

Finance Committee

Meeting Date: January 13, 2021

Present: Chairman Dowd, Vice Chairman Conley, Clerk Corbosiero, Dewsnap, Moses, Grace, Riley,

Kasberg, Weich

1. Call to Order: 5:00 PM

2. Citizen Comments: None

3. Approval of Minutes: Minutes of 12/15/20 – approved 9-0

4. Stormwater Presentation

- a. Franklin has been a leader in our stormwater initiative. Worcester only other town that has received more stormwater grants than Franklin.
- b. Aging stormwater infrastructure needs to be maintained in order to avoid significant future costs.
- c. Property taxes or stormwater utility are the options to fund maintenance etc.
 - i. With a utility you can get credit if you implement certain tactics.
 - ii. We have been able to get credits because we were leaders on this front so we have had more time before needing to implement a utility.
- d. Vote was taken to adopt a user fee at \$18.66 per billing unit per year which will become effective January 1, 2022. SF is based on the SF of the impervious surface on your property not your total property.

5. COVID-19 Update

- a. 200 first responders vaccinated at FHS 1/13/21 which involved multiple towns Bellingham, Millis, Milford, and Medway
- b. Phase 2 end of Feb early March

6. Future Agenda Items

- a. Discussion of comparable towns stabilization fund and how they compare to Franklin.
- b. Projected revenues and how they are allocated.
- c. Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) overview.
- d. DPW Overview of storm water, recycling, road maintenance, and other.
- e. Facilities Technology
- f. Revenue projection in Feb and budget stabilization request

7. Adjourn - 6:29 pm