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## Town of Franklin Board Meetings

**Special Meeting**  
**August 30, 2016**  
**10:00am**

### BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Supervisor Art Willman, Councilman Pete Woodcock, Councilman Tom Bartiss and Councilman Cliff Smalley

### BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councilman Don Hamm

### OTHERS PRESENT:

John Miller-Franklin Co. Attorney, Kim Goodrow-Franklin Co. Workers Comp, Connie Jerior-Franklin Co. Personnel, Ricky Provost-Franklin Co. EMS, Kevin Woodruff-BVFD, John Houghton-BVFD Chief, Tim Woodruff (via phone)-BVFD and Lauren LeFebvre-Town Clerk

### CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Willman called the meeting to order and stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the possibility of Bloomingdale Volunteer Fire Department changing their jurisdictional authority from Essex County to Franklin County. The reason for the proposed change is Franklin Co. dispatch utilizes a high band radio frequency allowing BVFD members to be communicated with in the remote locations of the Town of Franklin.

It was explained that BVFD would NOT be physically relocating to the Town of Franklin. BVFD will remain in the Town of St. Armand. The change is mainly paperwork changes. BVFD will report yearly physicals, rosters, etc. to Franklin County rather than Essex County. Worker's Compensation changes were discussed. Essex County utilizes PERMA (Public Employees Risk Management Association) for Worker's Compensation and Franklin County has their own Franklin County Self Insurance Program. Both St. Armand and Franklin have one open WC case. St. Armand's is expected to be closed within the calendar year.

Franklin Co. Personnel representatives felt there would be no negative effect to the Town of Franklin's rate by including the BVFD members as unpaid employees.

Another meeting was planned for Septmeber 7, 2016 at 4pm at the Franklin Town Hall which will include

representatives from St. Armand's Town Board.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Supervisor Willman adjourned the meeting at 10:40am.

Respectfully submitted, Lauren LeFebvre, Town Clerk

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