

**PROCEEDINGS OF VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN
VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2015, 7 PM
FRANKLIN VILLAGE HALL – BROUGHTON HOUSE
32325 FRANKLIN ROAD, FRANKLIN, MICHIGAN 48025**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President, Jim Kochensparger, at 7:00 PM at the Franklin Village Hall, Franklin, Michigan.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Fred Gallasch, Pam Hansen, Jim Kochensparger, Tom Morrow, Brian Gordon
(7:01 PM)

Absent: Judy Moenck, Mike Seltzer

Also Present: Jim Creech, Village Administrator
Chief Dan Roberts, Police Department
Chief Tony Averbuch, Fire Department
Eileen Pulker, Village Clerk
Lance Vainik, Treasurer
John Staran, Village Attorney

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Kochensparger requested under **VIII. New Business, B. and C.** be switched. Creech requested that the Johnson Landscaping bill be added to the Bill's List, under **V. Submission of Current Bills.**

Motion by Morrow, seconded by Hansen to adopt the Agenda, as amended.

Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Hansen, Kochensparger, Morrow

Absent: Moenck, Seltzer

Nays: None

Motion carried.

IV. MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting, January 12, 2015

Motion by Morrow, seconded by Gordon to approve the Regular Village Council Meeting Minutes for January 12, 2015 as presented.

Morrow corrected the vote under **V. Submission of Current Bills.** It should reflect that Morrow abstained from voting on the motion.

Motion by Morrow, seconded by Gordon to approve the Regular Village Council Meeting Minutes for January 12, 2015, as amended.

Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Hansen, Kochensparger, Morrow

Absent: Moenck, Seltzer

Nays: None

Motion carried.

V. REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICERS AND AGENTS

Dan Roberts, Police Chief, referred to his written report, provided an overview of the submitted monthly report and highlighted that the crime rate in the Village has been very good for the last few months. Traffic accidents related to the weather have occupied most of the officers' time. He also mentioned that during January all the officers went through a legal updates training class which is required by the State of Michigan, at the Novi Police Department, free of charge, thanks to Chief David Molloy.

Tony Averbuch, Fire Chief, referred to his written submitted report, and requested any comments or questions.

Lance Vainik, Treasurer, referred to his submitted monthly report and noted that the amounts on the Bills List are consistent with normal monthly spending. The expenditures are generally consistent with the new FY2014-15 budget. It includes a large entry for the Curbside Trash Pick-up paid to Waste Management of Michigan. There were some expenses for the Police training classes. The list provided of account balances is as of February 5, 2015 and held at Level One Bank. The Village has sufficient funds to meet its current and anticipated obligations.

VI. SUBMISSION OF CURRENT BILLS

Creech submitted a bill for Johnson Landscaping for snow removal, as previously mentioned, to be added to the bills list.

Motion by Hansen, seconded by Gordon to approve the Bill's List as amended.

Kochensparger inquired about the Great Lakes Internet bill. Creech clarified. Discussion ensued about the internet equipment/service at the Kreger House.

TOTALS

General Administration	\$ 12,423.88
Building	\$ 8,760.65
Insurance	\$ 40,463.27
Legal	\$ 1,135.50
Police	\$ 15,112.26
Pressure Sewer	\$ -
General Debt Service	\$ -
Major Roads	\$ 2,261.25
Local Road	\$ 2,846.25
Rubbish	\$ 17,519.94
Trust & Agency	\$ 600.00
Tax Fund	\$ -
Waste Water	\$ -
ALL FUNDS	<u><u>\$ 101,123.00</u></u>

Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Hansen, Kochensparger,

Absent: Moenck, Seltzer
Abstain: Morrow
Nays: None
Motion carried.

VII. PUBLIC REQUESTS AND COMMENTS

Jeremy Moss, 35th District Michigan State Representative, introduced himself and his capacity as Franklin's representative, committees he serves on, and means of communication with constituents. Gallasch and Hansen asked for a clarification of the Governor's proposed sales tax increase coming up for a vote in May 2015.

Katherine White, MSF Executive Director, recapped recent and future activities – 3 new directors have been elected to 2 year terms, tomorrow (2/10) Main Street Oakland County will be holding a training session at the Kreger House for our Board of Directors, Feb. 20 at 11am Main Street Oakland County and National Main Street will be conducting its annual evaluation for MSF's annual accreditation (Kochensparger and Creech will be involved), MSF's 501c(3) partner organization has officially and legally been renamed "Main Street Franklin Fund" so as to end any confusion. In the coming months there will be a small business Merchant Mixer, the reprinting of the Village Business District map, and working on a new public art project.

VIII. SPECIAL REPORTS

A. President's Report
None

B. Council Report

Gallasch provided a tribute to longtime Franklin residents, Ken and Joan Israel, and mentioned the celebration of their lives that was recently held at the Franklin Community Church.

C. Administrator's Report

Creech introduced Tom Biehl, Village Engineer, Hubbell, Roth & Clark, who addressed the conditions of Franklin Roads, gave a brief history of the road maintenance, and updated the Council on the different proposals for maintenance. He proposed that in March or April 2015 the Village begin with a Pavement Condition Survey of all Village roads utilizing the Pavement Surface Evaluation and Rating (PASER). He also suggested that Franklin collaborate with the City of Southfield in the maintenance of Franklin Road between 13 Mile and Northwestern Hwy.

Discussion ensued regarding road funding. Council members expressed their support. Creech will prepare a formal proposal and submit it to the Council for formal consideration.

Creech noted that he had received complaints about the recent snow removal and garbage pick-up. He also asked for Council comments regarding his proposed change in the format of the budget.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider Civic Event Permit Application for Franklin Community Association's Farmers' Market, May 3, 2015 to December 31, 2015.

#2015- 08 Motion by Gallasch, seconded by Morrow to approve the Civic Event Permit for Franklin Community Association's Farmers' Market, May 3, 2015 to December 31, 2015.

Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Hansen, Kochensparger, Morrow

Absent: Moenck, Seltzer

Nays: None

Motion carried.

C. Public Utilities Tree Trimming Resolution/Discussion.

The Council was provided a copy of the City of Rochester's Resolution concerning this issue. Kochensparger began the discussion by proposing questions the Council might want to consider. Council members expressed his/her opinions on the issue, and directed Administrator Creech to meet with DTE and to confer with other communities for their own resolutions to the matter.

B. Consider Recommendation from the Liquor Committee for Renewal of the Liquor License for the Franklin Grill.

Due to a conflict of interest, President Kochensparger recused himself from the discussion and vacated the dais, with President Pro Tem Pam Hansen presiding over this agenda item and the remainder of the meeting.

#2015-09 Motion by Morrow seconded by Gallasch to approve the renewal of the liquor license for the Franklin Grill as recommended by the Liquor Committee.

Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Hansen, Morrow

Absent: Moenck, Seltzer

Abstain: Kochensparger

Nays: None

Motion carried.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Morrow seconded by Gordon to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: Gallasch, Gordon, Hansen, Morrow

Absent: Kochensparger, Moenck, Seltzer

Nays: None

Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:55P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Beke, Recording Secretary

Eileen H. Pulker, Clerk

James Kochensparger, President