

THE REGULAR (YEAR END) TOWN BOARD MEEETING WAS HELD ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE TOWN HALL, 201 THIRD AVE., FRANKFORT, NEW YORK.

Present: Glenn D. Asnoe, Supervisor
Michael Perritano, Councilman
Joseph Tamburro, Councilman
Michael Testa, Councilman
John Wallace, Councilman
Ronald Testa, Highway Superintendent
Chief Matthew Palumbo
Karl Manne, Town Attorney
Absent: Christopher Evans, Councilman

Supervisor Asnoe opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

George Bianchi addressed the board by saying that he wanted Supervisor Asnoe and Superintendent Testa for the years of service to the Town, Supervisor Asnoe for stepping up at one of the worst times in Frankfort, and Superintendent Testa; it is a thankless job no matter what.

NO. 163 APPROVE MEETING MINUTES

MOTION made by Councilman Wallace that the town board resolves to approve the minutes of November 30, 2023, Second by Councilman Perritano. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0 **APPROVED**

FINANCIAL REPORT

Supervisor Asnoe presented the November financial report, balances of the current day deposit accounts and the NYClass report; he stated that it is doing very good.

WEST FRANKFORT WATER—USDA

Supervisor Asnoe reported that he and Councilman Wallace had a discussion with BCA Engineering and still haven't heard anything from USDA regarding extra funding. **TABLED**

NORTH FRANKFORT BRIDGE

Supervisor Asnoe reported that he is waiting for a letter from the Town's grant writer stating he followed the procedures set forth with getting an engineering firm to work with the Town on the grant application, so that the Town can send out request for an engineer for the bridge project. **TABLED**

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK

Supervisor Asnoe reported that he sent back the revisions to CHinurance, when that comes back Councilman Wallace will have to go through it all again and make sure everything is correct, he informed the board that everyone should be going over it to make sure it is correct. **TABLED**

* Chief Palumbo reported that he had an offer on the 2017 Dodge Charger from the Village of Dolgeville in the amount of \$5,000.00. He explained that the only thing that would need to be done to the car was to take the lettering of the car and that the Highway Department will do it.

NO. 164 APPROVE— SALE OF THE 2017 DODGE CHARGE

MOTION made by Councilman Wallace that the town board resolves to sell the 2017 Dodge Charger with 170,000 miles on it to the Village of Dolgeville in the amount of \$5,000.00. Second by Councilman Tamburro. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0 **APPROVED**

NO. 165 TOWN JUSTICE COURT—ACCEPT RESIGNATION (Michelle Fassett)

MOTION made by Councilman Wallace that the town board resolves to accept the resignation from Town Justice, Michelle Fassett, per letter submitted dated December 22, 2023, effective January 15, 2024, and thanked her for her service. Second by Councilman Tamburro. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

NO. 166 APPROVE RESOLUTION CREATING SECOND POLICE SERGEANT POSITION

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe resolves in accordance with Civil Service job description, that the town board approves to create a second position for a Police Sergeant, for the Town of Frankfort. Second by Councilman Tamburro. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0.

APPROVED

NO. 167 APPROVE PROBATIONARY PAY INCREASE—HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe that the town board resolves, per recommendation from Hwy Supt. Testa, to approve probationary pay increase to Joseph Ruggiero to \$21.69 per hour; \$32.54 per hour overtime, effective November 28, 2023. Second by Councilmember Perritano. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

ABSTRACT OF AUDITED VOUCHERS—ABSTRACT 12

NO. 168 **MOTION** made by Councilman Perritano to approve General Abstract #12—Claim No.433-475E, Total \$174,841.06. Second by Councilman Tamburro. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

NO. 169 **MOTION** made by Councilman Wallace to approve TOV Abstract #12—Claim No. 145—159, Total \$30,543.86. Second by Councilman Perritano. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

NO. 170 **MOTION** made by Councilman Tamburro to approve Highway Abstract #12—Claim No. 202—222, Total \$57,957.57. Second by Councilman Perritano. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

NO. 171 **MOTION** made by Councilman Tamburro to approve Highway TOV Abstract #11—Claim No. 30—31, Total \$3,575.00. Second by Councilman Perritano. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

NO. 172 **MOTION** made by Councilman Wallace to approve Special District Abstract #12— Claim No. 99—109—Total \$10,149.39. Second by Councilmembers Perritano & Tamburro. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

NO. 173 **MOTION** made by Councilman Wallace to approve Oakview Cemetery Fund Abstract #7— Claim No.9, Total \$500.00. Second by Councilman Perritano. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

COMMITTEE REPORT / DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Various department reports submitted.

Chief Palumbo submitted his report attached and discussed, he congratulated Supervisor Asnoe and Superintendent Testa on their retirement and thanked them for their service; he thanked the Town Highway for all the help they gave to the police department with various things. Chief Palumbo thanked Supervisor Asnoe for all the work he did for the Town and congratulated him on his fourth retirement.

NO. 174 PURCHASE POLICE VEHICLE 2023 DODGE DURANGO

MOTION made by Councilman Wallace that the town board resolves to purchase a police vehicle, 2023 Dodge Durango, from Main Motorcar under the government price of \$43, 9997.40. A voucher will not be issue or take possession of the vehicle before the first of the year. Second by Councilman Tamburro. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

NO. 175 APPROVE CHIEF OF POLICE TO WORK GRANT FUNDED DETAIL

MOTION made by Councilman Wallace that the town board resolves to approve Chief Palumbo to work DWI grant program on the DWI details for over time; state funded pay rate of \$23.00 Per/Hr. And the Town will be paid back over time. Second by Councilman Tamburro. Upon roll Call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

Chief Palumbo promoted Officer Kenneth Allen to the rank of Civil Service Police Sergeant. Start date January 1, 2024 at the pay rate of \$29.50 Per/Hr. He's new duties will be to oversee patrol operations and will be in charge when Chief of Police is not available.

Hwy Superintendent Testa reported that the new 2024 Volvo was delivered. He wanted to thank everyone in the Town; he enjoyed working for the Town for 12 years.

Supervisor Asnoe presented Superintendent Testa with a plaque for years of service, and thanks him for a job well done.

The Town employees present Supervisor Asnoe with a plaque for his years of service and thanked him for everything he has done for the Town.

Councilman Wallace informed the outgoing Town Supervisor Asnoe and Hwy Superintendent Testa that as a long serving members of the town board and as elected officials they; along with their spouses have life time health, vision and dental insurance paid for by the Town of Frankfort due to their retirement. He also thanked Supervisor Asnoe for all he did for the town; he said he is the first Supervisor that in forty years to leave the town better than when you started.

Supervisor Asnoe stated that appreciated everyone who sat on the board with him, he thanked Superintendent Testa and said the highway department is under appreciated for what they do, that they work hard especially in the winter. And Chief Palumbo that before he took over there was no direction in the police department and that he has turned it around, he also thanked Karl Manne for all he's legal advice. He wanted to thank Georgina Bellino the previous Town Clerk and current Town Clerk Dorri DeRollo for all their hard work.

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe to adjourn. Second by Councilman Wallace. Upon roll call; All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Dorri DeRollo, Town Clerk

NEXT MEETING: January 4, 2024 REORGANIZATION MEETING