

FRANKLIN TOWN COUNCIL

Agenda & Meeting Packet

December 1, 2021

Meeting will be held at the **Municipal Building**

2nd floor, Council Chambers

355 East Central Street

7:00 PM

A NOTE TO RESIDENTS: All citizens are now welcome to attend public board and committee meetings in person. Additionally, in an effort to maximize citizen engagement opportunities, citizens will be able to continue to participate remotely via phone OR Zoom. The meetings will also be [live-streamed by Franklin TV](#) and shown on Comcast Channel 11 and Verizon Channel 29.

- **Link to access meeting:** December 1, 2021 Town Council Meeting Link [HERE](#) -- Then click "Open Zoom"
 - Or copy and paste this URL into your browser: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87628494025>
 - **Call-In Phone Number:** Call **1-929-205-6099** and enter Meeting ID # **876 2849 4025** --Then press #

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

- a. *This meeting is being recorded by Franklin TV and shown on Comcast channel 11 and Verizon Channel 29. This meeting may be recorded by others.*

2. CITIZEN COMMENTS

- a. *Citizens are welcome to express their views for up to five minutes on a matter that is not on the agenda. The Council will not engage in a dialogue or comment on a matter raised during Citizen Comments. The Town Council will give remarks appropriate consideration and may ask the Town Administrator to review the matter.*

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - None Scheduled

4. PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS - None Scheduled

5. APPOINTMENTS - None Scheduled

6. HEARINGS - 7:10pm

- a. [Franklin Tax Classification Hearing](#)
 - i. Legislation for Action Items: 10a., 10b., 10c., 10d., 10e.

7. LICENSE TRANSACTIONS - None Scheduled

8. PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS

- a. [Snow Removal: Robert "Brutus" Cantoreggi, Director of Public Works](#)

9. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Capital Budget Subcommittee
- b. Budget Subcommittee
- c. Economic Development Subcommittee

10. LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

- a. [Resolution 21-74: Tax Classification Residential Factor](#)
(Motion to Approve Resolution 21-74 - Majority Vote)
- b. [Resolution 21-75: Tax Classification Open Space Exemption](#)
(Motion to Approve Resolution 21-75 - Majority Vote)
- c. [Resolution 21-76: Tax Classification Small Business Exemption](#)
(Motion to Approve Resolution 21-76 - Majority Vote)
- d. [Resolution 21-77: Tax Classification Residential Property Exemption](#)
(Motion to Approve Resolution 21-77 - Majority Vote)
- e. [Resolution 21-78: Tax Classification Senior Means Tested Exemption](#)
(Motion to Approve Resolution 21-78 - Majority Vote)
- f. [Resolution 21-79: Town Council 2022 Meeting Calendar](#)
(Motion to Approve Resolution 21-79 - Majority Vote)
- g. [Resolution 21-80: Cable Funds in Support of PEG Service and Programming per MGL Ch. 44, §53F3/4](#) (Motion to Approve Resolution 21-80 - Majority Vote)
- h. [Resolution 21-81: Gift Acceptances - Veterans' Services Department \(\\$1,415\) and Agricultural Commission \(\\$200\)](#) (Motion to Approve Resolution 21-81 - Majority Vote)

11. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. COUNCIL COMMENTS

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. *Considering the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, because an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the Public Body.*

15. ADJOURN

Note:

Two-Thirds Vote: requires 6 votes

Majority Vote: requires majority of members present and voting

Town of Franklin

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OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Memorandum

November 24, 2021

To: Town Council
From: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator
Alecia Alleyne, Assistant to the Town Administrator

Re: Annual Tax Rate Hearing for FY22

The attached information is related to the annual Tax Rate Hearing. The Hearing is required by Massachusetts law for the Town Council to set the FY22 Tax Rate (July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022).

I have attached a packet of information from the Assessors office on the tax rate hearing. Please note the proposed tax rate is dropping from \$14.65 in FY21 to \$14.05 in FY22. Additionally, the residential single family property assessment has increased 7% from \$473,300 to \$506,800.

Please read the materials from the Board of Assessors carefully as there is a good amount of data that is of interest to the community. They have also provided the materials we are required to file with the state, as well as some historical information.

This memo and packet will serve as the backup for the next five resolutions Legislation for action 10a-10e, 21-74, 75, 76, 77, 78), all of which need to be voted on annually by state law.

If you have any additional questions please feel free to ask.

**LEGAL NOTICE
FRANKLIN TAX HEARING
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PROPERTY TAX CLASSIFICATION**

The Franklin Town Council will hold a Public Hearing in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 355 East Central Street, Franklin, MA on Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at 7:10 P.M. on the issue of allocating the local property tax levy among the 5 property classes for the Fiscal Year 2022. The hearing will provide an open forum for the discussion of local property tax policy. Interested taxpayers may present oral or written information on their views.

Prior to the setting of the tax rate, the Town Council must adopt a Residential Factor following which the Council selects the percentage of the levy to be borne by Commercial and Industrial and Personal Property.

Citizens are now welcome to attend public meetings in person. Additionally, citizens will be able to continue to participate remotely via phone OR Zoom. Residents can visit the Town Website (Franklinma.gov) and click on the [Town Calendar](#) for up to date information on how to access the meeting. If you have any questions, please call the Town Administrator's Office at (508) 520-4949.

*Submitted by,
Alecia Alleyne
Licensing Administrator*

TOWN OF FRANKLIN, MASSACHUSETTS**FY 2022 PROPERTY TAX CLASSIFICATION HEARING**

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OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS



MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 1, 2021
TO: Town Council
FROM: Board of Assessors
Kevin W. Doyle, Director of Assessing
RE: FY 2022 Tax Rate Hearing

Please find attached our information related to the annual Tax Rate Hearing. The hearing is required by Law and is intended primarily for the Town Council to determine whether the FY 22 Tax Rate (July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022) will be a single or a dual/split tax rate.

A single tax rate means that all property classes (residential, commercial, industrial and personal) are taxed at the same tax rate. A dual tax rate means the commercial-industrial-personal tax rate is increased while the residential rate is decreased. In other words, some of the residential tax burden is shifted towards commercial, industrial and personal properties.

PLEASE NOTE THAT A DUAL TAX RATE DOES NOT PRODUCE MORE TAX REVENUE, IT SIMPLY SHIFTS THE BURDEN.

Currently the single tax rate for FY 21 is \$14.65 and the proposed tax rate for FY 22 rate is \$14.05. The average single family assessment value increased from \$473,300 to \$506,800 or \$33,500 (7%). The average single family tax bill (home is assessed at \$506,800) will increase by \$187 a year. Individual homes may increase or decrease depending on numerous other factors.

Approximately 81% of property tax valuation and thus tax revenue is from residential taxes and 19% from commercial, industrial and personal property (CIP) taxes. If the council voted for a dual tax rate then then the shift from Residential to CIP would be on a 4 to 1 basis. For example if the Residential tax rate was lowered by \$1 per thousand dollars valuation, the CIP tax rate would need to increase by \$4 to offset the reduction in taxes collected by Residential properties.

Franklin has always had a single rate; we're happy to answer any questions that you may have.

