

Town of Frankestown

Select Board

Minutes of Meeting

Monday, August 17, 2026

Members present: Chair Karen Fitzgerald, Scot D Heath and Charles M Pyle III (via Teams)

Others present: Town Admin. Jamie A Pike, Admin. Coord. Sarah Morin, Greg Neilley

Chair Fitzgerald called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

New Business

Mr. Neilley approached the Board regarding the new pole locations Eversource has begun installing along Old County Road South. He expressed concern about the placement of poles along scenic roads and requested clarification on Eversource's approval process. He also asked whether the Town has any authority to request the removal of existing utility lines that cross conservation land. Mr. Pike will contact his representative at Eversource and provide an update to the Board.

A motion was made by Mr. Heath and seconded by Mr. Pyle to accept and approve the manifest dated 08.19.2026.

Motion passes.

Four driveway permits were presented:

- Richard Lawrence – Map 6 Lot 74-6 – Davis Lane (New)
- Beowulf Consulting – Map 8 Lot 43-1 – 2nd NH Tpke North (New)
- Henry Camirand – Map 5 Lot 17 – Oak Hill Road (Overlay)
- Jamie Ouelette – Map 8 Lot 65-1 – Old County Road North (Paving)

It was noted that the Davis Lane permit had a measurement discrepancy, which also required approval from the Fire Chief. A motion was made by Mr. Pyle and seconded by Mr. Heath to approve all four driveway permits. **Motion passes.**

Old Business

Martine Bohnsack confirmed that the Garden Club received full funding for the tree project at the Old Meeting House. Mr. Pike followed up regarding the removal of the tree stump to the right of the Old Meeting House and estimated that stump grinding will cost approximately \$500. There is also a small crabapple tree to the left of the Old Meeting House that will be cut down and removed by the Town's groundskeeping crew.

Budget reports were updated by David Gleason and shared with the Board. The budget memo will be distributed after Labor Day. Mr. Pike will ask the Budget Committee to livestream its meetings through Frankestown TV.

Public hearings regarding the sale of Map 5, Lot 52 are scheduled for August 31, September 14, and September 28.

Mr. Pike expects to receive the final contracts for the Old County Road North Bridge project by next week.

Other Business

The obelisk monument at the Turnpike Cemetery, which was damaged over the winter, has been repaired, with the cost funded by FIHS. The Cemetery Trustees will meet with two manufacturers on Wednesday to obtain quotes for a new cemetery shed.

Mr. Pike provided an update on the Recreation trailer. The Highway Department has taken ownership of the trailer and will use it for storage.

Eddie Hardwick will research equipment rental costs to determine the expense of renovating the baseball field in-house. Mr. Pike will contact Mr. Ravalico regarding the requirements for the batting cage.

The new fire truck is currently in Kentucky receiving its final updates. Chief Kullgren hopes it will arrive by Labor Day.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Ms. Fitzgerald and seconded by Mr. Heath to adjourn the meeting. **Motion passes.** Ms. Fitzgerald adjourned the meeting at 5:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Morin, Administrative Coordinator

APPROVED 08.31.2026