

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP YORK COUNTY PA
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS (BOS)
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 11, 2026 - 6:00 PM**

(X) Chair Mark Wenrich (X) Vice Chair Dave Buckwash (X) Supvr. Duane Anthony
(X) Supvr. Thomas E. Keefer Jr. (X) Supvr. Stuart Keckler
(X) Solicitor Bret Shaffer (X) Secretary Lyndsey Gibb (X) Engineer Phil Brath
(X) ZO Wayne Smith (X) Treasurer/HR Administrator Pam Williams
(X) Marie Wilcox

Call to Order –February 11, 2026, Franklin Township BOS Meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm by Mark. The meeting was held in person at 150 Century Lane, Dillsburg, PA. Visitors in attendance are listed on the meeting sign-in sheet.

Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer – Pledge and prayer led by Mark.

Secretary Lyndsey Gibb took the Oath of Office.

Police – Chief Lash reviewed the submitted report in the packet as well as provided department updates.

Public Comment – Residents Stuart Barlow and Jonathan Frazier expressed concern with their mailboxes being taken down in the last snow storm. They were informed that unless a township plow physically hits the mailbox the township has no control over the situation.

A representative from the YCSPCA spoke before the board in hopes to encourage them to consider signing the agreement with York County SPCA. He better explained how their program works as well as the changes this year that have been made because of municipal feedback. No decisions were made on this matter; the board would like to do further investigation.

CEO/ZO – Wayne Smith was present to give his report that is included in the meeting packet.

Engineer – Phil Brath provided a written report that is part of the meeting packet.

- Data Center Ordinance- Phil Brath began a brief review of the Data Center Ordinance Draft and then it was decided to table it for now and hold a workshop dedicated to reviewing the ordinance on February 25th, 2026 at 6pm.
- Subdivision/ Land Development- Dan Thorton and Phil Garland with Lexington fields were present looking for guidance on submitting the HOP permits. A letter was sent to the township that they were in violation of “acting in good faith” upon a past agreement. Supervisor Mark Wenrich felt this was unfair as the township has only tried to do their best to work with them on this project. Phil Brath expressed a few issues regarding stormwater and a pipe that needs added to the HOP Plan being submitted. Once this is fixed Phil was given permission to write the Storm Water Consistency Letter in which the township HOP Permit can be

submitted. A motion was made by Dave to authorize the township engineer to act on behalf of the township to submit the HOP permit for Bypass Road Signage upon completion of all other required documents. Second by Duane, motion passed. Concerned residents Robin Bryce, Sherri Mason, and Robert McDermmit also spoke with concerns of this project. A few of those being safety concerns with the turning lane as well as using Bypass Road. Sherri Mason shared concerns with the project affecting her home business. Other concerns were raised with traffic, noise, and trash. Robert McDermitt expressed concern with rainwater and the states right of way. A more detailed description of the turning lane and where it will begin and end was given to the residents from Dan Thorton. In relation to stormwater, it was made clear by the Board of Supervisors that Lexington is responsible for their water runoff in their Stormwater Management Plan.

- Water Street Permit- The concern of when the permit expires was questioned as the time window does not pause while the township is in litigation. This will be further discussed in the Executive Session at the end of the meeting.

Reports –

Roadmaster – A motion was made by Mark to approve the sale of the Kubota Mower for the highest bid of \$5,905 on Municibid. Second by Tom, motion passed.

BCO – No report was provided

Fire – Report was provided in the packet.

EMA –Laurin Flemming was present to give an oral report. Laurin Reminded the Board of the September 12th practice exercise being held at the township.

DAA – Calvin Hipp was present to give his report as well as any updates. Sheldon Williams retired and Gracy Murphy will be the new General Manager starting March 3, 2026.

EMS – No Report was Given

Parks & Rec – No Update

Approval of Minutes –

- A motion was made by Dave to approve November 3rd, 2025, Budget Meeting minutes. Second by Mark. As part of the discussion a motion was made by Mark to approve the 235k paving bid budget from Capitol Hill Road to Franklin Church Road in 2026. Duane Second, motion passed. The motion also passed to approve the minutes.
- A motion was made by Dave to approve January 14, 2026, Regular Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes. Second by Tom. No discussion, motion passed.

Approval & Payment of Bills – A motion was made by Mark to approve and pay the bills. Second by Dave, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – A motion was made by Mark to accept the Treasurer's Report, second by Dave. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Memo –

- Pam shared information about a USDA Rural Development Community Facilities Direct Loan and Grant program that after discussion was decided not to be looked into by the Board of Supervisors.
- Pam shared that a CD had matured as well as that we moved into another CD at F&M bank at the interest rate of 2.75% for 4 years.
- The financial audit was conducted but no final report was generated.

Solicitor –

- A motion was made by Mark to allow Dave and Tom to sign the mediation report at the mediation meeting for Water Street. Second by Stuart, motion passed.
- The resolution for the New Employee Handbook is being tabled.

New Business –

- Rebecca Brown with the Boys Volleyball Booster was present regarding park rental questions to host the Polar Smash Tournament. They are looking at holding their tournament at Century Lane Park and wanted to confirm that could happen while suiting other sport schedules the same day. Prior to the meeting it was confirmed that Baseball was only using the back field so that should not be a conflict. The Board does not have an issue with them booking both Saturday and Sunday as a rain date and should they not need the rain date they will be refunded. A plan was made for Rebecca to find out how much space they need for their nets and will be in touch with the secretary to finalize reservations.
- CUH 2026-3 was scheduled for March 11, 2026 at 5:30 pm.
- It was discussed whether the board would like the secretary to type minutes for Conditional Use Hearing Minutes. It was decided to have the secretary type a very brief one-page summary of the hearing including the decision.
- The topic of Electronic Signatures was brought up and the Board of Supervisors were in favor. Bret will prepare a Resolution to approve this officially at next months meeting.
- A Declaration of Disaster Emergency was approved by emergency vote on January 23, 2026 in preparation for a snow storm.
- It was confirmed that the trash contract with Republic Services expires in June of 2027. It is up for discussion whether or not the township can opt out of trash service due to our township population requiring us to offer recycling services. This will be looked into further. Concerns with the price increase as well as service options going forward were discussed should we choose to stay in the trash business. This topic is being tabled until next month.
- Ordinance 1-1966 states a Planning Commission term is 5 Years. The State Municipal Code States that a term is 4 years. It was discussed and decided that the State code over rules the township Ordinance. The township will now go off the 4-year term lengths.

Old Business –

- New Building Update- Cory Shover from COR Construction spoke with the Board regarding the possibility of their company being the General Manager for the new township building project. He plans to put together a proposal and attend the workshop on February 25th to speak more about this with estimates.
- The Office Staff have a meeting scheduled with Jason Stamm regarding updating our website.
- Pam and Wayne were having previous computer issues which are now taken care of. No new computers are necessary at this time.
- Dave made a motion to authorize the purchase of any and all AED supplies to keep the machine in the office in compliance. Second by Duane, motion passed.
- Kenneth DeShong- A township resident wrote to the Board of Supervisors expressing his interest in serving on the Planning Commission. The board has requested to ask him to attend before one of the next meetings for a brief introduction.

Correspondence –There was none

Executive Session – An Executive Session was called at 8:46 pm prior to adjournment, but no decisions were made during the session.

Adjournment – A motion was made by Mark at 8:46 pm to adjourn the meeting, second by Duane. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Lyndsey Gibb
Lyndsey Gibb, Secretary
Franklin Township