

August 17, 2026

The Fredericktown Village Council met in regular session on August 17, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at the Fredericktown Municipal Building.

PRESENT: Council Members Brewer, Cline, Lanuzza, McKnight, Pugh and Shoemaker; Administrator Snell; Chief Sheffer; Fiscal Officer Graves.

Mayor Day called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

INVOCATION: Ruth Douglas, Berlin Church.

MINUTES: Lanuzza made a motion to approve the July 20, 2026 council meeting minutes with change of month from June to July in visitor comments. Seconded by Pugh. All Yea.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

- Mayor Day swore in James DeChant as new Police Chief; Kenneth Aurand and Tazz Berry as Patrol Officers.

LEGISLATION:

(First Reading) **ORDINANCE NO. 2026-24 - AN ORDINANCE MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS**

Lanuzza made a motion to waive the three readings of Ordinance 2026-24. Seconded by Pugh. All Yea. Shoemaker made a motion to pass Ordinance 2026-24. Seconded by Cline. All Yea.

(First Reading) **RESOLUTION NO. 2026-25 - RESOLUTION OF CONTINGENY FINANCIAL PLAN FOR UTILITIES EXPENDITURES AND PASSING AS AN EMERGENCY**

Brewer made a motion to waive the three readings of Resolution 2026-25. Seconded by Cline. All Yea. Pugh made a motion to pass Resolution 2026-25. Seconded by Shoemaker. All Yea.

(First Reading) **RESOLUTION NO. 2026-26 - A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE FISCAL OFFICER TO AMEND THE 2026 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE VILLAGE OF FREDERICKTOWN TO THE KNOX COUNTY AUDITOR**

OLD BUSINESS:

- Continuity of Operations Plan: No Update.
- Cline asked if there had been any research as to a flashing crosswalk sign between the splash pad and the ice cream shop? Police Department will look into the possibility of rumble strips.

NEW BUSINESS: None

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

- Water Improvements Projects: Contractor has a couple of items to finish up
- Sewer Plant Project: New equipment is running well.
- Discussed the high utility bills from Salem Avenue residents that attended last month. (See letter response attached).
- Contractor has been delayed on paving due to rain. Will try and pave on the 18th.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

- Council reviewed the bills, financial reports and bank reconciliation statement for the month of July 2026. Brewer made a motion to approve the financial reports, bills and bank statement for July 2026. Seconded by Cline. All Yea.
- One of the findings in the 2024-2025 Audit mentions that we should use a specific fund for the splash pad. Auditor said that we could use the parks and recreation fund (2041) for the splash pad as long the fund is not used for any other parks and recreation items moving forward in 2027. Lanuzza made a motion to dedicate parks and recreation fund (2041) solely to the splash pad starting in 2027. Seconded by Shoemaker. All Yea.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:

- Department is up to full staff now with swearing in of Kenneth Aurand and Tazz Berry as Patrol Officers, and James DeChant as New Police Chief.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Shoemaker said that the Design Committee is looking at wayfinding signs. They will receive about \$2,000 from the Knox County Foundation for five to six signs around the Village. They are still waiting on quotes.

ADJOURNMENT: Pugh made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Shoemaker. All Yea.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Jerry Day, Mayor

Suzan Graves, Fiscal Officer