

TOWN OF FRANKFORT

June 9, 2026 Minutes-Approve at July 14, 2026 meeting

The special hearing for liquor licensing was called to order by Chair Brad Anderson at 6:30 pm. Roll call: Brad Anderson, Kurt Manore, Joshua Manore, Donna Juleff. In attendance; Don Gish, Bryce Black, Sally Farrar, Tom Winger and Randy Richardson. Via Zoom: Jenny Jahnke, Carol Carr, Ann Dumas and Craig Bowman.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion made by Donna Juleff. Seconded by Joshua Manore to renew Twisted Sisters Saloon Liquor license-Class B. and Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage licenses. Approved unanimously by a voice vote of the board.

Motion made by Donna Juleff. Seconded by Joshua Manore to renew bartending licenses for the following people: Abigail Bignell, Richard Bignell, Cindee Dillinger, April Glaica Ricafrente, Ken Snow and Jennifer Unser. Approved unanimously by a voice vote of the board.

Motion made by Donna Juleff. Seconded by Joshua Manore to renew Cigarette and Tobacco Sales License for Twisted Sisters Saloon LLC. Approved unanimously by a voice vote.

Special meeting adjourned at 6:37 p

Board Meeting Agenda

Board meeting commenced immediately following the special hearing.

May Minutes were accepted as presented with the corrections of two names.

Financial Report was accepted as presented. The 2 savings bonds from Porcupine Cemetery will take up to 5 months for the treasury department to process.

Appointment of new supervisor and oath of office: Chair Brad Anderson made a motion to appoint Bryce Black to the position of Supervisor #1. Seconded by Kurt Manore. Approved by unanimous voice vote. Oath of office administered. Bryce then joined the board at the table for the duration of the meeting.

Citizens' Concerns:

Bryce Black-Need to check the comprehensive plan and ordinances

Sally Farrar-Clearly explain how our zoning laws protect our town from CAFO's

Addressed by Bryce Black

Jenny Jahnke-Clarification regarding the current permit from the DNR issued to SunBo now Ridge Breeze Dairy. The impression is that zoning does not protect the town.

Craig Roberts: What does DNR approval mean? NR-151 regulations NRCS-590 plan

Addressed by Bryce Black-his comment was that a CAFO ordinance does not automatically give the town the ability to approve/disapprove spreading.

Don Gish: Would like our town to be in the loop when a NR-151 application is sought and approved.

"We control our roads, can speak to road conditions. Would like notification of spreading from the DNR."

Randy Richardson was present to explain a plan for a solar system to power a small data center on his property. (NOTE: this is the first meeting attended by Richardson-this was not part of the agenda and was presented during citizen's concerns)

Tom Winger from the Midwest solar company took the floor (well over his 5 minutes provided) to wax poetically about his background in solar and data technology.

He outlined that the 300 solar panels needed to operate the small, small (half the size of the town hall) data center would provide the energy needed to pump the 2,000 to 3,000 of gallons of water in the

“closed loop” system. No mention of the parent company or type of data that would be mined and collected.

“This would be a good START, for data center placement in Frankfort, with the operation being set behind the berm on the 250 acres of Richardson’s property.”

He also stated that a 50-year master plan would be developed to be approved by the town board. The Richardson property ticks the following boxes: Proximity to fiber, a substation and a communications tower.

“There will be a low rumble, but no real ‘noise’.” “This would be the first of many.”

Donna Juleff reminded Richardson that the berm is part of the reclamation plan for the sand mind and as such is not a permanent, but a temporary structure.

Carolyn Carr: Returning to CAFO-Asking to establish a study group. Other towns have chosen this path.

(On three occasions the Clerk called for a point of order, as Citizens Concerns digressed into a discussion. At Citizen’s concerns, name and address (where you live-not what you own) need to be stated clearly along with the concern. This is not a time for Q & A)

Report on Other Meetings Attended- Wisconsin Town’s Association Unit meeting in May

Cemetery Report-accepted as written. Debra is to check insurance for volunteers before scheduling work days.

Road Report-Maintenance/Construction: Money is tight. Elk Creek \$33,300. Beaver Slide \$35,000 ½ mile of Plumer \$12,000 to chip seal. The board decided to move ahead with seal coating for Beaver Slide (double SS to Beaver Slide) and Elk Creek which will be approximately \$100,000. Barber and Plumer Roads will need to wait until 2027.

WTA Resolution 2026-4 which supports the notion of more money for rural roads projects from the state of Wisconsin. Motion made by Donna Juleff, seconded by Bryce Black. Approved by voice vote.

Planning Commission Report was given by Don Gisch. Reviewed recent requests: Rouleau driveway (Morshback/Sand Hill) and Baecker request.

A new CUP (Conditional Use Permit Application) is being prepared by the planning commission.

Don asked about changing our current ordinances or would the board like a new ordinance?

Bryce Black: Our Zoning Ordinance on Large livestock facilities- “I am not sure the town of Frankfort can modify the state application process.” Some CAFO ordinances address odor control, nutrient management and disease control. It’s all about siting rules verses operational ordinances-he has contacted the WTA.

Chair Brad Anderson has also spoke with the WTA. An ordinance must have zoning in place to strengthen the policy. Do not have an ordinance that is arbitrary. It may be wise to change zoning verses creating/changing ordinances.

Bills were approved.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 14th at 6:30 pm Steve Berger from Rural Mutual will be in attendance.

Debra Fisher, Clerk