

Village of Franklin
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 1, 2022
7:00 pm

Mayor Paul Turpin called the regular monthly meeting of the Village of Franklin Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, November 1, 2022 in the town hall. Trustees present in Village Hall were Wyatt Smith, Lauren Whalen, Sarah Carter, and Vickie Adkins. Trustees Abby Flynn and Amanda Ahlers were absent.

Treasurer Susan Smith presented the Treasurer's Report for October. Susan discussed each businesses profits & losses, current balances, year-to-date balances and check details. Vickie Adkins made a motion to accept the Treasurers Report for October. Sarah Carter seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Wyatt Smith-yes, Lauren Whalen-yes, Sarah Carter-yes, and Vickie Adkins-yes. The motion was carried. Vickie Adkins made a motion to accept the Bills Paid and to be Paid for October. Lauren Whalen seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Lauren Whalen-yes, Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes and Wyatt Smith-yes. The motion was carried.

Clerk Ashley Turpin presented the trustees with minutes from October. Lauren Whalen made a motion to approve the minutes from October. Vickie Adkins seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes, Wyatt Smith-yes, and Lauren Whalen-yes. The motion was carried.

Committee Reports:

Andy Fairless presented the Utility Supervisor Report. The Corpro contract is renewed annually to continue maintenance on the water tower. The cost will be \$650.00. The inspection on the water tower was done, but the report has not been received yet. They did not find rust, however there is chipped paint. The water tower will need to be touched up within the next 12 months. Benton's and Associates will provide interior paint references to the Village. Due to colder temperatures, the concrete work will be on hold until the spring. Ameren has not called back to finish the light poles for the Christmas lights. Lake Drive is ready to start. Andy and Nick will dig out one section of concrete at a time. They will replace with new concrete due to the patching not holding well. Mayor Turpin and Andy looked over Dahman Road. It may need new concrete in some areas, but they are going to see how the patching does first.

Buildings, Roads, and Drainage – There is nothing new to report from this committee.

Finance/Payroll – There is nothing new to report from this committee.

Insurance – Mayor Turpin presented the insurance quote from ICRMT, which also includes workman's comp. Sarah Carter made a motion to approve the ICRMT premium quote for \$24,580. Wyatt Smith seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Vickie Adkins-yes, Wyatt Smith-yes, Lauren Whalen-yes, and Sarah Carter-yes. The motion was carried.

Personnel – Lauren Whalen made a motion to go into closed session to discuss employee reviews. The board entered into executive session at 7:22 and re-entered into open session at 7:31.

Utility Reconnect – There is nothing new to report from this committee.

Utilities – Mayor Turpin gave a brief update on the latest IMGGA meeting he attended. He also informed the trustees that the transfer rate was increased by 2 cents which will raise the Village of Franklin costs by \$500-\$800 per year.

Old Business:

The board would like to get another bid for the Fire Station driveway and ramps leading into the Village Hall, Transitions Hair Salon, and The Green Wall. Andy has not been able to get a second bid yet.

Andy provided an update in his report about the water tower inspection. He will start to get bids soon to repair the paint chipping inside the tower.

The credit card company needs some documents filled out by Reitha and then Mayor Turpin will send a letter out to the community informing them of the change. It will also be posted to the webpage.

For the Route 104-water project, the Village is still waiting on one easement to be signed. The project is at a standstill until the document is received.

The board discussed a couple of properties that need cleaned up. Mayor Turpin asked for a list of the properties and their addresses so he can send out letters.

The fire station driveway is at a standstill with the sidewalk ramps, until another bid is received.

Mayor Turpin has not received any further information from IMGGA regarding the purchase of additional natural gas for the winter. The cost has fluctuated quite a bit, both ways, but nothing can be locked in at this point. The Village currently purchases 39,000-40,000 dekatherms per year. The contract would lock in rates for an additional 1000 dekatherms per year. The trustees discussed whether to do a five-year contract, or less. Wyatt Smith made a motion to buy 1000 dekatherms for month of January and February, during the years 2023, 2024, and 2025. Sarah Carter seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes, Wyatt Smith-yes, and Lauren Whalen-yes. The motion was carried.

New Business:

Mayor Turpin explained the Corrpro contract to the trustees. Sarah Carter made a motion to accept the Corrpro contract for the Cathodic Protection Corrosion Control System in the amount of \$650.00. Vickie Adkins seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Vickie Adkins-yes, Wyatt Smith-yes, Lauren Whalen-yes, and Sarah Carter-yes. The motion was carried.

The Christmas light contest is coming up in December. Sarah Carter and Vickie Adkins volunteered to judge the lights. They will go on December 21st and 22nd between 6pm and 7pm.

Wyatt Smith made a motion to keep closed session minutes closed. Lauren Whalen seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Wyatt Smith-yes, Lauren Whalen-yes, Sarah Carter-yes, and Vickie Adkins-yes. The motion was carried.

Wyatt Smith made a motion to adjourn. Lauren Whalen seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Lauren Whalen-yes, Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes, and Wyatt Smith-yes. The meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.