

**PROCEEDINGS OF VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN  
VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2007, 8:00 P.M.  
FRANKLIN VILLAGE HALL - BROUGHTON HOUSE  
32325 FRANKLIN ROAD, FRANKLIN, MICHIGAN 48025**

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by President Jahnke at 8:00 p.m. at the Franklin Village Hall, Franklin, Michigan.

**II. Roll Call**

Present: Mark Jahnke, Randy McElroy, Fred Gallasch, Alan Harnisch, Brian Coyer, Bill Lamott, Dominick Schiano

Also Present: Jon Stoppels, Administrator  
Eileen Pulker, Clerk  
Patrick Browne, Police Chief  
Tony Averbuch, Fire Chief  
John Staran, Hafeli Staran Hallahan Christ & Dudek, P.C., Village Attorney

**III. Adoption of Agenda**

Stoppels recommended that Council consider tabling Special Report, Administrator Report, Code Review Report (VIII, D, 2) and New Business, Consider Electrical Permitting fees (IX, E) in the interest of time and length of the agenda and more information can be found prior to next month's meeting.

**Motion by Gallasch, supported by McElroy, to approve the agenda having tabled VIII, D, 2 and IX, E.**

**Ayes: McElroy, Gallasch, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott, Schiano, Jahnke**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

**IV. Minutes**

**A. Special Meeting of May 8, 2007**

**Motion by McElroy, supported by Harnisch, to approve the minutes of the Special Village Council Meeting of May 8, 2007 as presented.**

**Ayes: McElroy, Gallasch, Harnisch, Coyer, Jahnke**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: Schiano, Lamott**

**Motion carried.**

**B. Regular Meeting of May 14, 2007**

**Motion by Coyer, supported by Gallasch, to approve the minutes of the Regular Village Council meeting of May 14, 2007 as presented.**

**Ayes: McElroy, Gallasch, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott, Jahnke**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: Schiano**

**Motion carried.**

**C. Special Meeting, Budget Public Hearing, May 21, 2007**

**Motion by Coyer, supported by McElroy, to approve the minutes of the Special Budget Public Hearing Meeting of May 21, 2007 as presented.**

**Ayes: McElroy, Gallasch, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott, Jahnke**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: Schiano**

**Motion carried.**

**V. Reports of Village Officers and Agents**

Police Chief Patrick Browne referred Council to his written report and provided details for a few incidences to the Council's attention including a residential break-in that occurred on Franklin Woods Court. The homeowner discovered that an individual forced open the basement window but did not proceed any further. Neighbors of the property witnessed a suspicious individual on the property and reported it to Castro. A suspect was arrested in Bloomfield Township for residential break-ins who fit the description of the individual suspected in the incidence at Franklin Woods Court. Chief Browne also mentioned that a bicycle was stolen from the Franklin Cemetery. Browne then announced that Sergeant Ed Girardot retired May 31, 2007 and there will be a retirement party for him on Thursday, June 28, 2007 at the Franklin Community Church from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. All are welcome and encouraged to come and express appreciation for his 28 years of service. Chief Browne also updated the council on the ongoing process of replacing Sergeant Girardot.

McElroy asked if the police department could look at some options regarding eliminating excessive parking of vehicles on the streets for long periods of time. Chief Browne will work with his staff to explore some options to alleviate such nuisances as the State law provides that a vehicle cannot be parked for more than 48 continuous hours.

Fire Chief Tony Averbuch referred Council to his written report and announced that June 6, 2007 the Fire Department had held their annual Fire Extinguisher Day and the turn out was less than expected. As a result of the lack of response the Fire Department will not be able to afford to bring the contractor in for the next couple of years. Averbuch stressed that it is important to be proactive in fire protection and hopes they can initiate this event again in a couple years with more of a turn out. Averbuch then announced that he had signed a purchase order for a new ambulance which will have the latest technology in place so that it can be used for many years to come. There will not be any special increase for the ambulance as it is part of the millage that the Village is already providing to the Fire Department. Regarding the service contract, Averbuch asked for permission and guidance from the Council to provide participation in a meeting to take place the week of the Council meeting at a convenient time for both Franklin and Bingham Farms, and the Fire Department to coordinate the compilation of contracts for both Villages with the Fire Department. Averbuch added that his hope is to get the contract/agreement approved by the Fire Commission and then approved by the Village Council at their July meeting.