Special Note: We send out quarterly tax bills. The first two (July and October) are preliminary largely based on last fiscal year's bills. The final two tax bills in January and April are based on the Actual Tax Rate and Final Assessment of each property. Accordingly the four quarterly bills are usually different. The first two are generally lower while the last two are higher.

Simple Example – Your last year's tax bill was \$6,000 and this year it goes up \$200 for a total of \$6,200. Your first two bills would be \$1,500 each for a total of \$3,000. The last two tax bills are the final actual total less the first two preliminary tax amounts (\$6,200 minus \$3,000 = \$3,200) divided into the two (January and April) final installments (\$1,600 each).

Many folks multiply their third quarterly \$1,600 amount times four and think their new bill is \$6,400 for the year. They need to look at the total annual tax as indicated on the actual 3rd Quarter Tax Bill, not just at one quarterly bill. Remember that valuations typically change annually in accordance with use of the State required data. The Total Tax Levy typically increases by 2 ½ % (Proposition 2 ½), by New Growth Revenue (improvements and new properties added to the tax base), and by adjustments in the Debt Exclusion amount to be raised for payments on long-term capital projects (i.e. schools).

FY 2022 PROPERTY CLASS TOTALS		VALUE PORTION OF TOTAL	PROPERTY TYPE	ACCT/ PARCEL COUNT	CLASS 1 Residential Assessed Value	CLASS 2 Open Space Assessed Value	CLASS 3 Commercial Assessed Value	CLASS 4 Industrial Assessed Value	CLASS 5 Personal Property Assessed Value
SINGLE FAMILY	63.008%	101	7,756	3,930,834,400					
RESIDENTIAL CONDO	9.837%	102	1,917	613,676,100					
2 RES BLDGS / ONE LOT	0.461%	Misc 103,109	49	28,788,200					
TWO FAMILY	1.426%	104	235	88,981,800					
THREE FAMILY	0.481%	105	67	29,997,400					
APARTMENTS	4.440%	111-125	63	276,981,600					
RESIDENTIAL LAND	0.486%	130-132, 106	394	30,337,000					
OTHERWISE NOT CLASSIFIED	0.000%	200-231	0		0				
COMMERCIAL	6.196%	300-393	215			386,572,700			
INDUSTRIAL	9.119%	400-452	191				568,912,600		
CLASSIFIED FOREST	0.000%	CH 61 Land	0		0				
CLASSIFIED AGRICULTURAL	0.002%	CH 61A Land	21			137,393			
CLASSIFIED RECREATIONAL	0.020%	CH 61B Land	16			1,223,559			
RES/COM/IND MIXED USE	1.057%	012-043	74	38,079,855			27,823,235	51,510	
PERSONAL PROP - INDIVIDUAL	0.660%	501	284					41,177,940	
PERSONAL PROP - CORPORATION	1.004%	502	407					62,606,110	
PERSONAL PROP - MFG CORP	0.000%	503	0					0	
PERSONAL PROP - TRANSMISSION	1.388%	504,550-552	7					86,610,190	
PERSONAL PROP - TELEPHONE	0.256%	505	5					15,989,500	
PERSONAL PROP - PIPELINES	0.116%	506	1					7,265,200	
PERSONAL PROP - WIRELESS	0.042%	508	4					2,601,350	
TOTALS	100.000%		11,706	5,037,676,355	0	415,756,887	568,964,110	216,250,290	
REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TOTAL TAXABLE VALUE									6,238,647,642
EXEMPT PARCEL COUNT & VALUE									EXEMPT VALUE
									818

FY2022 CLASS	CLASS VALUE	KEY GROUPS	VALUE OF GROUP	GROUP % OF CLASS
COMMERCIAL	415,756,887	MALL & OFFICE BLDG.	64,987,400	15.63%
INDUSTRIAL	568,964,110	CONSTITUTION & FORGE	373,563,700	65.66%
SUB-TOTAL	984,720,997	SUB-TOTAL	438,551,100	44.54%
PERSONAL PROP.	216,250,290	PERSONAL PROP.	216,250,290	100.00%
GRAND TOTAL	1,200,971,287	GRAND TOTAL	654,801,390	54.52%
				of total CIP

SHIFTING THE TAX RATE

Fiscal Year 2022

CALCULATION OF THE MINIMUM RESIDENTIAL FACTOR - 150% Shift (formerly shown on the LA-7)

The Minimum Residential Factor is used to make sure the shift of the tax burden complies with the law (M.G.L. c. 58, § 1A). Residential and Open Space taxpayers must pay at least 65% of their full and fair cash value share of the levy. Commercial/Industrial/Personal Property taxpayers cannot pay more than 150% of their full and fair cash value share of the levy. If the calculated Minimum Residential Factor is less than 65%, a community cannot make the maximum shift and must use a Commercial/Industrial/Personal Property factor less than 150%.

A Class	B Full and Fair Cash Valuation	C Percentage Share	D Combined Res/OS, CIP
1. Residential	5,037,676,355	80.7495%	80.7495%
2. Open Space	0	0.0000%	
3. Commercial	415,756,887	6.6642%	19.2505%
4. Industrial	568,964,110	9.1200%	
5. Personal Property	216,250,290	3.4663%	
TOTALS	6,238,647,642	100.0000%	

The "Percentage Share" is based on the "Full and Fair Cash Valuation" of each class, which is affected by the level of assessment for each class. The level of assessment can range between 90% and 110%. This alone can cause a shift if the level of assessment for Residential and Open Space is different than the level of assessment for Commercial, Industrial and Personal Property.

Maximum Share of Levy for Commercial/Industrial/Personal Property: 150% * 19.2505% (Lines 3C + 4C + 5C) = 28.8758% (Max % Share)

This calculation shows the maximum % share of the levy allowed for the full and fair cash value of the combined Commercial, Industrial and Personal Property classes (150% of the combined shares.) NOTE: Shift impact is reduced as the Max % Share decreases.

Minimum Share of Levy for Residential and Open Space: 100% - 28.8758% (Max % Share) = 71.1242% (Min % Share)

This calculation shows the minimum % share of the levy allowed for the full and fair cash value of the combined Residential and Open Space Property classes. This is computed by subtracting the Maximum Share for Industrial/Commercial/Personal Property from 100%.

Minimum Residential Factor (MRF): 71.1242% (Min % Share) / 80.7495% (Lines 1C + 2C) = 88.0801% (Minimum Residential Factor)

This calculates the Minimum Residential Factor: divide the minimum % share for Residential and Open Space by the actual % share for Residential and Open Space.

MINIMUM RESIDENTIAL FACTOR: 88.0801% Chapter 58, Section 1A mandates a minimum residential factor of not less than 65 percent

When the Minimum Residential Factor is multiplied by % share of the Residential and Open space full and fair cash value, it reduces the Residential and Open Space share to its Minimum % Share of the Levy as calculated above.

