

Franklin Happenings & Updates

A small update on some projects happening in Franklin. And a huge THANK YOU for choosing Franklin as your City to set up shop.

Broken Spoon Restaurant



Noodles, noodles, and more noodles, oh my! Broken Spoon Restaurant opened during COVID pandemic in downtown Franklin. Post pandemic, June 29, 2022, Mayor Brown assisted with the ribbon cutting.



Lakes Region eBikes

Yes! Bicycles that can be used by almost anyone. What a wonderful way to explore the Winni River Trail or Northern Rail Trail. Lakes Region eBikes is conveniently located in downtown Franklin. Mayor Brown assisted with the ribbon cutting on July 23rd! Check them out!



Independence Financial Advisors-Oddfellows Building

Upper Floor Condo Units are spoken for! What a great testament to the revitalization efforts of this great city. Well done IFA & FSB!

Peabody Place

Phase 2 is well under way with a January 2023 move in date!

Stevens Mill

The developer, Chinburg Builders, is well underway with the renovation of the largest mill in the downtown area on the river along Canal Street. The project will be 153 market rate units along with some mixed-use commercial/light industrial. The equipment for the distribution center and tasting room for Kettlehead Brewery is in – looks like opening is not too far off!

Waterhorse Irish Pub

The owners of Kathleen's Irish Pub in Bristol are opening an Irish Pub in downtown Franklin in the lower-level restaurant space in Toad Hall (Building West of Franklin Savings Bank). A few supply chain issues has delayed the opening but it will be soon!

Downtown Crepes

A creperie in Franklin! Downtown Crepes opened in June on Franklin Street with a robust menu of both savory and sweet crepes. So many choices!!!!

Trestle View Park

Phase 1 of the whitewater park project is complete! Included in phase 1 is stadium seating and river walkway in Trestle View Park and the in-water feature for kayaks, paddle boards and boogie boards. The City and Mill City Park held a ribbon cutting ceremony for the park and whitewater feature in the river on June 17th as the kick off of the annual Winni River Days celebration. We celebrated all of our community partners who assisted in getting this project done and dedicated the stadium seating to our local community bank – Franklin Savings Bank – who has been an unwavering partner from the beginning of this project. Come play with the river! Now onto phase 2 which includes 2 more in water features – one will be for surfers like you see at the beach but in the river the wave does not end! Pick a restaurant and enjoy lunch on the stadium seating. Likely someone will be on the feature for a show!



Cumberland Farms Project

The developer in this project let us know that the project start date is pushed out to September 2022 as it is taking a little longer to complete their due diligence with the State Environmental office for the project design. We've asked Cumberland Farms to put out a sign that says coming soon and includes bits of information about the project. They say it's on order! Please be patient, the project is worth the wait!

Speaking of this site, a shout out to Leo Paquin for organizing and raising donations for the refurbishment of the military piece in Fennelson Park at the lights of Central and West Bow Streets. Moses Auto Body did an amazing job refurbishing the piece!

More Art in the Downtown

Shoutout to Colby Morrill for facilitating the art in the windows of the Grevior Furniture Building facing Trestle View Park. What a difference and what a way to show off Franklin to traffic coming into the city from the east. The artists range from novice to expert – kudos, artists, for a job well done!