# FRANKLIN TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING December 14, 2022

A meeting of the Town Council was held on Wednesday, December 14, 2022, at the Municipal Building, 2nd Floor, Council Chambers, 355 East Central Street, Franklin, MA. Councilors present: Brian Chandler, Theodore Cormier-Leger, Robert Dellorco, Cobi Frongillo, Melanie Hamblen, Glenn Jones, Thomas Mercer, Deborah Pellegri, Patrick Sheridan. Councilors absent: None. Administrative personnel in attendance: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator; Mark Cerel, Town Attorney; Alecia Alleyne, Assistant to the Town Administrator.

**CALL TO ORDER:** ► Chair Mercer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Chair Mercer called for a moment of silence. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: ▶ Chair Mercer reviewed the following as posted on the agenda. A Note to Residents: All citizens are welcome to attend public board and committee meetings in person. Meetings are live-streamed by Franklin TV and shown on Comcast Channel 11 and Verizon Channel 29. In an effort to maximize citizen engagement opportunities, citizens will be able to continue to participate remotely via phone or Zoom. He announced that this meeting is being recorded by Franklin TV; this meeting may be recorded by others.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS: None.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: ► November 2, 2022 and November 16, 2022. ► MOTION to Approve the November 2, 2022 meeting minutes by Dellorco. SECOND by Hamblen. No discussion. ► VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.

► MOTION to Approve the November 16, 2022 meeting minutes by Dellorco. SECOND by Hamblen. No discussion. ► VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.

### PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS: None.

**APPOINTMENTS:** ► *Mark LePage - Conservation Commission.* ► Councilor Jones read the appointment. ► **MOTION** to **Ratify** the appointment by the Town Administrator of Mark LePage to serve as a Member of the Conservation Commission with a term to expire on June 30, 2024, by **Jones. SECOND** by **Dellorco. Discussion:** ► Mr. Hellen stated that this recommendation also comes from the Conservation Commission. ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.** 

- ► Alison Rheaume Disability Commission. ► Councilor Jones read the appointment. ► MOTION to Ratify the appointment by the Town Administrator of Alison Rheaume to serve as a Member of the Franklin Disability Commission to expire on June 30, 2025, by Jones. SECOND by Dellorco. Discussion: ► Mr. Hellen stated that both this and the next candidate for appointment are at tonight's meeting via Zoom. He thanked them both for their service. ► VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.
- ► Francesca Ricci Disability Commission. ► Councilor Jones read the appointment. ► MOTION to Ratify the appointment by the Town Administrator of Francesca Ricci to serve as a Member of the Franklin Disability Commission with a term to expire on June 30, 2024, by Jones. SECOND by Dellorco. Discussion: ► Councilor Jones thanked the three candidates who were appointment at tonight's meeting for stepping up and helping out where there is a need. ► VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.

► Lloyd (Gus) Brown - Sealer of Weights and Measures. ► Councilor Jones read the appointment. ► MOTION to Ratify the appointment by the Town Administrator of Lloyd (Gus) Brown to serve as the Sealer of Weights and Measures for the Town of Franklin with a term to expire on June 30, 2024, by Jones. SECOND by Dellorco. Discussion: ► Mr. Hellen stated that the state has ended their service of providing a Sealer of Weights and Measures; so, this is a transitionary process. Mr. Brown has agreed to take this on. He stated that he is working on a potential regional agreement with Norfolk County. ► Mr. Brown reviewed that the state has turned this over to towns with over 20,000 population. He stated that he went to a training class yesterday. He discussed that sealers do scales, scanners, and gas pumps. ► Town Council members asked questions and made comments. ► Mr. Brown stated that there are 134 scanners in town and 450 scales. ► VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.

**HEARINGS: None.** 

LICENSE TRANSACTIONS: ► 2023 Annual Alcohol License Renewals. ► Councilor Jones read the license transaction for the 2023 Town of Franklin Alcohol Licenses Renewals; he read aloud the list that was provided in the Town Council members' meeting packet. ► MOTION to Approve the renewal of alcoholic beverages licenses listed on the attached Renewal List for the year 2023 with the issuance of licenses that have inspections, fees or taxes outstanding to be withheld (physically held in the Town Administrator's Office) until all items are resolved by Jones. SECOND by Dellorco. Discussion: ► Ms. Alleyne stated that everything is looking good so far. She stated that there are nine still pending inspection; they have all gone through their initial inspections and they are waiting for them to make any fixes/improvements that resulted from that inspection. She stated that nothing will be issued until everyone is in compliance and then they will be notified they can come and pick up their license. ► Town Council members asked questions and made comments. ► Ms. Alleyne confirmed the establishments will be reminded about the requirement to serve food. ► VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.

PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS: Franklin Library Association Presentation of Gift - Scott *Nolan, President, FLA.* ► Mr. Hellen stated that unfortunately, the individuals representing FLA are unable to attend tonight's meeting; however, Library Director Felicia Oti is in attendance. He stated that the first resolution on tonight's agenda is the donation to the library. He stated that throughout the FLA's tenure, they have donated about \$.5 million. ►Ms. Oti discussed the history of FLA; it is an organization that is about two centuries old. This group formed to make sure the Benjamin Franklin books were preserved and accessible to the public. She stated that they ran the library until 1982 when the Town took over. Then, they turned their focus to preservation, restoration, and digitization which they have done with \$.5 million. She stated that the FLA's plan was always to dissolve eventually when the funds ran out. She stated that we want to honor them. She stated that the FLA is not here today to express our gratitude; however, Mr. Hellen and she will let them know how grateful we are. ▶ Councilor Pellegri stated it is wonderful what the association has done. ►Ms. Oti discussed that the FLA funds started the work of restoring the murals; all the murals are restored except in the Reading Room. She stated that she is hoping that the Preservation Committee may be able to provide the funding to finish that work. ▶ Councilor Pellegri read aloud a proclamation honoring the Franklin Library Association for their legacy of extraordinary contributions to the Franklin Public Library.

## **LEGISLATION FOR ACTION:**

**Note:** Two-Thirds Vote requires six votes; Majority Vote requires majority of members present and voting.

a. Resolution 22-86: Gift Acceptance - Franklin Public Library (\$70,000) (Motion to Approve Resolution 22-86 - Majority Vote). ► Councilor Jones read the resolution. ► MOTION to Approve Resolution 22-86: Gift Acceptance - Franklin Public Library (\$70,000) by Dellorco. SECOND by

**Hamblen. Discussion**: ► Chair Mercer stated thank you to the Franklin Library Association. ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.** 

PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS (continued): ► Snow Removal Presentation: Robert "Brutus" Cantoreggi, Director of Public Works. ► Mr. Robert Cantoreggi, Director; Mr. Carlos Rebelo, Highway & Grounds Superintendent; and Mr. Tony Brunetta, Assistant Highway & Grounds Superintendent, addressed the Town Council. Mr. Cantoreggi stated that everyone in the Public Works Department participates in snow removal; he introduced the DPW staff in attendance at the meeting. He reviewed the snow removal priorities: roadways, public buildings/schools, and sidewalks. He reviewed that these priorities were established with cooperation of the School and Police Departments. He reviewed the 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, and have all roadways cleared, i.e., showing some asphalt, less than one inch of snow and ice within four hours of the end of the storm. He reviewed the FY23 approved budget: \$1,056,500 with \$396,000 for road treatments salt. He reviewed the FY22 costs. There were 25 events with 44 inches of snow; the total cost was \$1,285,669 with \$429,987 for 5,800 tons of salt. He discussed that they do not use sand anymore as it is a stormwater issue; they use 100 percent salt. He discussed the five-truck route versus treating the whole town. Treating the whole town using 14 sanders costs \$33,740 whereas the five-truck route using six sanders costs \$10.440. He discussed environmental concerns regarding rising salt levels in the water supply. In 2000 it was at 17.4 ppm; in 2021 it was at 66.0 ppm. He stated that there is salt in the water. He reviewed that there are 35 pieces of DPW equipment on the road at one time for internal staff resulting in the DPW employee costs at \$1,537 per hour. He stated that he likes to have 80 pieces of hired equipment; however, they are not quite there yet. The contractor costs are at \$10,450 per hour. He reviewed that there are over 35 miles of sidewalks identified for snow removal operations. He said challenges are affected by timing of storm, length of storm, type of snow, and amount of snow. He reviewed the time to clear sidewalks: less than six inches of snow, snow plows are used and it takes approximately one day; more than six inches of snow, snow blowers are used and it takes approximately two to three days. He discussed the worker shortage. He reviewed Public Works employee vacancies, new Public Works employees, good economy/Covid, contractors cannot find drivers, insurance costs/requirements, CDL requirements, lost equipment to private properties, and folks just do not want to plow anymore. The effect is a 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, and delays in repairing potholes/other work. He stated that the safety of the residents and employees will always be our number one priority. He discussed that what they have done includes: improved union contract rates/hours, raised contractor plowing rates, reviewed insurance requirements and internal communications, changed plow routes, proper maintenance and calibration of salting equipment, new equipment, weather services, and cameras. Items that can affect response include: timing of storm (day of week, hour of day), duration of storm, amount and type of precipitation, temperature during storm, weather pattern of warm to cold or cold to warm, frost in/on ground, month of storm, and recent storm activity. He explained what they do to prepare 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 review. He reviewed the Town bylaws regarding no pushing snow into the roadway and the winter storm overnight parking ban. He explained that there is no salt for the public available at the DPW yard. He reviewed fire hydrants are to be cleared by residents, basketball hoops are not allowed in the public right-of-way, the mailbox policy is \$50 if your mailbox is hit by a plow, and the top 10 complaints from residents. ▶ Town Council members asked questions and made comments. In response, Mr. Cantoreggi discussed sidewalk priorities; there is an established map. He stated that sidewalk plows are \$140,000 per machine. Chair Mercer stated that Councilor Frongillo was asking who set the criteria for doing roads before sidewalks. ► Mr. Hellen stated that roadways are critical arteries for all emergency response. ► Chair Mercer stated that if you do not plow the roads first and you plow the sidewalks, when you plow the roads, it will be

