

**Minutes of the Franklin Economic Development Commission**  
**Franklin City Hall Hearing Room**  
**9229 W. Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin**  
**February 21, 2025 – 3:00 p.m.**

Members Present			Others Present		
Barber, Mike	x	Timothy Wachter (Vice Chair)	x		
Bobowski, Steve (Chair)	x	Barbara Wesener	x	John Regetz, Economic Development Director	
Justin Lockridge		Melissa Ferguson			
Cathleen Richard	x				

- I. The Franklin Economic Development Commission (EDC) meeting was called to order at 3:10 p.m. by Chairman Bobowski.
- II. The floor was opened for Citizen Comment at 3:12 p.m. No citizens were present, and Citizen Comment closed at 3:12 p.m.
- III. The Commission welcomed new Commissioner Melissa Ferguson. Cathleen Richard was excused.
- IV. Approve Minutes from the January 17, 2025 Meeting – Motion by Barber, second by Wachter, to approve. Motion Carried
- V. Strategic Planning
  - a. Draft Report and Plan – Cory Plasch, CP2 Consulting, presented a draft report on the plan. She and the Commission reviewed the report and plan, making minor edits. After Ms. Plasch departed Chairman Bobowski expressed more was needed and proposed a draft plan for enhancement by the Commission and submission to CP2 for integration with the report plan. Discussion ensued. Motion by Wachter, second by Barber, to bring back Bobowski’s plan for revisions at next meeting. Motion carried.
- VI. Economic Development Update
  - a. Biennial Economic Development Report Release Delay due to Elections – Regetz related the report will not be released until after the election because a city produced document with photos and names of candidates cannot be released during an election (December 1 to April 1).
  - b. Current Prospects – Motion by Barber, second by Wachter, to enter closed session.  
 The Economic Development Commission may enter closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(e), for market competition reasons, to deliberate and consider potential commercial/industrial/manufacturing development(s) and governmental actions in relation thereto, and to reenter open session at the same place thereafter to act on such matters discussed therein as it deems appropriate.  
 Motion by Barber, second by Wachter, to enter open session. Motion carried.
- VII. Voucher Approval – CP2 Consulting Contract, \$4,950; Motion by Barber, second by Ferguson, to approve. Motion by carried.
- VIII. Next meeting date – Regularly scheduled, March 21, 3:00 pm
- IX. Adjournment