

SPECIAL MEETING

The Franklin Township Committee held a special meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, August 3, 2026. Deputy Mayor Bonnie Butler opened the meeting in accordance with the "Open Public Meeting Act" Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 having been duly advertised and a copy posted in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Following the flag salute, **Roll Call of Committeepersons present:** Bonnie Butler, David Guth (via conference call), Rich Herzer, Mike Toretta, Sarah Payne, Mayor (via conference call)

Present were: Denise L. Becton, Municipal Clerk

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTIONS-First Reading/Adoption – Resolution 2026-64

RESOLUTION 2026-64

WHEREAS, the Franklin Township Committee has deemed it necessary to appoint the following members to the Land Use Board that shall be appointed by the Mayor of the Township of Franklin. The appointments for the remainder of the year **2026** were made on **August 3, 2026**, as follows.

John Ferri, Class IV (unexpired term) 3 yrs. exp. 12/27

The within resolution was moved by Committeeperson Herzer and seconded by Committeeperson Toretta and upon roll call vote was passed.

Roll Call Vote:	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Rich Herzer	X		
Sarah Payne	X		
Mike Toretta	X		
Mayor David Guth	X	(5) Yes (0) No (0) Absent Motion Carried	

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF A RESOLUTION PASSED AT THE MEETING HELD ON Monday, August 3, 2026.

Denise L. Becton
Denise L. Becton, Municipal Clerk

Dated: August 3, 2026

REPORTS/UPDATES

Rich Herzer – He noticed the contaminated soil is being removed from Willow Grove Road this morning.

Mike Toretta – Have we heard anything about scheduling a meeting on the Dioxane Project.

No other committee members had anything further to report.

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION

Dave Leary – Is there a date scheduled to repave Willow Grove Road. Per Mayor Payne, we need to move money around then we can put out the grant money to finish the project and pave the road.

Jackie Rochelle – Do we have a list of LUB members. No Land Use minutes are listed on the website for 2026 and some are missing for 2025. Mayor Payne will follow up with the secretary. Who are the members that resigned from the LUB; Donald Butler and Joseph Sciortino. Scott Truszkowski recused himself as his property borders and is a conflict.

Laura Winarski – Will the public be able to access the Transcripts on the website for 380 Bloomsbury Road, LLC. Besides the appointment of Mr. Ferri, if we have multiple vacancies why are we only appointing one member today? Mayor Payne addressed we are still looking for interested candidates and will post on the website. We now have a quorum and can continue with the scheduled August 26th warehouse meeting with this appointment. The new member will review meeting tapes and transcripts to be up to speed for this meeting. Be reminded that the Land Use Board and the Township Committee are two separate entities.

Barbara Banes – Franklin Township Recreational Sports – Our website is still reverting to their old website; the clerk will double check with Eddy Patient. Asbury Methodist Church used our soccer fields in Asbury this weekend to hold an old-fashioned picnic. It was very nice and a big success.

Karen Somers - Why does the township committee appoint members to the Land Use Board? The mayor appoints members to the Land Use Board; however, the township committee and the Land Use Board are independent of one another.

On motion by Committeeperson Herzer and seconded by Committeeperson Toretta to approve the municipal escrow bills to be paid as submitted.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstain
Bonnie Butler	X		
David Guth	X		
Rich Herzer	X		
Mike Toretta	X		
Sarah Payne, Mayor	X	(5) Yes	(0) No (0) Absent Motion carried

On motion by Committeeperson Toretta and seconded by Committeeperson Herzer, hearing no objection, meeting stands adjourned at 10:23 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise L. Becton
Denise L. Becton, RMC/CMR
Municipal Clerk