Jahnke asked that Staran be involved in the meeting as well.

**VI. Submission of Current Bills**

**TOTALS:**

<b>General Administration</b>	<b>\$25,025.49</b>
<b>Building</b>	<b>11,189.32</b>
<b>Insurance</b>	<b>41,146.38</b>
<b>Legal</b>	<b>5,968.50</b>
<b>Police</b>	<b>13,620.99</b>
<b>Pressure Sewer</b>	<b>200.00</b>
<b>General Debt Service</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Major Roads</b>	<b>5,565.07</b>
<b>Local Roads</b>	<b>4,365.00</b>
<b>Rubbish</b>	<b>15,578.94</b>
<b>Trust &amp; Agency</b>	<b>10,445.00</b>
<b>Village Hall &amp; Grounds</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Waste Water</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$133,104.69</b>

**Motion by McElroy, supported by Coyer, to approve the bills list as submitted.**

**Ayes: McElroy, Gallasch, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott, Schiano, Jahnke**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

McElroy pointed out that this is the second month in a row that building official, Bill Dinnan received a much smaller check than usual and this may be an indicator of a down turn in building permit activity for the Village, as the economy is slowing down. McElroy asked Council to keep this in mind when they begin analyzing numbers.

Gallasch asked for a summation on A.K. Paulsen Bookkeeping and Accounting.

Jahnke pointed out that Dinnan is still at \$134,000.00 for a twelve month period.

Discussion ensued regarding a few other items on the bills list such as the Broughton House remodeling, the fence repair at the cemetery and cable casting being a quarterly payment.

## **VII. Public Requests and Comments**

Kathi Russell of 32635 Franklin Road spoke on behalf of the Franklin Merchant's Association and announced that they have completed their walking tour of Franklin from the Cider Mill to the Cemetery. There are maps being distributed throughout the merchant's area as well as the realtors for their welcome packets and also to the libraries of surrounding areas and the Franklin Library and Village Office. Russell invited any of the Franklin organizations to call her with any special event dates so they can be printed on the maps. Russell reminded everyone that the Garden Walk will be Wednesday, June 13, 2007. Jahnke referred Russell to Stoppels after she asked about painting the street signs in the Historic District.

Marcia Gershenson, County Commissioner, District 17, announced that the Oakland County Discount Dental Plan had been implemented and there are brochures available at the Village and County offices for those that would like more information. Gershenson explained that it is a discount dental plan for families that do not have dental insurance and the cost is \$69 per year families can get a discount, not insurance, on all of their dental services. Gershenson then talked about the Capital Cooperative Initiatives Revolving Fund (CCIRF) explaining that if a community is looking to share services with any other community, the County has the funds for the feasibility study. Gershenson announced that the SEMCOG is holding a free grant writing

seminar for government officials and the Senior Olympics will be occurring on August 6<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Gershenson updated the Council on the status of Fourteen Mile Road explaining that the County cut back several of the areas overgrown landscaping and in doing so damaged a light fixture on West Haverford Road. Oakland County is working on replacing the light fixture within then next six months. Gershenson added that a Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) permit has been approved to clean the culvert out at 14 Mile Road and Franklin Road, which should be completed within the next few months.

## **VIII. Special Reports**

### **A. Recognition/Tribute – Florence “Jo” Saltzman**

Ralph Sosin of 26075 Woodlore, led the recognition/tribute for the late Florence “Jo” Saltzman by saying that she was a good friend and she accomplished a great deal in her lifetime. Sosin remembered that he first met Jo over forty years ago when they were working together on the Franklin School PTA. She became then and continued thereafter to be his mentor because she had the experience in community activities and he always looked to her for advice and help. Sosin pointed out that Jo served on the Village of Franklin Council for ten years and was the President Pro Tem for several of those years. Sosin provided five adjectives to describe Jo, as follows:

**Tenacious:** Sosin stated that anyone who knew Jo would know exactly what he was talking about. She would grab the tiger by the tail and not let go until the mission was accomplished. Saltzman had her lists of organizations and people to contact when needed.

