

**Franklin Township Board of Trustees**  
**March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026**  
**Regular meeting**

The Franklin Township Board of Trustees met March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026 with Merv Mast, Daniel May and Denny West present. The minutes of the February 9th meeting were read and approved by Daniel and seconded by Denny. The financial report was reviewed and accepted by Daniel and seconded by Denny.

Branch Wyatt was present and discussed the 23 Bypass. A letter was received by Jennifer Williams asking for community support. Denny moved to send a letter to our State representative stating the Trustees are opposed to the Bypass. Merv seconded the motion. The vote was Merv-yes, Daniel-yes and Denny-yes.

The Trustees met with the County Engineers Office about the culvert on TR 238. They suggested removing the old culvert and placing a new longer culvert in. We can purchase the culvert through the County at their pricing. Dan proposed putting in a 60' 60" culvert with baskets at the ends with 1 and 2s or concrete rocks. Merv seconded the motion. The vote was Merv-yes, Daniel-yes and Denny-yes.

Hiring an employee was discussed. Bob stated he is willing to continue as an Employee. It was discussed having Brody Young help replace culverts and run the grader as well as snow plow. He will be added to payroll as a part time employee.

Dan moved to do the following road projects for 2026: Chip and Seal 96N, 118S, 122 and double chip and sealing TR 176. The culverts on TR 108 need paved over approximately 50'. We will join in the County Bid package for these projects. Denny seconded the motion. The vote was Merv-yes, Daniel-yes, and Denny-yes.

The Trustees reviewed the inventory list.

Trash Bash was discussed. The 4-H group Starlight Express will be cleaning up the ditches for all the township.

The Trustees discussed applying for the ODOT Sign Grant. Faith will check into it for next meeting.

Dan moved to pay bills and sign Pos. Merv seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned.

Trustees

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