

Meeting Minutes Franklintown Borough August 6, 2025

Meeting called to order by Council President M. Adams at 7:00 PM

Elected Officials present: President M. Adams, D. Isenberg, D. Swab, D. Bible, Mayor J. Adams, K. Metzger, G. Franks, and D. Steidler

Borough Staff and Appointed Officials Present: Solicitor D Dethlefs, Engineer P. Brath, Water Operator J. Scrivens, Secretary/Treasurer K. Taylor

Upon opening, D. Bible made a motion to adopt the Borough Resolution 2025-05 appointing the new solicitor, Dethlefs Pykosh & Murphy. G. Franks seconded the motion and it carried.

Visitors: Teresa Adams for Parks and Rec Committee update and Dave Albert from F.O.P.

POLICE AND FIRE REPORTS – Police and Fire Reports in the packet. Brian Rodgers updated on upcoming carnival and events; also, their new fire truck is being delivered after the carnival.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Dave Albert was here to ask permission to place a Swopes recycle bin for scrap metal on the property for a fund raiser for Friends of the Park.

PREVIOUS MONTHS MINUTES. D. Bible made a motion to approve previous months minutes. G. Franks seconded the motion and it carried.

ENGINEER REPORT- P. BRATH

SOLICITOR REPORT – received communication from CGA that the Borough files would be submitted digitally in a couple days.

STREET COMMISSION- D. BIBLE – everything the same.

WATER AUTHORITY REPORT – Report in packet

TREASURER REPORT – K Taylor provided within packets. Gr. Franks made a motion to approve the report subject to audit. D. Bible seconded the motion and it carried.

K. METZGER made a motion to pay the bills. G. Franks seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

PARK COMMITTEE- Teresa Adams updated on the Parks and Recreation and meeting minutes were distributed. York County Planning Commission is coming out in November sometime to plant a liberty tree. The Archie Hess Park Improvement Project is coming along. The concrete pad and walkway were poured around the comfort station. Grading for ADA parking area needs finished.

Old Business- Update on the Bids for Refuse and Recyclable Collection for Franklintown Borough. Following questions from four haulers, a couple Amendments are needed; to define who provides the recycling and trash mobile carts, to lower the umbrella requirement from 5 million to 2 million, and to add an option for the contractor to bid where the borough would be responsible for billing and collections. The Amendments to the Bid Packet were presented to council and D. Bible made a motion to approve the Amendments to the Bids for Refuse and Recyclable Collection for Franklintown Borough packet. D. Isenberg seconded the motion and it carried.

New Business

A motion was made by D. Isenberg to approve Resolution 2025-03 Adopting Police Service Contract 2026-2029. D. Bible seconded the motion and it carried.

A motion was made by D. Bible Resolution 2025-04 Adopting Trash Rate Increase Q2 2025 98.62 per quarter. G. Franks seconded the motion and it carried.

A motion was made by G. Franks to Adopt the Park Ordinance 299-2025. Dan Bible seconded the motion, D. Isenberg opposed. The motion carried.

K. Metzger made a motion to approve the application for payment for Frey Lutz for 40,700, following the repair of the cap and risers. D. Bible seconded the motion. D. Steidler abstained due to his employment with the contractor. The motion carried.

(The application for payment included a change order for \$4,600. The change order was approved at last meeting and paid out prior to this meeting. The balance due remaining of \$40,700 is \$36100 and is approved for payment following repair of the cap and risers)

Tree Trimming discussion about trees that hang out over the road on South Street and other avenues and streets in the borough. Someone needs to ride around and see what is needed. No official action was taken.

Millage rate increase discussion happened on how much to raise the millage rate to cover the budget deficit for 2026. The discussion will be continued next month September 2025.

D. Bible made a motion to adjourn the meeting. G. Franks seconded the motion and it carried. Meeting adjourned 8:07 PM