VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEEITNG MINUTES
MAY 12, 2026
6:00 PM

President Paul Turpin called the regular monthly meeting of the Village of Trustees to order at 6:00 pm on May 12, 2026, in the town hall. Trustees present in the Village Hall were Lauren Whalen, Sarah Carter, Vickie Adkins and Kendra Marcel. Craig Miller was absent.

The Clerk presented the resignation of Trustee Abby Flynn. After discussion, a motion was made by Kendra Marcel and seconded by Vickie Adkins to approve the resignation of Trustee Abby Flynn. The voting was as follows: Lauren Whalen-yes, Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes and Kendra Marcel-yes. Motion carried.

Treasurer Susan Smith presented the Treasurer's Report for April, 2026. She presented each of the following: business profits & losses, current balances, year-to-date balances and check details. Sarah Carter made the motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for April, 2026. Kendra Marcel seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Lauren Whalen-yes, Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes and Kendra Marcel-yes. Motion carried.

Vickie Adkins made a motion to accept the Bills Paid and To Be Paid for April, 2026. Kendra Marcel seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Lauren Whalen-yes, Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes and Kendra Marcel-yes. Motion carried.

Becky Dill presented the Board Meeting Minutes from April, 2026, to the Board of Trustees. Vickie Adkins made the motion to accept the April, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes and Kendra Marcel seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Lauren Whalen-yes, Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes and Kendra Marcel-yes. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Building, Roads and Drainage – Nothing new to report.

Finance/Payroll – Nothing new to report.

Insurance – Nothing new to report.

Personnel – **Part-Time Office Help -** President Turpin presented a request to hire Becky Dill for temporary office help. After discussion, a motion as made by Kendra Marcel and seconded by Sarah Carter to hire Becky Dill as part-time office help. The voting was as follows: Kendra Marcel-yes, Lauren Whalen-yes, Sarah Carter-yes and Vickie Adkins-yes. Motion carried.

Utility Reconnect – No new disconnects.

Utilities:

Bulk Water Repair Update and Usage – The company is trying to locate parts but we found out the person the Village was talking to has retired. The question is do we want to keep providing bulk water. A new person from the company is looking at the issues and will get back to us on the status.

OLD BUSINESS:

Slab Jackers – They are to start the first of the week.

Parking on Sidewalks – We do not have an ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS:

Allow Food Truck in Park

President Turpin presented information regarding the allowing of food trucks in the Village Park. After discussion, a motion was made by Lauren Whalen and seconded by Kendra Marcel to allow any food truck that has insurance and is certified by Morgan County, Illinois to park their food truck in the Village Park. The voting was as follows: Lauren Whalen-yes, Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes and Kendra Marcel. Motion carried.

Lease Agreement with the Franklin Lions Club

President Turpin presented to the Board the Lease Agreement with the Lions Club. After discussion, a motion as made by Lauren Whalen and seconded by Kendra Marcel to approve the Lease Agreement with the Lions Club. The voting was as follows: Lauren Whalen-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes, Sarah Carter-yes and Kendra Marcel-yes. Motion carried.

Approve Ordinance for Gas Billing

President Turpin presented **Ordinance 2026-02**, an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2003-01, an Ordinance prescribing rates for gas service, regulating the use of the gas system of the Village, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof. After discussion, a motion was made by Vickie Adkins and seconded by Kendra Marcel to approve Ordinance 2026-03 amending Ordinance No. 2003-1. The voting was as follows:
Lauren Whalen-yes, Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes and Kendra Marcel-yes. Motion carried.

Approve Ordinance for Water Billing

President Turpin presented **Ordinance 2026-03**, and Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2003-2, an Ordinance prescribing rates for water service, regulating the use of the water service of the Village, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof. After discussion, a motion was made by Sarah Carter and seconded by Kendra Marcel to approve Ordinance No. 2026-03, and Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2003-2. The voting was as follows: Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes, Kendra Marcel-yes and Lauren Whalen-yes. Motion carried.

Approve Ordinance for Sewer Billing

President Turpin presented **Ordinance 2026-04**, and an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 08-1, an Ordinance prescribing rates for sewer service, regulating use of the sewer system of the Village, and prescribing penalties for violation thereof. After discussion, a motion was made by Kendra Marcel and seconded by Vickie Adkins to approve the Ordinance No. 2026-04, an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 08-1. The voting was as follows: Kendra Marcel-yes, Lauren Whalen-yes, Sarah Carter-yes and Vickie Adkins-yes. Motion carried.

Approve Resolution to accept Morgan County Hazard Mitigation Plan

President Turpin presented a resolution to accept the Morgan County Hazard Mitigation Plan. After discussion, a motion was made by Lauren Whalen and seconded by Vickie Adkins to approve the Morgan County Hazard Mitigation Plan. The voting was as follows: Lauren Whalen-yes, Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes and Kendra Marcel-yes. Motion carried.

Lions Club Franklin 4th Donation for Entertainment

President Turpin discussed the Lions Club requesting a donation for the kids' entertainment for the 4th of July, 2026. A motion was made by Lauren Whalen and Kendra Marcel to approve a donation of $200 to the Franklin Lions Club for the 4th of July, 2026 kids' entertainment. The voting was as follows: Lauren Whalen-yes, Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes and Kendra Marcel-yes. Motion carried.

Approve PTF Back to School Bash and Parade

President Turpin presented information regarding the PTF Back to School Bash and Parade. After discussion, a motion was made by Kendra Marcel and seconded by Sarah Carter to approve the PTF Back to School Bash and Parade. The voting was as follows: Vickie Adkins-yes, Kendra Marcel-yes, Lauren Whalen-yes and Sarah Carter-yes. Motion carried.

Approve New Computer

President Turpin recommended a new computer was needed for Nick's office at the Village Hall. After discussion, a motion was made by Lauren Whalen and seconded by Kendra Marcel to purchase a new computer for Nick's office at the Village Hall. The voting was as follows: Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes, Kendra Marcel-yes and Lauren Whalen-yes. Motion carried.

Appoint New Trustee

President Turpin reported that with the resignation of Trustee Abby Flynn, a new trustee was needed, and Mike Carter was recommended as the newly appointed trustee. After discussion, a motion was made by Lauren Whalen and seconded by Kendra Marcel to appoint Mike Carter as the newly appointed trustee. The voting was as follows: Vickie Adkins-yes, Kendra Marcel-yes, Lauren Whalen-yes and Sarah Carter-yes. Motion carried.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Kendra Marcel and seconded by Sarah Carter to adjourn the meeting. The voting was as follows: Lauren Whalen-yes, Sarah Carter-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes and Kendra Marcel-yes. Motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:36 pm.