LA13 Tax Base Levy Growth
 Retain documentation for 5 years in case of DOR audit - Fiscal Year 2022

Property Class	(A) All Prior Year Abatement No.	(B) All Prior Year Abatement Values	(C) New Growth Valuation	(D) PY Tax Rate	(E) Tax Levy Growth
RESIDENTIAL					
SINGLE FAMILY (101)	6	161,100	10,669,800		
CONDOMINIUM (102)	4	73,100	773,800		
TWO & THREE FAMILY (104 & 105)	0	0	332,000		
MULTI - FAMILY (111-125)	0	0	2,482,500		
VACANT LAND (130-132 & 106)	3	422,000	2,297,600		
ALL OTHERS (103, 109, 012-018)	0	0	637,600		
TOTAL RESIDENTIAL	13	656,200	17,193,300	14.65	251,882
OPEN SPACE	0	0	0		
OPEN SPACE - CHAPTER 61, 61A, 61B	0	0	0		
TOTAL OPEN SPACE	0	0	0	0.00	0
COMMERCIAL					
COMMERCIAL - CHAPTER 61, 61A, 61B	4	348,500	914,600		
TOTAL COMMERCIAL	4	348,500	914,600	14.65	13,399
INDUSTRIAL	0	0	7,320,100	14.65	107,239
PERSONAL PROPERTY	2	20,070	50,069,930	14.65	733,524
TOTAL REAL & PERSONAL	19	1,024,770	75,497,930		1,106,044

Community Comments:

Signatures

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Documents

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NOTE : The information is preliminary and is subject to change.

**Levy Limit
 Fiscal Year 2022**

FOR BUDGET PLANNING PURPOSES

I. TO CALCULATE THE FY 2021 LEVY LIMIT

A.	FY 2020 Levy Limit	77,138,077	
A1.	Amended FY 2020 Growth	0	
B.	ADD (IA + IA1)*2.5%	1,928,452	
C.	ADD FY 2021 New Growth	1,668,392	
C1.	ADD FY 2021 New Growth Adjustment	0	
D.	ADD FY 2021 Override	0	
E.	FY 2021 Subtotal	<u>80,734,921</u>	
F.	FY 2021 Levy Ceiling	144,352,080	I. <u>80,734,921</u>
			FY 2021 Levy Limit

II. TO CALCULATE THE FY 2022 LEVY LIMIT

A.	FY 2021 Levy Limit from I	80,734,921	
A1.	Amended FY 2021 Growth	0	
B.	ADD (IIA + IIA1)*2.5%	2,018,373	
C.	ADD FY 2022 New Growth	1,106,044	
C1.	ADD FY 2022 New Growth Adjustment	0	
D.	ADD FY 2022 Override	0	
E.	ADD FY 2022 Subtotal	<u>83,859,338</u>	
F.	FY 2022 Levy Ceiling	155,966,191	II. <u>83,859,338</u>
			FY 2022 Levy Limit

III. TO CALCULATE THE FY 2022 MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE LEVY

A.	FY 2022 Levy Limit from II.	83,859,338
B.	FY 2022 Debt Exclusion(s)	3,847,931
C.	FY 2022 Capital Expenditure Exclusion(s)	0
D.	FY 2022 Stabilization Fund Override	0
E.	FY 2022 Other Adjustment :	0
F.	FY 2022 Water/Sewer	0
G.	FY 2022 Maximum Allowable Levy	<u>87,707,269</u>

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CLASSIFICATION TAX ALLOCATION
Fiscal Year 2022

1. The selected Residential Factor is 1.000000

If you desire each class to maintain 100% of its full values tax share, indicate a residential factor of "1" and go to question 3.

2. In computing your residential factor, was a discount granted to Open Space?

Yes No

If Yes, what is the percentage discount? 0

3. Was a residential exemption adopted?

Yes No

If Yes, please complete the following:

<u>Class 1 Total Assessed Value</u>	=	<u>5,037,676,355</u>	X	<u>0</u>	=	<u>0</u>
Class 1 Total Parcel Count *		0		Selected Res. Exemption %		Residential Exemption

Include all parcels with a Mixed-Use Residential designation

Applicable number of parcels to receive exemption 0

Was a Senior Means Tested exemption adopted?

Yes No

If Yes, please complete the following:

Total Eligible Parcels	0	Total Value Exempted nbsp;	0
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Combined Exemptions

Total Value Exempted, Residential + Senior Means Tested	0
Total Residential Value after exemption(s)	5,037,676,355

4. Was a small commercial exemption adopted?

Yes No

% Selected 0

If Yes, please complete the following:

No. of parcels eligible	<u>0</u>
Total value of parcels	<u>0</u>
Total value to be exempted	<u>0</u>

5. The following information was derived from the LA-7. Please indicate in column D percentages (accurate to 4 digits to the right of the decimal point) which result from your selected residential factor. (If a residential factor of "1" has been selected, you may leave Column D blank.)

A Class	B Certified Full and Fair Cash Value Assessments	C Percentage Full Value Shares of Total Tax Levy	D New Percentage Shares of Total Tax Levy
Residential	5,037,676,355.00	80.7495%	80.7495%
Open Space	0.00	0.0000%	0.0000%
Commercial	415,756,887.00	6.6642%	6.6642%
Industrial	568,964,110.00	9.1200%	9.1200%
Personal Property	216,250,290.00	3.4663%	3.4663%
TOTALS	6,238,647,642.00	100.0000%	100.0000%

CLASSIFICATION TAX ALLOCATION
Fiscal Year 2022

7. We hereby attest that on (date), (time), at (place) in a public hearing on the issue of adopting the percentages for fiscal year 2022, that the Board of Assessors presented information and data relevant to making such determination and the fiscal effect of the available alternatives, and that the percentages set forth above were duly adopted in public session on (date).

3. The LA-5 excess capacity for the current fiscal year is calculated as 54,269.63

The LA-5 excess capacity for the prior fiscal year is calculated as 15,978.35

- For cities : City Councilors, Aldermen, Mayor
- For towns : Board of Selectmen
- For districts : Prudential Committee or Commissioners

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CLASSIFICATION OPTIONS

CLASS	VALUE	%	R & O %	CIP %
Residential	5,037,676,355	80.7495	80.7495	
Open Space	0	0.0000	0.0000	80.7495
Commercial	415,756,887	6.6642		
Industrial	568,964,110	9.1200		
Personal Property	216,250,290	3.4663		
Total	6,238,647,642	100.0000		19.2505

ENTER A LEVY

Levy	87,652,999
Single TaxRate	14.05

ENTER CIP SHIFT RANGE

Shift Range	1.00	1.50
Shift Increment %		5.00
Max Shift Allowed		1.50

Share Percentages

CIP Shift	Res Factor	Res SP	Comm SP	Ind SP	PP SP	Total SP	Res Tax Rate	CIP Tax Rate
1.0000	1.0000	80.7495	6.6642	9.1200	3.4663	100.0000	14.05	14.05
1.0500	0.9881	79.7870	6.9974	9.5760	3.6396	100.0000	13.88	14.75
1.1000	0.9762	78.8244	7.3306	10.0320	3.8129	100.0000	13.72	15.45
1.1500	0.9642	77.8619	7.6638	10.4880	3.9862	100.0000	13.55	16.16
1.2000	0.9523	76.8994	7.9970	10.9440	4.1596	100.0000	13.38	16.86
1.2500	0.9404	75.9369	8.3303	11.4000	4.3329	100.0000	13.21	17.56
1.3000	0.9285	74.9743	8.6635	11.8560	4.5062	100.0000	13.05	18.26
1.3500	0.9166	74.0118	8.9967	12.3120	4.6795	100.0000	12.88	18.97
1.4000	0.9046	73.0493	9.3299	12.7680	4.8528	100.0000	12.71	19.67
1.4500	0.8927	72.0868	9.6631	13.2240	5.0261	100.0000	12.54	20.37
1.5000	0.8808	71.1242	9.9963	13.6800	5.1995	100.0000	12.38	21.07

