

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

February 9, 2025 MINUTES APPROVED January 12, 2025

On February 9, 2025 the Regular meeting of the Village of Franklin Grove, held at the Village Hall, 105 E. South Street, Franklin Grove, Lee County, Illinois, was called to order by President Eric Grendahl at 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Trustees Scott Spangler, John Nicolson, Susan Murphy, Kristy Murphy, Mark Delhotal, Mitch Reuter, President Eric Grendahl, and Clerk Jessica Ford.

Absent: Attorney Considine

MINUTES

Motion made by J. Nicholson, seconded by M. Delhotal to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 12, 2025, with approved amendment to include ordinance for Executive Meeting. Passed: 6/0

RECOGNITION OF VISITOR'S

Marilyn Spangler questioned where the parking lot lights were going to be at the park, and when they would be going in.

President Grendahl stated he would check with the contractor to get those answers.

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT

NONE

BILLS & LATE BILLS

Motion made by M. Delhotal seconded by K. Murphy to pay bills, late bills and make necessary transfers. Passed: 6/0

POLICE REPORT

None.

LEGAL ISSUES
(Attorney D. Considine)

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

STREETS & ALLEYS
(M. Delhotal, Chairman)

Trustee M. Delhotal stated things are going well. Will be working on manholes when weather gets nicer.

IDot wants a pine tree removed on Elm and 3-4 trees removed at State and Rt 38.

WATER & SEWER
(K. Murphy, Chairman)

Trustee K. Murphy stated we are still waiting on the new pump. Had to replace the heater in wellhouse. Still getting complaints about water color. New phosphates may cause color to get worse before better. Woman from EPA will be here to get water samples on Feb 17th.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
(J. Nicolson, Chairman)

Trustee J. Nicholson stated that the Dollar General appears to be going well. ComEd is waiting for a transformer to get power going.

PROPERTIES
(S. Murphy, Chairman)

None.

FINANCE AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE
(S. Murphy, Chairman)

None.

TOURISM

(S. Spangler, Chairman)

Trustee S. Spangler is working on the website. Awaiting information from businesses. Adding history information with pictures. Tourism page looks really good. Almost 400 students are signed up for Friday during the reenactment in May. Will have vendors and activities going on Saturday and Sunday. Currently searching for a Harvest Fest Chairperson. Looking for volunteers as well. Do not currently have enough parade participants for this year. May have to forego parade and work on it for next year.

GENERAL ISSUES

President Grendahl asked for a vote to approve change in health insurance premium reimbursement up to \$750 per month for full time employees.

Motion made by M. Delhotal to approve, seconded by M. Reuter. Passed: 6/0

President Grendahl asked for a vote to approve change to maternity/paternity leave for Village employees to 3 weeks paid maternity leave and 2 weeks paid paternity leave. Employees may use additional PTO if additional time is desired.

Motion made by M. Delhotal to approve change, seconded by K. Murphy. Passed: 6/0

As no further business was brought before the board, a **motion** to adjourn was made by M. Delhotal, seconded by K. Murphy and carried by unanimous vote at 7:29pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Ford
Village Clerk