

TOWN OF FRANKLIN: Town Board Minutes

Date: October 20th, 2025 Call To Order at: 7:00pm by Town Chair

Present: Berent Froiland x Kurt Lucey x Matt Connelly x Hannah Aspenson x Tracy Thelen x

Observers: (2) Ed Fanta, Brody Rudrud

Minutes:

September 2025 minutes were read by Clerk

Motion to stand as read: Matt 2nd to the motion: Kurt Motion carried: x

Treasurer's Report:

September 30, 2025 Book Balance = \$ 5,121.91

Outstanding Checks = \$10,455.31

Bank Balance = \$15,577.22

Checking as of today: \$12,815.87. Money Market acct: \$1017.81 Line of Credit payoff: \$203,882.53

Grader Loan Balance: \$354,775.30 Firehouse Loan Balance: \$275,768.83.

On 10.6.25 we received our WI 4th Quarter Pmt in the amt of \$45,001.64. Hannah also shared the 2025 tax insert w/the board for review.

New online system for tax payments is set up. Just FYI: Payments made via e-check it is \$1.50 fee and if paid with a credit card it is 2.99% fee. This is the cost to the residents when making their payments, not anything the board has to pay.

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Other:

~Driftless Humane Society Animal Control Contract: the board decided not to do anything with it at this time.

~Budget/Special Meeting: date set for Nov 17th @ 7pm with the regular board meeting to immediately follow.

~Patrolmen Update: asked about renting a boom for mowing for maybe late Nov timeframe. Crawford can no longer rent theirs out. They can send and have one of their workers run it for us for a fee, but cant not let other non employees run the equipment. Vernon Co is the same. Simpsons has one to rent, \$125/hr Board asked what cost would be if we "hired" Crawford. Approx a good weeks work. Brody will call both and ask what they would charge vs renting and let Berent know.

Stop sign on Finely Road is needing replaced. Brody will let the County know as that would be county highway issue.

N. Brookville Rd – culverts need some cleaning up so they flow better. Brody will check it out. Will need to do some ditching as well.

~Hannah had a resident ask about property lines and who they would need to talk to to determine ownership lines etc: They will need to contact a land surveyor for that work. She will let the resident know.

~Tracy has a \$50 rebate debit card the Township received from Cenex. What do you want done with it? Board agreed to go ahead and put it towards a utility billing, so Tracy will apply it to VernonCom as it will cover for all of Nov and then a partial Dec.

Public Questions & Concerns:

None.

Bills:

Bills are prepared by clerk & reviewed by the town board.

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Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn meeting: Matt, 2nd by: Kurt Motion carried. Meeting adjourned: 7:52pm