**Fun-Loving:** Sosin stated that he remembered her hearty laugh which she displayed often. Saltzman had a great sense of humor and loved to share articles and cartoons that amused her.

**Straight Forward:** Sosin pointed out that Jo was a person who “what you saw was what you got” and there was no pretense about her at all. When she had something to say she would not hesitate to speak her mind.

**Loyal:** Sosin mentioned that he experienced her loyalty personally. One instance he cited was when she helped him with his campaign for reelection, which he ended up winning.

**Family-Oriented:** Sosin explained that Jo truly loved and admired her husband Arthur and her children.

Sosin concluded stating that he treasured his memories of her and he is proud to have known her.

Lamott referred to Sosin mentioning tenacity to describe Jo and stated that he was a victim of that tenacity. Lamott stated that he had met Jo five years ago and one of the things that impressed him about her was that she really understood that Village Government and Civic Organizations do not run by themselves and that it takes people and commitment to do that. Lamott added that Jo was certainly the example of a committed person. Lamott stated that he was thankful to have known her and he learned a lot from her. Lamott remembered her sense of humor and how fun it was to talk to her. Lamott concluded by saying that he was glad he knew her and is pleased that they had a relationship.

Coyer provided the six adjectives to describe Jo, as follows:

Shatterproof: Jo was someone who would not be put aside. Saltzman was one who would always stand up.

Meticulous: Saltzman kept many, many lists; some typed on old typewriters with handwritten notes on them. Saltzman had old records of things that the council had accomplished. Coyer pointed out that she was not at all eccentric, every bit appropriate, and every bit on the mark reflecting the extraordinary education that she had.

Sophisticated: Coyer reported that she was a woman who understood music, literature and art throughout her life. Saltzman had visited many museums and she knew all about Portuguese Blues music.

Eclectic: Coyer remembered her many areas of sophistication.

Feisty and Winner: Saltzman was successful in her enterprises. Jo was successful in her aid to Sosin. Coyer concluding noting that she was successful with him as she was his mentor on Council and he will miss her.

Harnisch stated that he had gotten to know Jo when he became a council member in 2000 at which time she had already dedicated much of her life to the Village of Franklin as well as other public service endeavors. Harnisch agreed with everything that had already been said adding that what stood out to him the most was her dedication to her community and to public service in general, as she gave a great deal of herself and was always a remarkable woman in that regard. Harnisch stated that he had noticed that, despite her dedication and hard work and the serious nature of her work, she always did it in a fun loving way with a laugh and sense of humor. Harnisch concluded noting how he always enjoyed her interesting nature and how she approached things off beat and differently at times.

Jahnke stated that he had served with Jo and her husband Arthur on Council and was very impressed by her commitment to the Village. Jahnke remarked that he would like to see more people and families like Jo's that are just as committed to the Village, as it makes a great difference to the community and the future of Franklin.

Gallasch shared that he remembered when he was running for council twelve years ago and Jo insisted that he come to her home. Gallasch stated that he had and they had tea and cookies for six hours. Gallasch told how she went over the entire history of the Village. Saltzman had advised him who had run for office and who lost and why. Gallasch concluded stating that it was one of the most informative things that were ever done for him and he will never forget it and he will never forget her.

Schiano stated that he had met Jo when he first came on as Treasurer approximately five years ago. Schiano explained that she was always a pleasure to work side by side with and he came up with some adjectives himself to describe Jo; no-nonsense, witty and fun-loving. Schiano remembered that she had had a unique ability to have a quick laugh and then get down to business and get it done. Schiano remembered that Saltzman had good opinions and that she was selfless; everything she did was for the good of the Village and what she was doing. Schiano noted that there was no ego involved as she always wanted to do the right thing. Schiano remarked on all of her years of service in many different organizations. Schiano concluded stating that Jo is a true example of community service as she was someone who really dedicated her life to serving her community.