Massachusetts Department of Revenue								
Division of Local Services								
Municipal Databank/Local Aid Section								
FY1988 - FY2022 Average Single Family Tax Bill								
Municipality	DOR Code	FY	Assessed Value Residential Single Family	Parcels	Average Value	Tax Rate	Single Family Tax Bill	Increase over Prior FY
FRANKLIN	101	1988	586,331,400	4,476	130,995	11.63	1,523	n/a
	101	1989	613,114,500	4,589	133,605	12.38	1,654	131
	101	1990	826,464,400	4,716	175,247	9.85	1,726	72
	101	1991	868,748,600	4,877	178,132	10.11	1,801	75
	101	1992	834,542,000	5,066	164,734	11.28	1,858	57
	101	1993	830,674,100	5,252	158,163	12.34	1,952	94
	101	1994	885,344,000	5,511	160,650	12.81	2,058	106
	101	1995	949,396,000	5,832	162,791	13.44	2,188	130
	101	1996	1,084,874,600	6,182	175,489	13.71	2,406	218
	101	1997	1,175,677,500	6,550	179,493	14.21	2,551	145
	101	1998	1,302,916,600	6,812	191,268	13.80	2,639	88
	101	1999	1,368,422,600	7,017	195,015	13.92	2,715	76
	101	2000	1,544,340,100	7,128	216,658	13.11	2,840	125
	101	2001	1,672,147,900	7,202	232,178	12.82	2,977	137
	101	2002	1,985,936,800	7,276	272,943	11.57	3,158	181
	101	2003	2,209,146,500	7,352	300,482	11.07	3,326	168
	101	2004	2,257,931,800	7,392	305,456	11.04	3,372	46
	101	2005	2,849,600,500	7,435	383,268	9.17	3,515	143
	101	2006	3,091,558,600	7,453	414,807	9.02	3,742	227
	101	2007	3,274,830,500	7,493	437,052	8.86	3,872	130
	101	2008	3,091,250,900	7,512	411,508	10.23	4,210	338
	101	2009	2,906,337,200	7,553	384,792	11.17	4,298	88
	101	2010	2,793,914,300	7,577	368,736	12.03	4,436	138
	101	2011	2,744,081,800	7,599	361,111	12.95	4,676	240
	101	2012	2,682,632,300	7,607	352,653	13.73	4,842	166
	101	2013	2,651,054,200	7,618	347,999	14.34	4,990	148
	101	2014	2,784,880,900	7,651	363,989	14.45	5,260	270
	101	2015	2,918,642,300	7,656	381,223	14.84	5,657	397
	101	2016	3,052,355,300	7,664	398,272	14.50	5,775	118
	101	2017	3,166,111,000	7,688	411,825	14.58	6,004	229
	101	2018	3,248,659,900	7,702	421,794	14.65	6,179	175
	101	2019	3,424,692,100	7,722	443,498	14.66	6,502	323
	101	2020	3,564,773,500	7,743	460,387	14.51	6,680	178
	101	2021	3,665,821,100	7,745	473,315	14.65	6,934	254
	101	2022	3,930,834,400	7,756	506,812	14.05	7,121	187
							average =	165

FY	MEAN SF VALUE	SINGLE RATE	SINGLE RATE TAX	CHG FR PRIOR YR
2005	383,300	9.17	3,515	n/a
2006	414,800	9.02	3,741	227
2007	437,100	8.86	3,873	131
2008	411,500	10.23	4,210	337
2009	384,800	11.17	4,298	89
2010	368,800	12.03	4,437	138
2011	361,100	12.95	4,676	240
2012	352,700	13.73	4,843	166
2013	348,000	14.34	4,990	148
2014	364,000	14.45	5,260	269
2015	381,200	14.84	5,657	397
2016	398,300	14.50	5,775	118
2017	411,800	14.58	6,004	229
2018	421,800	14.65	6,179	175
2019	443,500	14.66	6,502	322
2020	460,400	14.51	6,680	179
2021	473,300	14.65	6,934	253
2022	506,800	14.05	7,121	187
	MEAN = AVERAGE			

FY	MEDIAN SF VALUE	SINGLE RATE	SINGLE TAX	CHG FR PRIOR YR
2005	354,000	9.17	3,246	n/a
2006	385,000	9.02	3,473	227
2007	411,000	8.86	3,641	169
2008	383,000	10.23	3,918	277
2009	354,000	11.17	3,954	36
2010	343,000	12.03	4,126	172
2011	328,500	12.95	4,254	128
2012	321,300	13.73	4,411	157
2013	316,000	14.34	4,531	120
2014	331,700	14.45	4,793	262
2015	353,900	14.84	5,252	459
2016	367,100	14.50	5,323	71
2017	373,800	14.58	5,450	127
2018	389,500	14.65	5,706	256
2019	410,800	14.66	6,022	316
2020	427,700	14.51	6,206	184
2021	441,300	14.65	6,465	259
2022	470,800	14.05	6,615	150
	MEDIAN = MIDDLE			

PROPERTY CLASS	FY 21 CLASS LEVY AT 14.65	FY 22 CLASS LEVY AT 14.05	% CHANGE FY 2021 TO FY 2022
RESIDENTIAL	68,627,621.96	70,779,352.79	3.135%
COMMERCIAL	5,648,529.59	5,841,384.26	3.414%
INDUSTRIAL	7,547,151.72	7,993,945.75	5.920%
PERSONAL	2,767,015.38	3,038,316.57	9.805%
GRAND TOTALS	84,590,318.65	87,652,999.37	3.621%

**BOARD OF ASSESSORS - FISCAL YEAR 2021
TOWN FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

VALUATION

Taxable Real Property	5,585,208,415.00
Taxable Personal Property	188,874,770.00

TOTAL TAXABLE PROPERTY VALUATION 5,774,083,185.00

AMOUNTS TO BE RAISED

Total Real and Personal Property Tax Levy	84,590,318.65
Total Estimated Receipts & Other Revenue Sources	58,956,185.00

TOTAL AMOUNTS TO BE RAISED/RECEIPTS - ALL SOURCES 143,546,503.65

TAX RATE - \$14.65 PER \$1,000 OF TAXABLE VALUATION

TAX LEVY

Real Property Levy	81,823,303.27
Personal Property Levy	2,767,015.38

TOTAL LEVY - ALL TAXABLE CLASSES 84,590,318.65

REAL PROPERTY EXEMPTIONS	\$ EXEMPTION TOTALS	\$ MA REIMBURSEMENT
Clause 17D Widow/Senior (37)	12,580.00	350.00
Clause 18 Hardship (1)	3,958.43	0.00
Clause 22 Veterans (120)	48,000.00	27,000.00
Clause 22F Veterans (1)	6,797.60	6,622.60
Clause 22C Veterans (1)	1,500.00	1,325.00
Clause 22D Veterans (11)	62,715.22	62,715.22
Clause 22E Veterans (39)	39,000.00	32,175.00
Clause 37A Blind (12)	6,000.00	1,050.00
Clause 41C Elderly (21)	21,000.00	0.00
Clause 42 Widow (police) (1)	8,501.40	0.00
Exemptions Totals (244)	210,052.65	131,237.82
Senior Work Prog. (70)	41,985.00	0.00

FISCAL YEAR 2022 REVALUATION

What's a Revaluation? ... What does a Revaluation look like?

