
**Franklin Selectboard Meeting
September 15th, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m.
Town Clerks Office/Zoom hybrid**

Members Present: Dave Bennion, Jay Hartman, Justin Rainville, Michael Grant, Brooks Sturtevant

Guest: Jeremy Barnum, Bryce Bacheldar

Virtual: Luke Slomba, Jordan Bushey- Asst Town Clerk

Call to order:

At 6:10 pm Dave Bennion called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Agenda Amendments: Add Franklin County Sheriff's report

Public comment period: None

Town Plan review/adoption-

- Bryce- the Planning commission needs the Selectboard to approve the plan, so it can officially be adopted.
- Were there any changes since the PC hearing? Luke S made two minor changes- added wording for future town buildings to consider energy efficient options. Page 19- housing targets section from NRPC.
- Justin/Brooks made a motion to approve the Town Plan as it has been presented. All members voted in favor; motion passed 5-0.

Highway Dept:

- **Maintenance report review- roads/equipment-** At the Special Town Meeting, there were questions about the equipment maintenance; is it being tracked? Jeremy has been keeping a log, for things like oil changes. He will make a log that will be available to the public upon request, and will add more info to it.
- Truck oil changes are recommended to be done at 10,000. Will need to stay on top of that timeline.
- Would undercoating the new truck be worth it? Possibly, could look into it.
- The new truck is built, just waiting on a body. Hopefully, Jeremy will be able to use it for the upcoming winter.
- The Highway job posting should be posted in more places, such as Indeed. Jordan will look into posting it elsewhere.
- If it's still available, Jeremy would like to go with the used VENTRAC that was quoted. Jordan will send the info to the board.
- Since Jeremy is the only crew member right now, (potentially for the winter) the board/Jeremy could talk to neighboring towns to see if we could work out an agreement with winter plowing. Something that could benefit both Towns?

Member concerns/Other business:

Board reviewed the Sheriff's report. There was more activity in August, compared to July.

At the next meeting, Brooks would like to add youth representative discussion to the agenda.

Adjournment:

- Brooks/Justin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:46pm.

Next meeting will be on September 24th, 2025 @ 6:00 pm at the Town Office and virtual.

Respectfully submitted,
Jordan Bushey, Assistant Town Clerk
September 20th, 2025

These minutes are not official until approved at the next regular Selectboard meeting.

These minutes were approved at the regular Selectboard meeting on September 24, 2025.