McElroy shared that he remembered that Jo was crafty. McElroy spoke of a time when she would use her famous “abstain” and she knew exactly what she was doing. McElroy said that you would see her little grin on her face and would know that you had been had. McElroy stated that she was a buddy, she was a friend and she was fun to be around. McElroy added that she was grateful for anything anyone did for her. McElroy concluded by stating how delightful she was and how he felt blessed that he was able to get to know her.

Stoppels commented that he had known Jo for five years and had spent a lot of time with her both while she was on council and after. Stoppels stated that Saltzman called him on a regular basis to let him know when he was right and particularly to let him know when he was wrong. Stoppels found Saltzman to be wonderfully dedicated to her job as she always knew the facts, she always did her homework and she never wavered in her commitments. Stoppels stated that he had noticed that she was a classy and very modern woman way before it was in vogue and it was obvious in the way that she conducted herself. Stoppels stated that he thought that she had a great sense of humor and he always looked forward to her visits. Stoppels stated that he was glad that she cared about and dedicated her time to the Village even after her tenure on the Village council and he thought it very important that her family know that the evidence of her love for her family is in that she always made them a part of her service to the community. Stoppels pointed out that she always used them as an example of how things should be and it was always welcome to see the family in the office when they would bring her in for her regular visits. Stoppels concluded his comments by thanking her family for sharing Jo with the community and stated that it was a great privilege to know her.

Amie Saltzman, Jo’s Daughter, stated that she had grown up in Franklin and remembered her mother being very active in the School and the Library and Camp Fire Girls. She added that her mother then got involved with the Board of Education and then state politics. Saltzman stated that Jo subsequently decided to serve in Franklin as that is where her heart really was. She concluded by stated that her mother considered most of the people she worked with very dear friends.

Sally, Jo’s Daughter, stated that her mother had loved Franklin and because of her they have memories in Franklin that go back their whole lives. She thanked everyone for their friendship and their camaraderie. Sally spoke of how much her mother loved her intellectual sparring with her friends in Franklin and remembered Eileen Pulker for the special friendship she shared with her mother.

Jo’s son-in-law and granddaughter remarked on how much they had learned from her and how much they will miss her.

Sue Howardson, who is on the faculty of Midvale Early Childhood Center, stated that she knew Jo for many years and when it came to politics she was one of the best and that she will miss her dearly.

## **B. President’s Report, Mark Jahnke, Village President**

### **1. Main Street Oakland County Program, update**

Jahnke stated that he has been talking to both LaSalle and Comerica banks about the Community Reinvestment Act as suggested by Bob Donahue of the Main Street Oakland County program at the May 8, 2007 meeting. Jahnke also reported on an article in the Free Press about the Main Street Program and a few volunteers have come forward. Jahnke has also been working with

Donahue and Staran regarding laying some groundwork for what type of framework the Village will have to help along with Main Street, possibly a Steering Committee or a Board.

## **2. 14 Mile Road improvement program**

Jahnke reported that Stoppels has been active in discussions with Bloomfield Township and the road is currently in the best shape that it has been in some time. Jahnke suggested benchmarking what action was taken and how long it lasts for future information. Jahnke also pointed out that 14 Mile Road between Franklin and Inkster is a County Road and while the Village can have some level of influence it still remains a County Road.

## **3. Franklin Cemetery update**

Jahnke reported that the Cemetery Board formed a sub-committee to prepare a request for proposal to solicit professional management assistance and in the Request for Proposal (RFP) it will refer to the agreements with the Village that relate to the sale of the property to the cemetery by the Village.

### **C. Council Report**

#### **1. Police Landscape Report – Bill Lamott, Trustee**

Lamott stated that there is still some money left over and still things left to do with the landscaping at the Police Department Building. Lamott and Stoppels have been talking to a new resident, Leslie Jakobs, who is also a landscape designer, master gardener and an expert in native plants whom they would like to engage to develop a plan.

### **D. Administrator Report**

#### **1. Village Election, September 11, 2007**

Jahnke announced that the next Village Election will be September 11, 2007 and the deadline for petitions to be turned into the Village Clerk will be Tuesday, June 19, 2007 at 4:00 p.m.

