

June 6,2023

The regular meeting of the Franklin Town Board was called to order at 7:32 PM by Supervisor Jeff Taggart. Present were Jeff Taggart, Donnie Smith, Garret Sitts, Dwight Bruno, Heather Ross, Paul Warner and Mark Laing. Also present were Craig Brock, Brian Brock, Gregg Pitula, Lillian de Mauro, Bill Vangorder, Elizabeth DeFalco, Amber Gray, Jamie Archibald, John Mairer, Wendy Barckhaus and Todd Lefever.

The minutes were read from the May 2, 2023 meeting. Don Smith made the motion to approve minutes as read. Dwight Bruno seconded the motion. All present agreed.

Donnie reported for the Kellogg Educational Community Center. They are moving some money into a CD because rates are good. They are moving the dugouts from the baseball fields, because they aren't used much, to other places where they will get more use.

They are hoping to possibly have an open house in the fall. The bathroom is almost done. Ramp is in and they are getting more stone for parking.

Heather had no updates from recreation committee.

Jeff said the planning board had a discussion with a possible landowner about putting in over 30 campsites on Oak Hill Road.

The Town Board feels that the Planning Board should have a say on the rules and regulations for short term rentals since it will involve them.

Mark said the new radios have been ordered. 6 months rental is up with the broom, so Paul will be paying it off.

He said they are working on intersections with town and county roads.

Bill Vangorder presented the proposed insurance for the coming year. The premium for this year will be \$33676.13 which is an increase of \$2184.37. Some of the increase is because of adding new equipment.

There were 3 applicants for the Code Enforcement Officer job. They will be discussed in executive session.

The question was asked if any of the ARPA money has been spent. After a discussion, Jeff said he will ask the county about the ARPA money regulations.

Vouchers 2023-219 – 2023- 262 were presented for payment.

Garret made the motion to go into executive session. Donnie seconded the motion. All present agreed.

The board returned from executive session at 9:36 PM.

Don Smith made the motion to offer CEO job to Gregg Pitula with a 6 month probation period. Heather Ross seconded the motion. Garret Sitts abstained. All present agreed. He has much experience in this field. Jeff will talk to him tomorrow.

With nothing further to come before the board Garret made the motion to adjourn at 9:40 PM. Don Smith seconded the motion. All present agreed.

Respectfully submitted,

Sonja Johns, Town Clerk