pushed back onto the sidewalks. Councilor Frongillo reviewed his explanation regarding clearing sidewalks. He asked if the Town Council has any way to give feedback to the DPW regarding snow removal. ► Mr. Hellen stated that a rural road is a very vulnerable area. He discussed one area is to determine how to give DPW more staff and equipment and how to pull in the responsibilities of the community to do their part in shoveling the sidewalks in front of their businesses, etc. Mr. Hellen explained that he has never been asked about a policy; when there is a storm, it is about getting it done and safety. Mr. Cantoreggi reviewed that the order of plowing was established by police, fire, public safety, and the school department. Councilor Pellegri asked why the DPW cannot put in a different location the salt mixture for the public to have access to. She suggested the Town Council look back at the rescinded bylaw regarding people clearing their sidewalks. ►Mr. Cantoreggi discussed that most people walking are around the downtown area. \rightarrow Councilor Dellorco discussed snow removal and the importance of plowing roads for emergency vehicles and public safety. He reviewed the labor shortage. He stated that the sidewalks get done, if a few days later. He stated that the DPW does a great job. ►Mr. Cantoreggi reviewed roads that are maintained by the state. ▶ Town Council members thanked the DPW for all the work they do. Councilor Jones noted that safety is a priority; the DPW knows how to do their job of snow removal. ▶ Chair Mercer thanked Mr. Cantoreggi and the entire DPW staff.

# **LEGISLATION FOR ACTION (continued):**

- b. Resolution 22-87: Gift Acceptance Veterans' Services Department (\$565) (Motion to Approve Resolution 22-87 Majority Vote). ► Councilor Jones read the resolution. ► MOTION to Approve Resolution 22-87: Gift Acceptance Veterans' Services Department (\$565) by Dellorco. SECOND by Hamblen. Discussion: ► Mr. Hellen thanked everyone who donated. He stated that it is amazing how many people in town donate; he thanked them for their generosity. ► VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.
- c. Bylaw Amendment 22-888: Chapter 170, Vehicles And Traffic, Section 170-22, Subsection A, Location of Stop Signs First Reading (Motion to Move Bylaw Amendment 22-888 to a second reading Majority Vote). ► Councilor Jones read the bylaw amendment. ► MOTION to Move Bylaw Amendment 22-888: Chapter 170, Vehicles And Traffic, Section 170-22, Subsection A, Location of Stop Signs to a second reading by Dellorco. SECOND by Hamblen. Discussion: ► Mr. Hellen stated that this is a first reading to accept three stop signs located on streets that the Town has recently accepted. He explained that it was agreed to have an annual cleanup of the bylaw on signs the last couple of years. ► VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.
- d. Resolution 22-88: Local Acceptance of MGL Ch40, Section 5B, Fourth Paragraph (Motion to Approve Resolution 22-88 Majority Vote). ► Councilor Jones read the resolution. ► MOTION to Approve Resolution 22-88: Local Acceptance of MGL Ch40, Section 5B, Fourth Paragraph by Dellorco. SECOND by Hamblen. Discussion: ► Mr. Hellen stated that he was speaking for the next two resolutions, both relate to the opioid settlement and the creation of the stabilization fund. He discussed that establishing a Stabilization Account is the preference to receive the money and then appropriate the money. This ensures these funds over the next 20 years stay off the operating budget books which is better for accounting and keeps the operating budget cleaner. ► VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.
- e. Resolution 22-89: Creation of the Massachusetts Statewide Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund, as Authorized b GL Chapter 40, Section 5B (Motion to Approve Resolution 22-89 Two-Thirds Majority Vote). ► Councilor Jones read the resolution. ► MOTION to Approve Resolution 22-89: Creation of the Massachusetts Statewide Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund, as Authorized b GL Chapter 40, Section 5B by Dellorco. SECOND by Hamblen. No discussion. ► VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.