## **IX. New Business**

### **A. Consider Demolition Permit application for the property located at 31600 Briarcliff.**

**#2007-35 Motion by Schiano, supported by Gallasch, to approve the Demolition permit for the property located at 31600 Briarcliff.**

**Ayes: McElroy, Gallasch, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott, Schiano, Jahnke**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

### **B. Consider Demolition Permit application for the property located at 27230 Wellington.**

**#2007-36 Motion by McElroy, supported by Gallasch, to approve the Demolition permit for the property located at 27230 Wellington**

Gallasch referred to the route that the trucks will use to haul materials away pointing out that they have suggested using 14 Mile Road. Gallasch asked that they not use 14 Mile Road as it was just worked on and suggested that they be directed to use 13 Mile Road instead, or any other route rather than 14 Mile Road.

Discussion took place regarding the possibility of the fire department using properties that are scheduled for demolition as a training site. Pulker pointed out that the fire department does get copies of all council agendas should they want to contact the property owner for such training opportunities.

**Ayes: McElroy, Gallasch, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott, Schiano, Jahnke**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried.**

**C. Consider Renewal of Liquor License for Franklin Grill**

Jahnke suggested that the Council Advisory Board meet and return with a recommendation for the Council at the July meeting.

**#2007-37 Motion by Coyer, supported by McElroy, to table the renewal of the Liquor License for the Franklin Grill until the July meeting.**

Discussion ensued regarding the expiration of the liquor license. Staran explained that unless the State receives an objection, they will move forward with the renewal process.

Coyer pointed out that there are some incomplete requirements that have been pending for some time and the Committee has not had a chance to deliberate on them.

McElroy stated that the Franklin Grill is fine as far as health inspections and they are fine as far as the police and fire departments are concerned. McElroy explained that the Village is trying to work with the Franklin Grill the best that they can with the remaining requirements as they would like to see the restaurant remain and succeed without putting the public at risk and the public is currently not at risk.

**Ayes: McElroy, Gallasch, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott, Schiano, Jahnke**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried.**

**D. Consider Fire Dispatch Service Agreement between the Village of Franklin and the County of Oakland, and the Fire Dispatch Service Agreement Between the County of Oakland and the Franklin Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.**

Pulker handed out the latest version of the agreement and Staran explained that the two changes that he requested to be made were completed and are reflected on the latest version. Staran stated that he firmly believes the agreement is the best they are going to get and recommended that Council approve it.

**#2007-38 Motion by Coyer, supported by McElroy, to adopt the Fire Dispatch Service Agreement between the Village of Franklin and the County of Oakland.**

**Ayes: McElroy, Gallasch, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott, Schiano, Jahnke**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried.**

**E. Consider Department of Public Works Bids**

Jahnke referred Council to a memo and a chart from Jon Stoppels regarding the public works services contract bids from Greenscapes and Great Lakes Landscaping.

Stoppels pointed out that the contract will begin on July 1, 2007 and will be for a period of two years. Stoppels recapped by saying that the Village is currently in an interim basis with Greenscapes, and the Village did take two bids from two qualified companies. Representatives from both companies were invited to the Council meeting to answer any questions as well as make any brief presentation they want regarding their ability to execute the contract.

Mr. Gordon from Great Lakes Landscaping in Warren stated that he started his company ten years ago and they currently have 80 employees and approximately 45 trucks, and do a lot of work in the tri-county area. Gordon pointed out that he and his estimators had determined that there was nothing in the contract that drew immediate attention that would be a problem. When asked about timing concerns regarding snow plowing, Gordon explained that they have radar on all the time and anticipate when the trucks need to be dispatched so that they are on site when they are needed. Discussion ensued regarding having a performance clause in the contract, the equipment that Great Lakes Landscaping has and where it is stored, the number of people assigned to the Village, and his company's financials.

Jim Kochensparger from Greenscapes referred to his equipment list, explaining that a dump truck is plugged in within the Village that is started daily. Kochensparger also stated that he has five additional vehicles that he keeps garaged in the Village with snowplows that are ready to go at any given moment. Kochensparger continued his presentation of his company pointing out that his response time and his knowledge of the Village needs is better than what Great Lakes Landscaping could provide.

