

Meeting Minutes Franklintown Borough December 3, 2025

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

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

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

Visitors:- Isabelle Harman

POLICE AND FIRE REPORTS: Distributed in packets. Brian Rodgers was present from Wellsville Fire Company. Reported on upcoming events and the Santa Engine scheduled for Dec 13th at the Franklintown Borough Office. Also mentioned the contract payment due of 9500 for 2025 contract was not received 12/2024 and the 2026 contract is due 12/2025.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Isabelle Harman is volunteering to look up grants from public foundations that help municipalities with infrastructure and possibly finding water. She also mentioned a program called Press Forward for media coverage for events- she is going to get more information on this and provide to council.

PREVIOUS MONTHS MINUTES. D. Bible made a motion to accept previous months minutes. D. Swab seconded the motion and it carried.

ENGINEER REPORT - P. BRATH – further agenda items.

SOLICITOR REPORT – D. DETHLEFS. No report.

STREET COMMISSION- Streets are a little icy but other than that okay.

WATER AUTHORITY REPORT – Report in packet

TREASURER REPORT – K Taylor provided November treasurer report within packets.

D. Bible made a motion to approve the November 2025 treasurer report subject to audit. D. Isenberg seconded the motion, and it carried.

K. Metzger made a motion to pay the bills. D. Swab seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

PARK COMMITTEE – meeting minutes were distributed. D. Steidler reported DCNR Extension was approved 12/2026. Distributed flyers .25 per Franklintown Post office box. A question was asked if the budget was increased for the Archie Hess Memorial Park Project, the answer was not yet. Santa Engine event scheduled for December 13th.

Correspondence –

Gibson Thomas Engineering rates will be the same for 2026

NEMA Rate for 2026 \$400

Old Business – Nothing

New Business –

D. Bible made a motion to increase payrate for Snow Plower to \$35.00 for winter 2025-2026. D. Swab seconded the motion. The motion carried.

K. Metzger made a motion to have the speed limit signs installed by Red UP LLC so long as it is under \$1000. D. Isenberg seconded the motion and it carried. M. Adams recused himself due to being related to the owner of Red Up LLC.

D. Bible made a motion to approve the first Wednesday of each month at 7PM to be the 2026 Council Meetings except for January 5th, Monday the Special Reorg meeting at 6:30 PM. D. Swab seconded the motion and it carried.

D. Bible made a motion to make the payment to Waggoner Construction Inc for \$9680, from Gen Fund so long as it's paid back from Parks and Rec when Funds are available. D. Steidler seconded the motion and it carried.

A discussion happened about raising the Parks and Rec Fee for New Construction to \$2200.00 with the Fee Resolution for 2026.

A discussion happened about the Trash Contract and whether or not to lower rates with the new contract. Looking at the cost of the contract, if the contract is kept the same, the rate could stay the same for three years for the residents.

D. Swab made a motion to adjourn the meeting; D. Steidler seconded the motion, and it carried. Meeting adjourned 7:36 PM

NEXT MEETING Special Reorg Meeting January 5, 2026 at 6:30 PM