

March 18, 2024 MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING FOR TOWN OF FRANKLIN

The March monthly meeting for the Town of Franklin was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Wesely following the Pledge of Allegiance.

Officers present: Dave Wesely, Lori Kleiman, Katie Duckart, Sandy Smidle & Suzi Sevcik.

Supervisor Duckart made a motion to approve the agenda, Supervisor Kleiman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Wesely made a motion to accept the minutes from the February Town Board meeting. Supervisor Duckart seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer Sandy Smidle presented the Treasurer's Report, which shows a balance of \$356,251.96. Supervisor Kleiman made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, Supervisor Duckart seconded the motion, motion carried.

Zoning administrator Suzi Sevcik noted there were 3 building permits issued in March, WPS ROW Permit for Sleepy Hollow, Shed construction on Knutson and a new house on Cty AB.

First Responder Suzi Sevcik reported that there were two calls last month & our group raised \$417 providing food for the Farm Toy & Craft Show at the Ag Heritage Farm on Feb 18th. We also received a \$100 donation from VFW Ralph Perry Post 3392.

In matters from Visitors, Collen O'Brien inquired about posting the town hall for no weapons during the election. Chairman Wesely explained that he felt we had a good plan in place this year to deal with any disturbances.

Shaun Wendt was present and said he'd been asked about when Collegiate Road would be redone. It is on the list to be evaluated this year.

The Planning Commission brought a proposed amendment to the A3 district in Chapter 10 of the Towns Code of Ordinances. The proposed amendment reads:

Amend the text to read.... "There shall be no further division of A-3 parcels after the effective date (August 13, 2007) of adoption or amendment of this ordinance and no additional A3 parcels may be created out of an existing A3 parcel.

If the A-3 parcel meets criteria in Chapter 8 (Land Use) of the Towns Comprehensive Plan the Planning Commission may recommend and the Town Board approve Land Divisions and Zoning Map Amendments in those parcels.

Reference to section titled "Agriculture" and section titled "Identified Smart Growth Areas" in the Town's 20 Year Comprehensive Plan

No action could be taken, but it will be added to a Public Hearing on April 8th, at 6:30pm.

Road work was discussed next. In April, a date will be set for the town board to drive the 51 miles of town roads to determine the priority of fixing them. It was also discussed about hiring the Highway Dept to fill Pot holes, more information will be forthcoming.

Ditch cutting will be on the April Agenda to accept Proposals. Shaun Wendt noted that he has a couple of townships that sign 3 year agreements and will be proposing one this year.

Tisch Mills Fire Department agreement was presented. It was tabled to next month as we didn't have Denmark Fire Department's numbers.

There will be the Public Test of the election equipment on March 26th at 1pm. Election is April 2, 2024.

- Annual Meeting will be April 9th at 7pm.
- Open Book will be April 11, 2024 - 5-7pm at the Franklin Town Hall.
- Board of Review will be May 1, 2024 – 6-8pm at the Franklin Town Hall.

Town Disbursements were discussed, approved and paid.

Our next monthly meeting will be April 8, at the Franklin Town Hall at 7pm

There being no further discussion, the Town Board meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzi Sevcik Town Clerk