Jahnke stressed that there would absolutely need to be a written agreement in order to continue the service.

When asked, Kochensparger talked about his experience with pavement/drainage management and explained that he is confident that he will be able to provide whatever service is required.

Kathi Russell commented on many conversations with residents in the Village regarding the wonderful job that Greenscapes has done with snow removal and other detailed work.

**#2007-39 Motion by Lamott, supported by Schiano, to accept the bid of Greenscapes subject to being able to negotiate an acceptable signed contract by the end of the month of June 2007. The contract must be satisfactory to the Administrator and if issues arise, it needs to be brought back to Council to consider their options for the services needed.**

**Ayes: McElroy, Gallasch, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott, Schiano, Jahnke**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

**F. Consider Recommendation of Personnel Committee for FY 2007-2008 Non-Union Employee Wages and Benefits**

Jahnke referred to the memo dated June 7, 2007 and the attached proposed salaries supplied by Stoppels.

**#2007-40 Motion by Schiano, supported by Harnisch, to approve the wage increase proposals as submitted.**

**Motion by Gallasch, supported by Harnisch, to amend the motion to exclude the Police Chief from the approval to allow for the Personnel Committee to meet and complete their evaluations of the Chief and the Administrator and then bring forth a suggestion to the next council meeting.**

**Ayes: McElroy, Gallasch, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott, Schiano, Jahnke**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

**G. Consider Request of the Franklin Community Co-op Preschool to place sign on the Village Green**

Jahnke referred to a letter written by Kim Green, President of the Board of Directors of the Franklin Community Co-op Preschool.

**#2007-41 Motion by Gallasch, supported by Schiano, to approve the placement of a temporary sign for the Franklin Community Co-op Preschool as requested on the Village Green.**

Lamott stated that he would like to see something that fits in with the Historic District and he expressed concern that a plastic sign would not fit in with the aesthetics of the Historic District. Lamott asked that they erect an appropriate-looking sign that will reflect favorably upon the school.

**Ayes: McElroy, Gallasch, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott, Schiano, Jahnke**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

**X. Proclamations/Resolutions/Ordinances**

**A. Consider Ordinance to Amend Section 1042.13 of Chapter 1042, Sewer Use and User Charges, of Part Ten, Title Four of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Franklin, Oakland County, Michigan, to Modify Sewage Disposal system Rates and Charges, and Repeal Conflicting Ordinances (first reading)**

Jahnke explained that the proposed ordinance is a \$14.57 per quarter increase in the fees that the residents on the sewage system are paying to Oakland County Drain Commission.

**#2007- 42 Motion by Coyer, supported by McElroy, to adopt the Ordinance to Amend Section 1042.13 of Chapter 1042, Sewer Use and User Charges, of Part Ten, Title Four of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Franklin, Oakland County, Michigan, to Modify Sewage Disposal system Rates and Charges, and Repeal Conflicting Ordinances in its first reading and to waive the second reading.**

**Ayes: McElroy, Gallasch, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott, Schiano, Jahnke**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

**B. Consider Ordinance to Amend Section 1040.10 of Chapter 1040, Waste Water Management District, of Title Four, Part Ten, of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Franklin, Oakland County, Michigan, to Require Waste Water System Operating Permit Issuance and Pump-Out Every Three Years, to Repeal Conflicting Ordinances, and Prescribe a Penalty for Violations (first reading)**

Jahnke stated that this is about taking the bi-annual pump out requirement and changing it to a tri-annual pump out requirement and in addition to that increasing the \$10 fee to \$25 once every three years.

