

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD

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DATE: January 06, 2025

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(Road and Bridge, Building and Grounds)
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- John Gossett
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- Ryan Buckingham, Director EMA (Phone)
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- Darla Fitzgerald, Court Services
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- Lorie LeQuatte, ROE
- Cynthia Miklos, Supervisor of Assessments
- Judge Melissa Morgan
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No meeting due to ice storm – County offices were closed.

Curtis Overton, Chairman- Transportation (Road and Bridge) Committee

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Guests (Topic of Comment), Steve Vercellino, Wayne Keller, Janie Keller and other interested parties.
No Public Comments

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The meeting was called to order at 5:26 PM by Chairman, Curtis Overton. See above list of those attending, and also, those stating public comments and the topics of their comments.

Matt Barnett/County Highway Engineer was asked to present county highway's claims to the board and to give his report...

- 8 days in a row for ice and snow. Worse he has seen in years
- Zero Accidents for the county highway workers.
- 3 Items of his will be on the following agenda.

Chairman Overton gave his report...

- Terrible event we had!
- He didn't realize how bad this was going to be and felt like he didn't respond quickly.
- Snow on top of ice was rough to clean up.
- He response will be better if it happens again.
- Trevor Myers did the work to clean up the county areas.
- He and Chairman Hargis have talked to the City of Benton about the contract. Rhett Barke is working on an Inter Government Agreement
- City of Benton is going to put up temporary walls.
- City of Benton of Benton of January are willing to start the \$3,000/ month agreement.
- Still working on quotes to clean the windows on the Courthouse.

Vice Chairman Kevin Westin...

- Was a problem with a leak in the basement utility room had to be checked.
- Has 4 PCO's from Fager McGee for the EOC.
- He gave a short explanation of them and there are 2 more to be discussed at another time and be on the next meeting.
- Courthouse is still having problems with the HVAC. There were several areas that were quite cold and the system is making a loud noise.
- There is an explanation for the problems with the HVAC, but there are still areas that are cold!
- Several employees were having to use small heaters.

The meeting adjourned at 5:55 PM

Minutes submitted 01/30/2025

Curtis Overton, Chairman- Transportation (Road and Bridge) Committee