For local cities and towns in Massachusetts, most revenue is raised through local "ad valorem" taxation, that is taxation on local real and personal (primarily business assets) property "according to value". Since valuation is the basis for taxation, about 40 years ago court decisions and legislation resulted in state mandates to assure "Full and Fair Taxation" with every community revaluing all property every 3 years. Previously, while assessors recognized the importance of updating property records and values, there was often a perceived or real local government concern that once revalued, the city or town may appear to the state to be wealthier relative to its need to receive state aid. Thus, the state made it clear that this was a new mandate for uniformity statewide, thus state aid at least as value is concerned should be fairer. During this same time, Proposition 2 ½ was passed to place controls on the level and future growth of overall local property tax revenue.

Massachusetts residents got used to every 3rd year being a Revaluation Year. The expectation was that there would be a significant increase in the number of assessing agents, mostly data collectors, during the time leading up to revaluation. There was concern that with a revaluation, there was a greater chance that both valuations and tax bills would increase quite a bit. However, right from the start the intention was to create a system to equalize values to achieve uniform full and fair cash values. For properties that appreciated at a higher rate than others, there would be greater tax increases over time, which was to be expected, since these taxes were to be levied on property "according to value". Valuation schedules have to be tested on specific market or sales data and adjusted accordingly to reflect the changes that have taken place since the last revaluation. While to revalue property doesn't necessarily require recollecting all property data every 3 years, a periodic recollection every 5 to 10 years is state mandated and necessary to achieve appropriate property valuations.

Now a Revaluation takes place every 5th year, why does my tax bill usually have a different value every year? Over the past 4 decades, there have been both market increases and decreases, and these of course don't wait to happen for your next Revaluation. Thus, assessors began to make value adjustments more frequently as needed, until finally in this last decade it was recognized and mandated by the state that valuations needed to be tested annually and adjusted if and as needed. For the property owners and for the assessors, this really means that every year is a revaluation year. Annual updates provide greater assurance that valuations are being equalized townwide annually and generally lessen the chance for greater tax bill sticker-shock. However, even if the market is flat, property changes such as improvements are included in property record annual updates and thus may result in a property value change. Also, most cities and towns will be sure to levy the 2 ½ % annually allowable overall limit increase, thus a minimum tax increase of 2 ½ % should be anticipated for every property.

The assessors recommend you familiarize yourself with the records and data they maintain on your property. Please inquire if you believe the data may be inaccurate. Errors on your property record can often best be reviewed and corrected proactively before the start of the next fiscal year's actual tax.



Tax Rate Presentation

12-01-2021

Kevin Doyle - Director of Assessing

Chris Feeley - Chairman, Board of Assessors



FY 2022 Town of Franklin Tax Classification Hearing Presentation

1. New Growth brief on its role and where it's coming from.
2. Levy Limit Brief component discussion.
3. Median (middle) Single Family Valuation and Tax
4. Classification options brief perspective on single vs. Split tax rate.

LA13 Tax Base Levy Growth

Retain documentation for 5 years in case of DOR audit - Fiscal Year 2022

Property Class	(A) All Prior Year Abatement No.	(B) All Prior Year Abatement Values	(C) New Growth Valuation	(D) PY Tax Rate	(E) Tax Levy Growth
RESIDENTIAL					
SINGLE FAMILY (101)	6	161,100	10,669,800		
CONDOMINIUM (102)	4	73,100	773,800		
TWO & THREE FAMILY (104 & 105)	0	0	332,000		
MULTI - FAMILY (111-125)	0	0	2,482,500		
VACANT LAND (130-132 & 106)	3	422,000	2,297,600		
ALL OTHERS (103, 109, 012-018)	0	0	637,600		
TOTAL RESIDENTIAL	13	656,200	17,193,300	14.65	251,882
OPEN SPACE	0	0	0		
OPEN SPACE - CHAPTER 61, 61A, 61B	0	0	0		
TOTAL OPEN SPACE	0	0	0	0.00	0
COMMERCIAL	4	348,500	914,600		
COMMERCIAL - CHAPTER 61, 61A, 61B	0	0	0		
TOTAL COMMERCIAL	4	348,500	914,600	14.65	13,399
INDUSTRIAL	0	0	7,320,100	14.65	107,239
PERSONAL PROPERTY	2	20,070	50,069,930	14.65	733,524
TOTAL REAL & PERSONAL	19	1,024,770	75,497,930		1,106,044

Levy Limit
 Fiscal Year 2022

FOR BUDGET PLANNING PURPOSES

I. TO CALCULATE THE FY 2021 LEVY LIMIT

A. FY 2020 Levy Limit	77,138,077	
A1. Amended FY 2020 Growth	0	
B. ADD (IA + IA1)*2.5%	1,928,452	
C. ADD FY 2021 New Growth	1,668,392	
C1. ADD FY 2021 New Growth Adjustment	0	
D. ADD FY 2021 Override	0	
E. FY 2021 Subtotal	<u>80,734,921</u>	
F. FY 2021 Levy Ceiling	144,352,080	I. <u>80,734,921</u>

FY 2021 Levy Limit

II. TO CALCULATE THE FY 2022 LEVY LIMIT

A. FY 2021 Levy Limit from I	80,734,921	
A1. Amended FY 2021 Growth	0	
B. ADD (IIA + IIA1)*2.5%	2,018,373	
C. ADD FY 2022 New Growth	1,106,044	
C1. ADD FY 2022 New Growth Adjustment	0	
D. ADD FY 2022 Override	0	
E. ADD FY 2022 Subtotal	<u>83,859,338</u>	
F. FY 2022 Levy Ceiling	155,966,191	II. <u>83,859,338</u>

FY 2022 Levy Limit

III. TO CALCULATE THE FY 2022 MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE LEVY

A. FY 2022 Levy Limit from II.	83,859,338
B. FY 2022 Debt Exclusion(s)	3,847,931
C. FY 2022 Capital Expenditure Exclusion(s)	0
D. FY 2022 Stabilization Fund Override	0
E. FY 2022 Other Adjustment :	0
F. FY 2022 Water/Sewer	0
G. FY 2022 Maximum Allowable Levy	<u>87,707,269</u>



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CLASSIFICATION OPTIONS

CLASS	VALUE	%	
Residential	5,037,676,355	80.7495	R & O %
Open Space	0	0.0000	80.7495
Commercial	415,756,887	6.6642	
Industrial	568,964,110	9.1200	C I P %
Personal Property	216,250,290	3.4663	19.2505
Total	6,238,647,642	100.0000	