**#2007-43 Motion by Gallasch, supported by McElroy, to approve the Ordinance to Amend Section 1040.10 of Chapter 1040, Waste Water Management District, of Title Four, Part Ten, of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Franklin, Oakland County, Michigan, to Require Waste Water System Operating Permit Issuance and Pump-Out Every Three Years, to Repeal Conflicting Ordinances, and Prescribe a Penalty for Violations in its first reading.**

**Ayes: McElroy, Gallasch, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott, Schiano, Jahnke**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

**C. Consider Ordinance to Add Chapter 1480, Weed and Grass Growth Control, to Part Fourteen, Title Six of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Franklin, Oakland County, Michigan, to Provide for Control and Eradication of Certain Noxious Weeds and Violations (first reading)**

Staran explained that beginning next year this ordinance would allow the Village to publish a notice in the paper in the spring as a reminder that lawns needs to be kept maintained and that that would be the only notice for the year as opposed to sending letters over and over again to each specific address. Staran also added some provisions in the ordinance protecting certain types of vegetation that are welcome in the Village.

Jahnke recommended that the Legal Liaison Committee review the changes at their next meeting and return their findings to the Council in July.

**#2007-44 Motion by Gallasch, supported by McElroy, to approve the Ordinance to Add Chapter 1480, Weed and Grass Growth Control, to Part Fourteen, Title Six of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Franklin, Oakland County, Michigan, to Provide for Control and Eradication of Certain Noxious Weeds and Violations in its first reading.**

Discussion ensued regarding increasing the fee for the Village having to cut lawns and some concern was expressed regarding protecting native plants and natural landscape areas.

Kochensparger suggested having a minimum fee with an hourly fee attached to it and also pointed out that there needs to be verbiage to protect the Village from anything hidden under grass that the Village may damage when cutting the grass.

**Ayes: McElroy, Gallasch, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott, Schiano, Jahnke**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

**D. Consider Resolution in Appreciation of Sergeant Edward Girardot Jr.'s service to the Village**

Chief Browne read the following proposed Resolution in honor of Sergeant Edward Girardot Jr. Browne also pointed out that Sergeant Girardot is probably one of the more highly decorated officers in Southeast Michigan and had done a very commendable job.

## **RESOLUTION**

### **SERGEANT EDWARD GIRARDOT JR.**

#### **In appreciation of his service to the Village of Franklin**

WHEREAS, **SERGEANT EDWARD GIRARDOT JR.** has been employed as a police officer by the Village of Franklin since May 1979; and;

WHEREAS, **SERGEANT EDWARD GIRARDOT JR.** has proven to be an exceptional police officer becoming one of the most highly decorated police officers for the Franklin Police Department; and

WHEREAS, **SERGEANT EDWARD GIRARDOT JR.** has chosen to retire on May 31, 2007 after 28 years of outstanding service to the citizens of the Village of Franklin; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Council wishes to express its sincere gratitude for the invaluable service **SERGEANT EDWARD GIRARDOT JR.** has rendered in keeping the citizens of the Village of Franklin safe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution and expression of civic appreciation be presented to **SERGEANT EDWARD GIRARDOT JR.** on behalf of the undersigned.

**#2007-45 Motion by Gallasch, supported by McElroy, to offer appreciation to Sergeant Edward Girardot Jr and prepare the resolution to be signed to be presented to Girardot at his retirement party.**

**Ayes: McElroy, Gallasch, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott, Schiano, Jahnke**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

**E. Consider Resolution to allow for dependent coverage on retiree health insurance.**

Jahnke explained that retiree health insurance currently only covers the employee and the spouse. Girardot has two children that he would like to be covered.

Chief Browne referred to the proposed agreement and asked Council to consider approving his dependents being covered. The agreement will be a three party agreement between the Union, the Village and Sergeant Girardot. Girardot will reimburse the Village thirty days in advance monthly.

Harnisch asked that the word processing/formatting be changed so that it is clear that it is a three party agreement.

**#2007-46 Motion by Schiano, supported by Coyer, to approve the resolution to allow for dependent coverage on retiree health insurance as presented by Chief Browne at the meeting with Trustee Harnisch's comments to show a three party agreement.**

**Ayes: McElroy, Gallasch, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott, Schiano, Jahnke**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

**XI. Adjournment**

**Motion by Lamott, supported by Schiano, to adjourn the meeting.**

**Ayes: McElroy, Gallasch, Harnisch, Coyer, Lamott, Schiano, Jahnke**

**Nays: None**

**Motion carried.**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Angie Eby, Recording Secretary

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Eileen H. Pulker, Clerk

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Mark W. Jahnke, President