson Valley Wireless, Leg. Lindy Ellis, Jacques DeMars—Highway Superintendent and, Lauren LeFebvre—Town Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Brown called the meeting to order at 5:30pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the Town Clerk called the roll, noting a quorum present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Leg. Lindy Ellis reported Franklin County Highway Department has received the necessary DEC permits to paving sections of Co. Rt. 55.

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF May 11, 2022 Minutes-G.Huston-L.Demong m/s/p

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Balances on hand as of May 31, 2022

General Fund

Checking	\$225,323.47
Savings	\$91,166.31
Historian	\$3,040.31

Kt. Mt SRF	\$2,058.72
Cemetery RF	\$5,609.30
CLASS	\$325,185.25
Kate Mt. CLASS	\$46,707.60
Highway Fund	
Checking	\$941,001.70
Savings	\$1,681.51
Cap Proj. HW	\$4,159.74
CLASS	\$411,327.43
Landfill Clos. CR	
Checking	\$1,112.10
CLASS	\$8,070.99
Fire Protection	
Checking	\$2,436.71
CLASS	\$1,518.81
Capital Proj Bldg	
CLASS	\$151,014.80
(Jarvis-Demong m/s/p) All Aye	

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

The board audited and approved the following claims:

General Fund	Abstract 6	Claims 91-119	\$30,217.01
Highway Fund	Abstract 6	Claims 80-93	\$16,277.12
Pre-Pay General	Abstract 6	Claims 28-33	\$16,277.12
(Huston-Demong m/s/p) All Aye			

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Superintendent DeMars presented the following report:

1. Started prepping section of Norman Ridge Rd to be paved
2. 1 employee left
3. Ongoing work at rec park as per requests from Supervisor Brown (digging/ filling in and leveling spots for building and shed, digging for water line and electrical line, setting up wood chip pit, back filling water line and electrical line)
4. Assisted Town of Brighton with paving
5. Assisted Town of Harrietstown with paving
6. Raked McManus Rd
7. Graded and raked Merrill Rd
8. Graded Mensink Rd
9. Fuel and gas sheets were given to the Town Clerk

RESOLUTION #22 APPROVAL OF FRANKLIN COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

On a motion by Council Member Huston, second by Council Member Demong the following resolution was adopted: WHEREAS, the Town of Franklin, with the assistance from Friends of the North Country, has gathered information and prepared the Franklin County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan and WHEREAS, the Franklin County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan has been prepared in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and WHEREAS, the Town of Franklin is a local unit of government that has afforded the citizens an opportunity to comment and provide input in the Plan and the actions in the Plan; and WHEREAS, the Town of Franklin has reviewed the Plan and affirms that the Plan will be updated no less than every five years; NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board that the Town of Franklin, adopts the Franklin County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan as this jurisdiction's Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan and resolves to execute the actions in the Plan.

Those voting aye:

- Supervisor Brown
- Council Member Demong
- Council Member Jarvis
- Council Member Huston

Those voting no: None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Records Management**RESOLUTION #22 APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE FOR RECORDS MANAGEMENT**

On a motion by Council Member Demong, second by Supervisor Brown, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Franklin Town Board does hereby approve of the expenditure of \$8,750.00 for inventorying, tracing, purging, recovering and reorganizing all Town of Franklin records (with the exception of Town Court) according to the required procedures of the NYS Archives Department.

Those voting aye:

Supervisor Brown
Council Member Demong
Council Member Jarvis
Council Member Huston

Those voting no: None

B. Energy - Grant programs and replacing streetlight with LED's were discussed

RESOLUTION #23 APPROVAL TO PROCEED WITH ENERGY REDUCTION RESEARCH

On motion by Supervisor Brown, second by Council Member Demong, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Franklin Town Board does hereby approve of the efforts of Council Member Jarvis and volunteer Richard Brandt proceeding to obtain more information regarding energy reduction funding programs with replacement of streetlights with LED's as priority.

Those voting aye:

Supervisor Brown
Council Member Demong
Council Member Jarvis
Council Member Huston

Those voting no: None

C. Cloudsplitter.org - Supervisor Brown announced the Town of Franklin was awarded \$5000 from Cloudsplitter.org in support of the Summer Youth Program.

D. Hudson Valley Wireless — Jason Guzzo, HVW, presented the board with information regarding bringing internet service to unserved portions of the Town of Franklin. From the preliminary testing, service is expected to be available to approximately 200 households that currently have no high speed broadband access.

OLD BUSINESS

A. DASNY - Sen. Dan Stek's office is tracing the status is of the \$100,000 allocation from Sen. Little.

B. Park Building - Supervisor Brown reported to date the Town of Franklin has spent \$50,729.65 on improvements to the park and playground.

C. Pump Track - Council Member Huston reported work is progressing on the project and thanked the many volunteers for their assistance.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Recreation - Council Member Jarvis reported the two informational kiosks (one for the Town Hall and one for Kate Mt Park) are built. He is awaiting notification regarding when they will be installed.

B. Youth Program - Supervisor Brown reported the new playground equipment has been installed at the park. AJ Arnold, who is doing the interior carpentry work, has received half the estimated cost (\$10,500) of the project in advance..

C. Newsletter - Council Member Huston reported a new newsletter is in progress. Any official wishing to provide an article should submit it to Council Member Huston prior to mid-July.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Supervisor Brown adjourned the meeting at 7:08pm.

Respectfully submitted, Lauren LeFebvre, Town Clerk

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