

Village of Franklin
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
July 5, 2022
7:00 pm

Mayor Paul Turpin called the regular monthly meeting of the Village of Franklin Board of Trustees to order at 7:04 pm on Tuesday, July 5, 2022 in the town hall. Trustees present in Village Hall were Abby Flynn, Wyatt Smith, Vickie Adkins, and Amanda Ahlers. Trustees Lauren Anders and Sarah Carter were absent.

Treasurer Susan Smith presented the Treasurer's Report for June. Susan discussed each business profits & losses, current balances, year-to-date balances and check details. Amanda Ahlers made a motion to accept the Treasurers Report for June. Abby Flynn seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Wyatt Smith-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes, Amanda Ahlers-yes and Abby Flynn-yes. The motion was carried. Vickie Adkins made a motion to accept the Bills Paid and to be Paid for June. Amanda Ahlers seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Vickie Adkins-yes, Amanda Ahlers-yes, Abby Flynn-yes, and Wyatt Smith-yes. The motion was carried.

Clerk Ashley Turpin presented the trustees with minutes from June. Vickie Adkins made a motion to approve the minutes from June. Abby Flynn seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Amanda Ahlers-yes, Abby Flynn-yes, Wyatt Smith-yes, and Vickie Adkins-yes. The motion was carried.

Committee Reports:

Andy Fairless presented the Utility Supervisor Report. Sunley Roofing's bid came in at \$18,200 for ½ of the roof and removal of 2 layers. Andy and Nick finished the sidewalk projects. They will begin working on removing the trailer on 104 next week. Vandevanter has increased their annual inspection fees. Each year they inspect 13 stations, 4 of which have 2 pumps and 9 that have 1 pump. The inspection typically costs around \$4,000 and this year they quoted \$11,149.00. If Vandevanter only inspects the 4 main stations, the bid is \$4,065. A pump at the spray field needs looked at and Lift Station 2's generator needs inspected which would be additional costs. The new camera was put up, but not fully installed. They are waiting on a part to complete installation.

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 – There is nothing new to report from this committee.

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

Utility Reconnect – Abby Flynn reported several residents spoke with Reitha to set up payment plans or paid their bill.

Utilities – The Trustees discussed the increased proposal from Vandevanter for the annual inspection and agree it is not something the Village can continue to afford. Wyatt Smith made a motion to accept the Vandevanter annual inspection proposal for the 4 lift stations for \$4,065.00.

Vickie Adkins seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Abby Flynn-yes, Wyatt Smith-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes, and Amanda Ahlers-yes. The motion was carried.

In addition, Mayor Turpin discussed the status of the sewer loan. Currently customers pay \$2.67 on their sewer bills to assist with the loan. In December, the Village will receive another payment from the windmills. The payment could be used to pay off the remaining balance for the sewer loan, which would also allow for the \$2.67 to be taken off of customers bills. The discussion will be resumed in December.

Old Business:

Andy said they'll begin working on cleaning up the burned trailer next week. Mayor Turpin will ask them to also remove the trees next to the sidewalk.

Trustees agree to have Slabjackers come back next year so they can budget for them to do a set amount of sidewalk repairs.

Amanda Ahlers made a motion to accept the bid of \$18,200, with prevailing wages, from Sunley Roofing. Wyatt Smith seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Wyatt Smith-yes, Vickie Adkins-yes, Amanda Ahlers-yes, and Abby Flynn-yes. The motion was carried.

Mayor Turpin found that in another town, the town partnered with the local company to host the Queen of Hearts. By doing so, it allowed them to start with a higher amount to help draw people in. Drawing people in seems to be a hinderance for the local Queen of Hearts. Mayor Turpin asked the trustees to consider whether they think it would be a good idea for the Village to get involved. He also discussed the opportunity with the Lion's Club.

New Business:

The trustees would want to sell the mower, truck and benches separately. The attorney will type up separate bids for each and they'll be advertised in the paper separately also.

Abby Flynn made a motion to move the ARPA/SLFRF money from municipal to water. Vickie Adkins seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Vickie Adkins-yes, Amanda Ahlers-yes, Abby Flynn-yes, and Wyatt Smith-yes. The motion was carried.

In addition, Mayor Turpin said he spoke with the auditors regarding some things that may need changed. We currently have a policy that employees can take comp time. Some employees prefer the overtime pay, as others prefer the extra time off instead of overtime pay. The auditors suggested that for any employee who wants to take comp time, they need a separate time card to stamp their time in and time out for those extra hours worked to be sure they are fairly compensated. It will be discussed further in August.

Wyatt Smith made a motion to adjourn. Amanda Ahlers seconded the motion. The voting was as follows: Ahlers-yes, Abby Flynn-yes, Wyatt Smith-yes, and Vickie Adkins-yes. The meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.