

MEETING MINUTES
TOWN OF FRANKLIN – JACKSON COUNTY
 Regular Town Board Meeting
 Wednesday, December 13, 2023 @ 7:00 PM
 Franklin Town Hall

- **Call to order**
 - Meeting called to order on Wednesday December 13, 2023 @ 7:00 PM CST. Present were Town Board Members Chairman Merlin Fredrickson, Supervisor Tom Clark, Treasurer Julie Brown, Clerk Bree Lien, Maintenance Person Dwight Tjerstad, and four townspeople.
- **Approve the Agenda**
 - **Motion** made to approve the agenda as printed, with exception to the Pledge of Allegiance as this was recited during previous special meeting: Dave Brown. Second: Tom Clark. **Motion Carried.**
- **Review/Approve Minutes**
 - November 8, 2023 Regular Town Board Meeting: **Motion** made to approve minutes as printed: Dave Brown. Second: Tom Clark. **Motion Carried.**
- **Treasurer's Financial Report**
 - **Motion** made to accept financial report as printed with amended payables included in Treasurers Report: Dave Brown. Second. Tom Clark. **Motion Carried.**
- **Approve Bills to Pay & Monthly Payables Report**
 - December 13, 2023: **Motion** made to pay monthly payables as printed: Tom Clark. Second: Dave Brown. **Motion Carried.**
- **Clerk Report/Correspondence**
 - Brambleberry liquor license has been surrendered due to relocation out of the township
 - Discussion regarding purchase of new lock box due to the current one leaking water and not protecting the documents inside.
- **Building Permits**
- **Zoning**
 - Chairman attended the Town Association meeting which focused on zoning and recycling.
- **Disaster Damage Aids Program**
 - Need to obtain cost of the culvert and labor by Nelson. Estimated costs to be provided to Emergency Management and Dwight will return call to county regarding next steps.
- **Maintenance Updates**
 - Dwight Tjerstad Report- working on the trucks, no big projects in the shop with equipment. Busse road rip rap completed. Advised the culvert by Blanchard that washed was the result of the telephone company putting their cord and trenching through the culvert. This caused the washout, however; it is partially rusted on the bottom. Bucholz bridge will be done as of tomorrow. Culvert on Lien Road discussed as bottom is rusting out. Not an emergency, but in the future something to replace. Ordered chains for the new truck.
- **Road & Equipment Report**
 - Truck Sale Discussion- Dodge truck is for sale and a few people have indicated interests. No price set and discussion regarding selling by bid. Discussed putting a price or best offer. One person stopped and talked with Dwight and was interested and discussed around \$13,000 price point. Plow and sander will be sold with the truck. Dwight will advertise on Facebook marketplace. **Motion** made for Dwight to advertise on Facebook Marketplace for bids with a deadline of no later than January 8, 2024. Tom Clark. Second: Dave Brown. **Motion Carried.**
- **Citizen Concerns**
 - Citizen made complaint regarding condition of Lien Road.
 - Gary Lien bicycle missing from town hall, and it may have been taken by a neighbor kid. Unsure if this has been returned yet or not. Discussed township property and trespassing.
 - Discussion regarding property on Claire Road with the large amount of clutter. The town board will discuss this concern with property owner.
- **Adjourn**
 - **Motion** was made to adjourn: Dave Brown. Second: Tom Clark. **Motion Carried**