

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING  
VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN GROVE  
LEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

JUNE 10, 2024 MINUTES APPROVE JULY 8, 2024

Village Hall, 105 E. South Street, Franklin Grove, Lee County, Illinois, was called to order by President David Atkinson at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Trustees Shaun Thompson, John Nicholson, Nick Sprague, Amanda Lanning, Heather Grove, Paul Erisman, Clerk Stephanie Sprague, President David Atkinson

**Absent:** Attorney Dana Considine

**MINUTES**

**Motion** made by H. Grove, seconded by A. Lanning to approve the meeting minutes of May 13, 2024. Passed: 6/0

**VISITORS**

Scott Spangler addressed the poison hemlock at Atlasta Park. President Atkinson recommended we hire someone to take care of it.

Marilyn Spangler stated due to a funeral the village work day has been rescheduled for June 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am.

The Park Program will run from July 16 – August 1<sup>st</sup> 9:00am to noon.

**VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT**

**Motion** made by J. Nicholson, seconded by H. Grove to pay bills and late bills and future bill. Passed: 6/0

**LEGAL ISSUES**  
(Attorney Considine)

None

**GENERAL ISSUES**

**Motion** made by A. Lanning, seconded by N. Sprague to approve the Final Reading of Appropriation Ordinance 790-24. Passed: 6/0

**Motion** made by J. Nicholson, seconded by S. Thompson to change the polling location from village hall to Atlasta Park Community Building. Passed: 6/0

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**STREETS & ALLEYS**  
(N. Sprague Chairman)

**Motion** made by N. Sprague, seconded by H. Grove to approve the bid for walking path 10' wide, 850' long from Martin \$14,720. Passed: 6/0

**Motion** made by H. Grove, seconded by P. Erisman to approve street repairs by the bridge and end of State St by the railroad tracks for \$7,600 from Martin & Co.. Passed: 6/0

**Motion** made by N. Sprague, seconded by P. Erisman to hire a part-time employee, starting pay at \$16.50 per hour. Passed: 6/0

### **WATER & SEWER**

(A. Lanning Chairman)

Trustee Lanning advised the board there was another main break on Rt 38 in the same location as previous breaks.

Trustee Lanning provided the board with new sewer plant estimates.

Trustee Lanning recommended we consider a rate increase for water & sewer.

### **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

(J. Nicholson Chairman)

Trustee Nicholson will be ordering new lids for the trash cans downtown.

Trustee Nicholson has zoning recommendations from the zoning board for the Air BnB.

### **PROPERTIES**

(P. Erisman Chairman)

Trustee Erisman advised there is a recall on the police car. Will get recall fixed and determine what to do with it.

### **FINANCE AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE**

(S. Thompson Chairman)

Trustee Thompson suggested the fire hydrants get repainted. Scott Spangler recommended using Impact Program or Silver Cord volunteers. Would be nice to get the well house painted as well.

### **TOURISM**

(H. Grove Chairman)

Festival plans are underway - flyers should be ready end of next week. Tree trimming for semis may need to be done.

### **HISTORIC PRESERVATION/EARLY WARNING**

None

**Motion** made by J. Nicholson, seconded A. Lanning to go into Executive Session at 8:43pm to discuss Business Matters in accordance with 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5). Passed: 6/0

**Motion** made by J. Nicholson, seconded by P. Erisman to come out of Executive Session at 8:52pm. Passed: 6/0

As no further business was brought before the board, a **motion** to adjourn was made by A. Lanning, seconded by H. Grove and carried by unanimous vote at 8:53p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie M. Sprague  
Village Clerk