

**VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN
VILLAGE COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2019, 6:00 PM
FRANKLIN VILLAGE HALL – BROUGHTON HOUSE
32325 FRANKLIN ROAD, FRANKLIN, MICHIGAN 48025**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President, Pamela Hansen, 6:03 P.M. at the Franklin Village Hall, Franklin, Michigan.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Fred Gallasch, Brian Gordon, Pam Hansen, Bill Lamott, Ed Saenz, Mira Stakhiv

Absent: Mike Seltzer

Also Present: Eileen Pulker, Village Clerk
Doreen Martin, Deputy Village Clerk

Motion by Stakhiv, seconded by Saenz to approve the agenda, as presented.

Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Hansen, Lamott, Saenz, Stakhiv

Nays: None

Absent: Seltzer

Motion carried.

III. INTERVIEWING CANDIDATES FOR VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR POSITION AND MAKE A DETERMINATION OF WHICH CANDIDATE TO CHOOSE.

Hansen welcomed Erik Perdonik, candidate for the position of Village Administrator.

She explained that each interview would be a maximum of 45 minutes. The second candidate would be coming in at 7 P.M. Stakhiv provided the Council with some information about the kinds of acceptable questions which could be asked. Both candidates would be asked the same questions.

Hansen requested that Council not deliberate tonight because several things needed to happen: each candidate needed to sign a waiver first so references could be checked. Stakhiv had updated the form with the Village Attorney Staran.

Interview with Erik Perdonik - (6:04 P.M)

He had previous meetings with Hansen and the Personnel Committee of Stakhiv, Saenz, and Seltzer.

Council questioned him about different topics, some of which dealt with: why he was interested in this position?; conflict resolutions; experience in budgeting and grant writing; academic degrees; experience with contractual management agreements; experience in preservation; what process would he use when building relationships with this Council; what was important to him in working with the Village Council; give an example of a difficult Board member he had had to

deal with and how it was resolved; time management; experience with managing a budget, investments, millages, pension, and retirement.

Perdonik asked Council some questions: What were the top three qualities Council was looking for in an Administrator.

Motion by Lamott, seconded by Saenz to recess the session.

Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Hansen, Lamott, Saenz, Stakhiv

Nays: None

Absent: Seltzer

Motion carried.

The meeting recessed at 6:45 P.M.

Interview with Joseph Sobota – (6:50 P.M.)

Hansen called the second interview meeting to order at 6:50 P.M.

Hansen introduced the candidate and mentioned he had had two (2) previous meetings with a combination of Creech, Stakhiv, herself, Saenz, and Seltzer attending. She explained the interview process and that at a later date Council would deliberate and make a decision. Council needed to get a signed waiver from him in order to check his references. She also told the Candidate that at the end of the interview he would have a chance to ask Council questions.

Some of the topics asked by Council were: why he was interested in Franklin and why this particular position; conflict resolutions; experience with historic properties; experience with management of contractual services; BS&A financial experience; experience with grants and grant writing; how he worked with his staff; experience with the handling of different opinions of the Village Council; time management with work and communication with residents.

Since a decision would not be made at this meeting, Sobota inquired if it would be on the agenda of the next Council meeting. Hansen was uncertain. He referenced his personal observation of the workings and interactions of the Council at its last meeting.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Gordon, seconded by Saenz to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Hansen, Lamott, Saenz, Stakhiv

Nays: None

Absent: Seltzer

Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Beke, Recording Secretary

Eileen H. Pulker, Clerk

Pamela Hansen, President