ENTER A LEVY

Levy	87,652,999
Single TaxRate	14.05

ENTER CIP SHIFT RANGE

Shift Range	1.00	1.50
Shift Increment %		5.00
Max Shift Allowed		1.50

Share Percentages

CIP Shift	Res Factor	Res SP	Comm SP	Ind SP	PP SP	Total SP	Res Tax Rate	CIP Tax Rate
1.0000	1.0000	80.7495	6.6642	9.1200	3.4663	100.0000	14.05	14.05
1.0500	0.9881	79.7870	6.9974	9.5760	3.6396	100.0000	13.88	14.75
1.1000	0.9762	78.8244	7.3306	10.0320	3.8129	100.0000	13.72	15.45
1.1500	0.9642	77.8619	7.6638	10.4880	3.9862	100.0000	13.55	16.16
1.2000	0.9523	76.8994	7.9970	10.9440	4.1596	100.0000	13.38	16.86
1.2500	0.9404	75.9369	8.3303	11.4000	4.3329	100.0000	13.21	17.56
1.3000	0.9285	74.9743	8.6635	11.8560	4.5062	100.0000	13.05	18.26
1.3500	0.9166	74.0118	8.9967	12.3120	4.6795	100.0000	12.88	18.97
1.4000	0.9046	73.0493	9.3299	12.7680	4.8528	100.0000	12.71	19.67
1.4500	0.8927	72.0868	9.6631	13.2240	5.0261	100.0000	12.54	20.37
1.5000	0.8808	71.1242	9.9963	13.6800	5.1995	100.0000	12.38	21.07

Snow and Ice Removal Program

Franklin Department of Public Works

December 1st, 2021

Robert Cantoreggi, Director

Carlos Rebelo, Highway & Grounds Superintendent

Tony Brunetta, Assistant Highway & Grounds Superintendent

Snow Removal Priorities

1. Roadways
2. Public Buildings / Schools
3. Sidewalks

These priorities were established with cooperation of the School and Police Departments.

Goals:

- * Be Prepared!
- * Respond with the appropriate resources in a timely manner.
- * Ensure that emergency vehicles can always respond during snow / ice events.
- * Provide safe passage of vehicles during snow fall.
- * Have all roadways cleared, i.e. showing some asphalt, less than one inch of snow and ice within 4 hours of the end of the storm.

FY 2021

- * FY 2021 Approved Budget: \$1,056,500.00
- * **\$375,500.00** for Road Treatments Salt

- * FY 2020 Costs
- * 16 Events. (58.5 Inches of snow)
- * **\$1,078,671.00** Total
- * **\$278,853.00** for Salt (5200 tons)

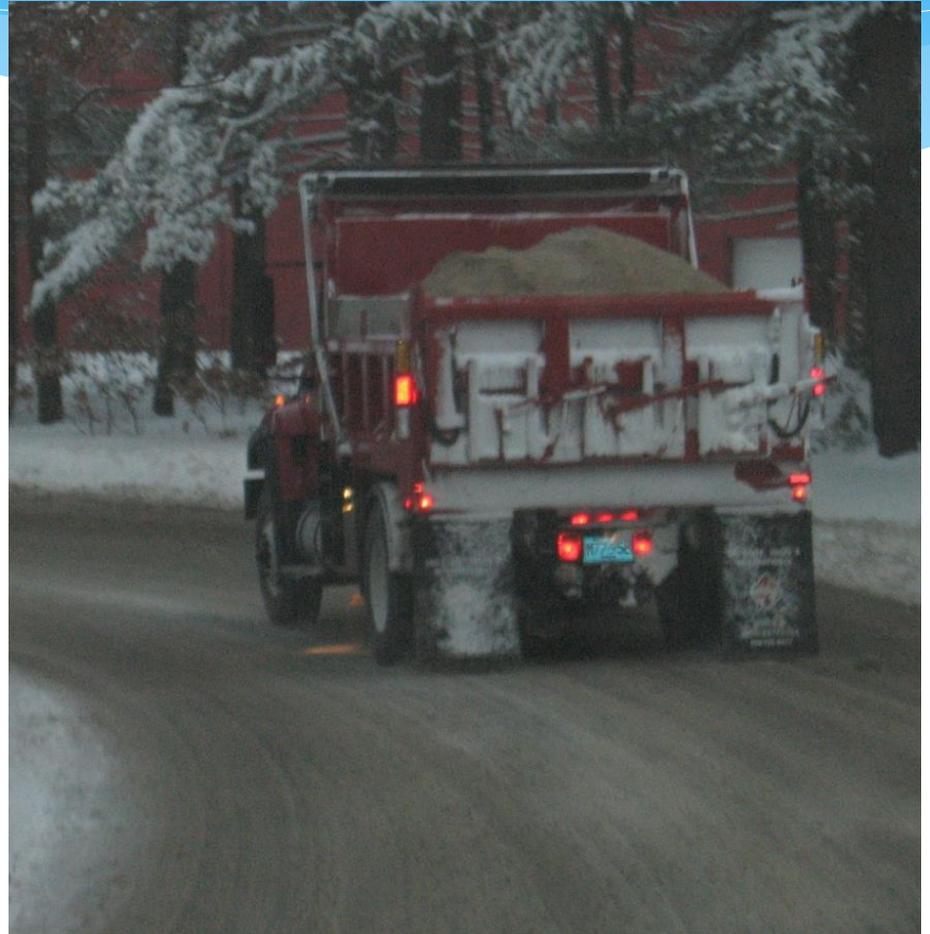
Road Salting



Mixing Rate

- 100% Salt*

*Special Circumstances



“Five Truck Route” vs. “Treating the Whole Town”

Treating the Whole Town:

14 Sanders	
Twenty-one Employees	\$5620.00
400 Yards of Salt	<u>\$26,000.00</u>
Total:	\$ 31,620.00

“Five Truck Route“:

6 Sanders	
Seven Employees	\$1840.00
120 Yards of Salt	<u>\$7800.00</u>
Total:	\$ 9640.00



Environmental Concerns:

Rising Salt Levels in Water Supply

Well #3, Grove Street D.E.P recommends < 20 ppm

- * 2000 17.4 ppm
- * 2008 43.8 ppm
- * 2012 59.7 ppm
- * 2015 68.2 ppm
- * 2018 70.3 ppm
- * 2021 66.0 ppm ***



Plowing



35 pieces of DPW
Equipment
“On Road” at one
time

D.P.W.
Employees Cost
\$1537.5.00 per
hour.



80 pieces of
hired
equipment

Contractors
Cost
\$9450.00 per
hour!



Contractor Shortage

- * Good Economy / Covid
- * No Drivers
- * Insurance Costs / Requirements
- * CDL Requirements
- * Lost equipment to private properties
- * Folks just do not want to plow for “Blood Money”

Effect

- * Longer timetable to clear roads
- * More delays / cancellation of schools
- * Longer time to clear sidewalks
- * Extended time to fix missed areas, clear corners, etc.
- * Downtown snow removal delays
- * Delays in repairing potholes / other work

Safety of the residents and employees will always be our number one priority!!!

What we have done

- * Raised plowing rates
- * Improved Technology
- * Looking at insurance requirements
- * Changed plow routes
- * Internal communications
- * Public outreach

Sidewalks



Challenges

- * Over 35 miles of sidewalks identified for snow removal operations.
 1. School walking routes
 2. Downtown areas
 3. High traffic / speed routes

- * Mother Nature
 1. Timing of storm
 2. Length of storm
 3. Type of snow
 4. Amount of snow



Time to Clear Sidewalks

- * Less than six inches of snow, snow plows are used.

