

MEETING MINUTES
TOWN OF FRANKLIN – JACKSON COUNTY
 Regular Town Board Meeting
 Wednesday, October 12, 2022 @ 7:00 PM
 Franklin Town Hall

- **Call to order**
 - Meeting called to order on Wednesday, October 12, 2022 @ 7:00PM CST. Present were Town Board Members Chairman Merlin Fredrickson, Supervisor Dave Brown, Supervisor Tom Clark, Treasurer Julie Brown, Clerk Bree Lien, Maintenance Person Dwight Tjerstad and eight townspeople.
- **Approve the Agenda**
 - **Motion** made to approve the agenda as printed: Dave Brown. Second: Tom Clark. **Motion Carried.**
- **Review/Approve Minutes**
 - September 14, 2022 Regular Town Board Meeting: **Motion** made to approve minutes as printed with correction to date of payables: Tom Clark. Second: Dave Brown. **Motion Carried.**
- **Treasurer's Financial Report**
 - **Motion** made to accept financial report as printed with payables included in Treasurers Report: Tom Clark. Second: Dave Brown. **Motion Carried.**
- **Approve Bills to Pay & Monthly Payables Report**
 - October 12, 2022: **Motion** made to pay monthly payables as printed: Dave Brown. Second: Tom Clark. **Motion Carried.**
- **Clerk Report/Correspondence**
 - Budget Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 19 at 7:00 PM
 - Election 11/8/2022
 - Jackson County Recycling- cardboard recycling no longer being picked up by the county as of 10/28/2022. Discussed alternatives suggested by Jackson County including bringing placing cardboard at bottom of recycling bin. Town discussed placing an additional dumpster for cardboard only. Modern Disposal currently picks up recyclable items when dumpster gets full. Supervisor Tom Clark to contact Modern Disposal to run this by them and confirm they can collect the cardboard in addition to regular recycling.
- **Building Permits**
 - Chris Borntrager- Request to build 40x104' barn to house cattle and 30x40' shed at property on Steine Road. Land use permit provided. Payment not received. **Motion** to approve building permit contingent upon receipt of applicable payment: Tom Clark. Second: Merlin Fredrickson. **Motion Carried.**
 - Jacob Johnson- Request to build a shed, size unknown. No land use permit provided. **Motion** made to approve building permit contingent upon receipt of land use permit: Tom Clark. Second: Dave Brown. **Motion Carried.**
 - Dave Stutzman for Nate Tenneson- Request to build a house and shop. No land use permit provided but in process with Jackson County Zoning per Stutzman. **Motion** made to approve building permit contingent upon receipt of land use permit: Tom Clark. Second: Dave Brown. **Motion Carried.**
- **Zoning**
 - Zone Change Petition #2022-45 for Nathan Tenneson- Request to change 5 acres from A-1 (Agriculture) District to R-2 (Residential) District for construction of single-family home. **Motion** made to support Zone Change Petition: Tom Clark. Second: Dave Brown. **Motion Carried.**
 - Zone Change Petition #2022-43 for Robert Brague- Request to change 4 acres of the A-2 (Forestry and Limited Agriculture) to the R-2 (Residential) District for construction of shed-house. **Motion** made to support Zone Change Petition: Tom Clark. Second: Dave Brown. **Motion Carried.**
- **Jackson County Comprehensive Plan Update**
 - Request by Jackson County to provide any updates/feedback regarding any changes to the current "Future Land Use" map provided to be sent to the Zoning Department to bring forward to the Comprehensive Planning Steering Committee. Upon review of the map, no identifiable changes needed at this time.
- **Maintenance Update**
 - Gravel placed on Lien Road and did some work on Roseland Road to make it more passable. Added some gravel to Steine Road and crack sealing project started on Tuesday.
- **Road & Equipment Report**
 - Needing to repair springs on truck before snowfall.
 - Loader was having issues with the bucket and has been able to get this repaired. Will be getting parts to fix this issue.
 - Has not looked into tire pricing due to working on other equipment.
- **Citizen Concerns**
 - Donald Vanderhoff present as he continues to seek approval to build on his property in Wortman Road. Provided documentation regarding Jackson County ordinance change and when he purchased the property. Town of Franklin ordinance (adopted in 2003) predated Jackson County ordinance and requires 4 acres to build or approval. Adjacent property owners present and are opposed to Mr. Vanderhoff's request to build on this property. Variances can be approved, however; adjacent landowners must approve or be in favor. Town Board suggested the parties involved discuss to find a resolution to this. Suggestion to discuss with another landowner regarding "trading" land to build but would need to discuss with that landowner. Grandfather clause discussed but still not applicable in this situation.
 - Merlin discussed Melrose Fire Department Meeting, will be purchasing a new truck in 2023. Town of Franklin's share for the purchase of new truck is \$80,296.54.
 - Mark Rausch requested wage increase if he is assisting on Saturday recycling
 - Discussed neighbor kid being in the recycling receptacle on a Saturday and the safety concern of this.
- **Adjourn**
 - **Motion** was made to adjourn: Tom Clark. Second: Dave Brown. **Motion Carried**