

Village of Franklin
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 12, 2025
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, August 12, 2025 in the town hall. Trustees present in Village Hall were Abby Flynn, Craig Miller, Sarah Carter, Vickie Adkins, and Kendra Marcel.

Treasurer Susan Smith presented the Treasurer's Report for July. She presented each of the following: businesses profits & losses, current balances, year-to-date balances, and check details. Abby Flynn made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for July. Kendra Marcel seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Craig Miller-yes, Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes, Kendra Marcel-yes, and Abby Flynn-yes. The motion was carried. Vickie Adkins made a motion to accept the Bills Paid and To Be Paid for July. Craig Miller seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes, Kendra Marcel-yes, Abby Flynn-yes, and Craig Miller-yes. The motion was carried.

Clerk Ashley Turpin presented the meeting minutes from July to the Board of Trustees. Vickie Adkins made a motion to approve the minutes from July. Kendra Marcel seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Vickie Adkins-yes, Kendra Marcel-yes, Abby Flynn-yes, Craig Miller-yes and Sarah Carter-yes. The motion was carried.

Committee Reports:

There is no report from the utility supervisor.

Buildings, Roads, and Drainage – Mayor Turpin discussed the grant that the Franklin Fire Department received and are going to use for a new building. Originally the Village offered them the Quonset Huts and the property they sit on. They would remove the Quonset Huts and rebuild a new station. The Village would then receive the current station. However, the Fire Board came back to Mayor Turpin and said Jason Fuchs offered them a piece of land near his shed off the Franklin-Alexander Road. Mayor Turpin also suggested the Fire Board look at the empty lots the Village owns next to the Village shed on Wyatt Street. The Fire Board was going to look at it. After discussion, the Trustees agree they would prefer that Jason Fuchs give them the land, the Fire Department can give the Village their building and the Village can give Jason the Quonset Huts. Mayor Turpin will reach out to the Fire Board. In addition, Trustee Sarah Carter asked about Dahman Road. Mayor Turpin said Morgan County is coming this week to seal.

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

Insurance – There is nothing new to report from this committee.

Personnel – Abby Flynn made a motion to accept Andy's resignation with regrets. Craig Miller seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Kendra Marcel-yes, Abby Flynn-yes, Craig Miller-yes, Sarah Carter-yes, and Vickie Adkins-yes. The motion was carried. Mayor Turpin said the other utility employee does not want the supervisor position; therefore, the position will be open to the public. Mayor Turpin would like the Board to appoint him as the

Utility Supervisor for now to help Nick with some of the stuff coming up. Nick will be on-call 24/7 until someone is hired. Nick should be compensated for being on-call until the position is filled. Kendra Marcel made a motion to appoint Mayor Paul Turpin as the acting utility supervisor. Abby Flynn seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Abby Flynn-yes, Craig Miller-yes, Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes and Kendra Marcel-yes. The motion was carried.

Utility Reconnect – Trustee Vickie Adkins shared the list of past due amounts. She provided a summary of how many residents were late, when they paid last and the total amount owed to the Village. Vickie recommends several get shut-offs. Mayor Turpin said they are going to notify the residents to let them know they need to pay or their services will be shut-off. The customers will be expected to pay approximately 75% of their bill to avoid being shut-off.

Utilities – There is nothing new to report from this committee.

Old Business:

Trustee Abby Flynn gave the Board examples of the banners and a quote. Sarah Carter made a motion to accept the bid from Display Sales for 4 banners and 2 brackets, costing \$952.00. Craig Miller seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Craig Miller-yes, Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes, Kendra Marcel-yes and Abby Flynn-yes. The motion was carried.

Mayor Turpin has not heard back from Mr. Waggener at Franklin CUSD1 regarding the bollards.

Mayor Turpin read Ordinance 2025-03, amending ordinance 2023-06 for the no parking from the Post Office to the alley, next to the Legion. Abby Flynn made a motion to accept Ordinance 2025-03, amending Ordinance 2023-06, an ordinance designating no parking zones, in front of the post office Monday through Friday between 7am and 7pm, for no longer than 10 minutes. Kendra Marcel seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes, Kendra Marcel-yes, Abby Flynn-yes and Craig Miller-yes. The motion was carried.

New Business:

Heavy trash pick-up will be on hold until the Village hires a utility supervisor.

Mayor Turpin read the resolution amending the capitalization policy. Kendra Marcel made a motion to accept the capitalization policy. Craig Miller seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Vickie Adkins-yes, Kendra Marcel-yes, Abby Flynn-yes, Craig Miller-yes and Sarah Carter-yes.

Mayor Turpin read the letter from Benton Engineering regarding the survey costs. Craig Miller made a motion to accept the bid for \$3,000-\$3,500 from Benton Engineering. Sarah Carter seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Abby Flynn-yes, Craig Miller-yes, Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes and Kendra Marcel-yes. The motion was carried.

MCC's attorney sent a letter to the Village stating they will be paying the invoice in full. They want to continue working on the project for 911 after the invoice is paid. Mayor Turpin will act as the Utility Supervisor and will meet with everyone about the plan to ensure MCC and the Village are on the same page.

Mayor Turpin contacted Jeff Baines, Mayor of Waverly, to ask if his city workers could assist Nick in fixing a collapsed tile in front of Hamilton's. It caused a large hole. Mayor Baines agreed to share services.

The Franklin AM/PM was part of a liquor sting recently. The employee at Franklin AM/PM carded the customer, but did not accurately check the date on the ID. Mayor Turpin met with Nick from the gas station and they said they already took precautionary measures for the future. They changed a setting on the machine so the customers date of birth must be entered into the system to allow the transaction to continue.

Craig Miller made a motion to adjourn. Kendra Marcel seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Kendra Marcel-yes, Abby Flynn-yes, Craig Miller-yes, Sarah Carter-yes and Vickie Adkins-yes. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.