1 day

- * More than six inches of snow, snow blowers are used.

2-3 days





Student walking
in street

Recently
installed &
plowed sidewalk

Picture taken 12/22/2009 @ 2:30PM on Brook St.

Items That Can Effect Response

- * Timing of storm (day of week, hour of day)
- * Duration of storm
- * Amount and type of precipitation
- * Temperature during storm
- * Weather pattern: warm to cold or cold to warm
- * Frost in/on ground
- * Month of storm
- * Recent storm activity

Preparing For A Storm

- * Watch the weather
- * Equipment readiness
- * Availability of DPW personnel
- * Contact with other town departments
- * Contact contractors for equipment / personnel
- * Availability of supplies (Salt)
- * Training and after-action reviews...

Getting ready for the next one!!!

Pushing Snow into Roadway

TOWN BYLAWS: PEACE AND GOOD ORDER, CHAPTER 155-12 Deposit of Snow and Ice

- * No person shall plow, push, deposit, throw or pile snow or ice into or across any public street, sidewalk or property nor direct nor cause the same to be done unless in the employ of the Town.



Winter Storm Overnight Parking Ban

TOWN BYLAWS: ARTICLE X, 170-60 : The parking of any motor vehicle within the layout or right-of-way of any public street or any roadway open to the public is prohibited between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. while a winter storm parking ban is in effect.



No Salt Available at DPW Yard

- * Safety of employees and residents
- * DEP regulations
- * Liability issues



Fire Hydrants



Mailbox Policy



Basketball Hoops

**Not allowed in public
right-of-way**

**TOWN BYLAWS: PEACE AND
GOOD ORDER, CHAPTER 125-4**
Obstructing streets and
sidewalks



Top 10 Complaints:

1. Plows keep putting snow in my driveway right after I shovel
2. My street is not down to asphalt, but others are.
3. There is more snow on my side of the road than the other
4. The roadway is too narrow, there only enough room for one car
5. The snow banks are too high, I can't see on-coming traffic
6. You hit my mailbox, I can not get to my mailbox
7. I can't dig out / find the hydrant
8. You pushed snow up on my property
9. The plow trucks are driving like 40 miles per hour!
10. When is it going to stop snowing?

Think Summer!





**TOWN OF FRANKLIN
RESOLUTION 21-74**

Tax Classification - Residential Factor

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the Property Tax Classification was held and closed on December 1, 2021.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Residential Factor will be set at [1.000000].

DATED: _____, 2021

VOTED:

UNANIMOUS: _____

YES: _____ **NO:** _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

A True Record Attest:

**Nancy Danello, CMC
Town Clerk**

**Glenn Jones, Clerk
Franklin Town Council**



**TOWN OF FRANKLIN
RESOLUTION 21-75**

Tax Classification - Open Space Exemption

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the Property Tax Classification was held and closed on December 1, 2021.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that there [~~be~~] [not be] an exemption for open space.

DATED: _____, 2021

VOTED:

UNANIMOUS: _____

YES: _____ **NO:** _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

A True Record Attest:

**Nancy Danello, CMC
Town Clerk**

**Glenn Jones, Clerk
Franklin Town Council**



**TOWN OF FRANKLIN
RESOLUTION 21-76**

Tax Classification - Small Business Exemption

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the Property Tax Classification was held and closed on December 1, 2021.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that there [~~be~~] [not be] an exemption for small businesses.

DATED: _____, 2021

VOTED:

UNANIMOUS: _____

YES: _____ **NO:** _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

A True Record Attest:

**Nancy Danello, CMC
Town Clerk**

**Glenn Jones, Clerk
Franklin Town Council**



**TOWN OF FRANKLIN
RESOLUTION 21-77**

Tax Classification - Residential Property Exemption

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the Property Tax Classification was held and closed on December 1, 2021.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that there [~~be~~] [not be] an exemption for residential properties.

DATED: _____, 2021

VOTED:

UNANIMOUS: _____

YES: _____ **NO:** _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

A True Record Attest:

**Nancy Danello, CMC
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**Glenn Jones, Clerk
Franklin Town Council**



**TOWN OF FRANKLIN
RESOLUTION 21-78**

Tax Classification - Senior Means Tested Exemption

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the Property Tax Classification was held and closed on December 1, 2021.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that there [~~be~~] [not be] an exemption for senior means tested.

DATED: _____, 2021

VOTED:

UNANIMOUS: _____

A True Record Attest:

YES: _____ **NO:** _____

ABSTAIN: _____

**Nancy Danello, CMC
Town Clerk**

ABSENT: _____

**Glenn Jones, Clerk
Franklin Town Council**

Town of Franklin

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OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Memorandum

December 1, 2021

To: Town Council
From: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator

Re: Resolution 21-79: 2022 Schedule of Town Council Meetings

I am asking the Council to approve the 2022 Town Council meeting schedule. This schedule outlines the proposed Town Council meeting dates for the 2022 calendar year. While very rare, this does not prohibit the Council from posting additional meetings as necessary within the Open Meeting Law statutory requirements of 48 hours public notice.

I have also included a schedule of monthly office hours for the Town Council and Town Administration at the Senior Center, which we have held for the past three years (and even during the pandemic!). The office hours are on the third Thursday of every month.

FYI - the Finance Committee will be reviewing their 2022 meeting dates on December 8th. Finance Committee meetings are held monthly on Wednesday evenings opposite Town Council dates. The following dates are expected to be announced for their meetings in 2022:

January 12, February 9, March 9, April 20, June 15, July - No meeting, August - No meeting, September 28, October 26, November 9 and December 7. The Finance Committee annual FY23 budget hearing dates will be scheduled for May 9, 10, 11, and 12. Like last year, the hearings are anticipated to be scheduled over four nights. May 9 (General Government) May 10 (School Dept.), May 11 (Public Safety) May 12 (Public Works).

Finally, the following are also scheduled Community Preservation Committee dates for 2022:

January 4 and January 18 (Public Hearings), February 15, March 1, April 5, May 17, June 3, July - no meeting, August - no meeting, September 6, October 4, November 8, December 6.

Once all dates have been settled, we will post them on the Town Calendar. All dates are subject to change throughout the year based on the policy information we have at the time. If you have any additional questions please feel free to ask.



**TOWN OF FRANKLIN
RESOLUTION 21-79
2022 SCHEDULE OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS**

2022 DATES

January	5	
January	19	
February	2	
February	16	(FYI: School Vacation February 21-25)
March	2	
March	16	
April	6	
April	13	(FYI: School Vacation April 18-22)
May	4	(Fin Comm Budget Hearings May 9-12)
May	25	(FY23 Operating Budget Hearing 1)
May	26	(FY23 Operating Budget Hearing 2)
June	8	
June	22	
July	20	
August	17	
September	7	
September	21	
October	5	
October	19	
November	2	
November	16	
November	30	(FY23 Tax Rate Hearing)
December	14	

DATED: _____, 2021

VOTED:

UNANIMOUS: _____

YES: _____ **NO:** _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

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OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Town Council & Town Administration Monthly Office Hours **Third Thursday/Month** **8:30 AM - 9:30 AM**

Franklin Senior Center
10 Daniel McCahill Road Franklin, MA

The Town Council will be holding monthly office hours at the Franklin Senior Center. One or more Councilors, along with the Town Administration, may be present for this standing time for seniors, their families and residents to ask questions, discuss issues of concern or just enjoy a complimentary cup of coffee!

2022 Dates

January	20
February	17
March	17
April	21
May	19
June	16
July	21
August	18
September	15
October	20
November	17
December	15

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OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Memorandum

November 24, 2021

To: Town Council

From: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator
Alecia Alleyne, Assistant to the Town Administrator

Re: Resolution 21-80: Cable Funds in Support of PEG Service

The Massachusetts Department of Revenue requires the Town Council to vote to appropriate PEG funds received from Comcast and Verizon to an established revolving account.

Please find the attached resolution to appropriate \$180,038.11 in PEG funds received from the Third Quarter of 2021 from Verizon and Comcast to the Cable Access Corporation.

Please feel free to call with any questions.



TOWN OF FRANKLIN RESOLUTION 21-80

APPROPRIATION: Cable Funds in Support of PEG Service and Programming per MGL Ch. 44, §53F3/4

TOTAL REQUESTED: \$ 180,038.11

PURPOSE: To appropriate \$180,038.11 from the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund created under MGL Ch. 44, §53F3/4, representing the amount received in the previous quarter, to be paid to Franklin Cable Access Corp. to operate the cable access studio and otherwise fund its operations.

MOTION: Be it Moved and Voted by the Town Council that the sum of \$180,038.11 be appropriated from the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund created under MGL Ch. 44, §53F3/4, to be paid to Franklin Cable Access Corp. to operate the cable access studio and otherwise fund its operations.

This resolution shall become effective according to the provisions of the Town of Franklin Home Rule Charter.

DATED: _____, 2021

VOTED: _____

UNANIMOUS: _____

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

YES: _____ **NO:** _____

ABSTAIN: _____ **ABSENT:** _____

RECUSED: _____

Nancy Danello, CMC
Town Clerk

Glenn Jones, Clerk
Franklin Town Council

TOWN OF FRANKLIN

Check #

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL PAYMENTS TO TREASURER

Turnover Number:

Department:
ADMINISTRATION
123

Date: November 10, 2021

FROM WHOM	DESCRIPTION	CODE	AMOUNT	TOTAL
Third Quarter fees Check Number	Comcast Cable TV	VERCBL	1	\$ 82,545.14
Third Quarter fees Check Number	Comcast Cable TV	VERCBL	1	\$ 8,401.02
TOTAL				\$ 90,946.16

To the Town Accountant:

The above is a detailed list of moneys collected by me, amounting in the aggregate to:

Ninety Thousand, Nine Hundred Forty Six Dollars and Sixteen Cents

for the period ending November 10, 2021

Town Treasurer, whose receipt I hold therefor.

which I have paid to the

Signature _____
Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator

Signature _____
Julie McCann, Executvie Assistant

Date: November 10, 2021

To the Departmental Officer making the Payment:

Received of ADMINISTRATION

the sum of

Ninety Thousand, Nine Hundred Forty Six Dollars and Sixteen Cents

for the period ending November 10, 2021

for collection as per schedule of this date, filed in my office.

_____, Town Treasurer

TOWN OF FRANKLIN

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL PAYMENTS TO TREASURER

Turnover Number:

Department:
ADMINISTRATION
123

Date: November 22, 2021

FROM WHOM	DESCRIPTION	CODE	AMOUNT	TOTAL
Third Quarter fees - Check #	Verizon Cable TV	VERCBL	1	\$ 80,992.68
Third Quarter fees - Check #	Verizon Cable TV	VERCBL	1	\$ 8,099.27
TOTAL				\$ 89,091.95

To the Town Accountant:

The above is a detailed list of moneys collected by me, amounting in the aggregate to:

Eighty Nine Thousand Ninety One Dollars and Ninety Five Cents

for the period ending November 22, 2021

Town Treasurer, whose receipt I hold therefor.

which I have paid to the

Signature _____
Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator

Signature _____
Julie McCann, Executive Assistant

Date: November 22, 2021

To the Departmental Officer making the Payment:

Received of ADMINISTRATION

the sum of

Eighty Nine Thousand Ninety One Dollars and Ninety Five Cents

for the period ending November 22, 2021

for collection as per schedule of this date, filed in my office.

_____, Town Treasurer

Town of Franklin

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OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Memorandum

November 24, 2021

To: Town Council
From: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator
Alecia Alleyne, Assistant to the Town Administrator
Re: **Resolution 21-81 Gift Acceptance – Veterans’ Services Department & Agricultural Commission**

The Veterans’ Services Department and the Agricultural Commission have received exceptionally generous donations totaling \$1,615.00.

The donations to the Franklin Veterans’ Services Department will be applied towards the Veterans’ Municipal Assistance Fund and used at the Department’s discretion to help support local veterans and their families.

The donation to the Agricultural Commission will be applied at the Commission’s discretion towards the organization of future community programs and events that promote, develop and foster agricultural resources in the Town of Franklin. We would like to thank everyone for their continued support of our local services.

Donation Summary:

1. VETERANS’ SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Monument Restoration Fund

- Knights of Columbus \$200

Municipal Assistance Fund

- Robert Moreau \$300
- Tina Powderly \$100
- Heather Young \$100
- Erica Lerch \$100
- Hilary Perry \$100
- Charles & Jane Maguire \$100
- Kathleen Mehler \$100
- Diane Alexander \$ 50
- James & Evelyn Harmon \$ 50
- Lawrence Benedetto \$ 50
- Maureen Creasia \$ 50
- Jane Leung \$ 50
- Jane Giallonardo \$ 30
- Eileen Burnard \$ 25
- Doris Duggan & Kathleen Duggan \$ 10

Total: \$1,415

2. AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

- Franklin Farmers' Market \$200

DONATION TOTAL \$1,615.00

If you have any additional questions please feel free to ask.



**TOWN OF FRANKLIN
RESOLUTION 21-81**

**Acceptance of Gifts – Veterans’ Services Department
Agricultural Commission**

WHEREAS, The Veterans’ Services Department and Agricultural Commission have received generous donations totaling \$1,615.00 to be used at the discretion of each respective department as follows:

Donation Summary:

VETERANS SERVICES DEPARTMENT - \$1,415.00

1. Veterans’ Monument Restoration Fund - \$200
 - Knights of Columbus
2. Veterans' Municipal Assistance Fund - \$1,215
 - Please see attached memo dated November 24, 2021 for list of donors.

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION - \$200

3. Donation to be used towards the organization of future community programs and events
 - Donated by the Franklin Farmers’ Market

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Town Council of the Town of Franklin on behalf of the Veterans’ Services Department and Agricultural Commission gratefully accepts these generous donations to be used at the discretion of the Veterans’ Services Department and Agricultural Commission as described above.

This resolution shall become effective according to the provisions of the Town of Franklin Home Rule Charter.

DATED: _____, 2021

VOTED: _____

UNANIMOUS: _____

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

YES: _____ **NO:** _____

ABSTAIN: _____ **ABSENT:** _____

RECUSED: _____

**Nancy Danello, CMC
Town Clerk**

**Glenn Jones, Clerk
Franklin Town Council**