- Resolution 22-90: Authorization of and Appropriation for Purchase of Three Parcels of Unimproved Land (Motion to Approve Resolution 22-90 - Majority Vote). ► MOTION to Waive the reading by Dellorco. SECOND by Jones. No discussion. VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0. ► MOTION to Approve Resolution 22-90: Authorization of and Appropriation for Purchase of Three Parcels of Unimproved Land by **Dellorco. SECOND** by **Hamblen. Discussion**: ►Mr. Hellen discussed that with the purchase of Schmidt Farm, Kathy and David Dalzell called the Town to offer the Town 17 acres of forest adjacent to Schmidt Farm. The asking price is \$250,000. This purchase will officially tally 200 acres of open space protected in the Town of Franklin in the past 18 months. He stated that this is the definition of community preservation. He noted that the signed P&S from the Dalzell family is in the meeting packet as well as some pictures. He stated that the Dalzell family also owned two small portions of land in Mine Brook that the Town will also be accepting. They are lands that cannot be improved upon and are in the swamp. The P&S includes all of those parcels to make everything easier. He explained that with tonight's vote, we can move to close on the property. He expressed that it goes without saving how much the Town should thank the Dalzell family for their incredible generous outreach to us to ensure this property permanently stays as open space forever. He stated that the family had other options; however, their family has always wanted to preserve it. ► Chair Mercer thanked the Dalzell family for this opportunity. ► Town Council members made comments and thanked all those who made this possible. ▶ Mr. Cerel explained that there are three parcels in the deed; the one in the Pond Street area is difficult to locate. ►VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.
- Resolution 22-91: Authorization for Town Administrator to Submit American Rescue Plan Act Applications to Norfolk County (Motion to Approve Resolution 22-91 - Majority Vote). ► Councilor Jones read the resolution. ► MOTION to Approve Resolution 22-91: Authorization for Town Administrator to Submit American Rescue Plan Act Applications to Norfolk County by **Dellorco. SECOND** by **Hamblen. Discussion**: ► Mr. Hellen discussed that he is asking the Town Council to authorize the Town Administrator to execute any and all documents and/or to take any and all other action required for the Town to receive ARPA funds for Janie Avenue neighborhood water main replacements. The total project estimate is \$1,055,090. This authorization is to apply for Norfolk County ARAP funds, which as discussed before are more limited due to federal law. As outlined in previous presentations, infrastructure is the most allowable use. This appropriation will ensure ratepayers do not need to subsidize these improvements and assist in stabilizing water rates. He stated that he anticipates it will take 60 days to get the funds, which is right on target for the spring constriction season. ▶ Town Council members asked questions and made comments. ▶ Councilor Frongillo asked why did this neighborhood get pushed to the top.  $\blacktriangleright$  Mr. Hellen noted that the county money is more restrictive and these are easily qualifiable projects; we are trying to do projects that qualify for these ARPA funds. He stated that in terms of the selection of the neighborhood, he defers to Mr. Cantoreggi. Mr. Cantoreggi stated that they have an asset management plan that they have been working on and they have been able to move things up. It has been looked at 10 years ago as far as priorities of needing a new water main and new road; we will be ahead of schedule. **VOTE**: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.
- h. Resolution 22-92: Cable Funds in Support of PEG Service and Programming per MGL Ch. 44, §53F3/4 (Motion to Approve Resolution 22-92 Majority Vote). ► MOTION to Waive the reading by Cormier-Leger. SECOND by Dellorco. No discussion. ► VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.
  ► MOTION to Approve Resolution 22-92: Cable Funds in Support of PEG Service and Programming per MGL Ch. 44, §53F3/4 by Dellorco. SECOND by Hamblen. No discussion.
  ► VOTE: Yes-8, No-1, Absent-0. (Councilor Pellegri voted No.)

i. Resolution 22-95: Gift Acceptance - Recreation Department (\$109,832.25) (Motion to Approve Resolution 22-95 - Majority Vote). ► Councilor Jones read the resolution. ► MOTION to Approve Resolution 22-95: Gift Acceptance - Recreation Department (\$109,832.25) by Dellorco. SECOND by Hamblen. Discussion: ► Recreation Director Ryan Jette (via Zoom) thanked the Vendetti family for their extremely generous donation. He reviewed the past donations of the Vendetti family for the Recreation facilities. He stated that there will be a new plaque with the dedication date at the facility. ► Town Council members thanked the Vendetti family. ► VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.

**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:** ► Mr. Hellen stated that there will be a Winter Wonderland party at the Senior Center tomorrow. He thanked the Town Council, Planning Board, School Committee, other committees, departments, staff, residents, and others for an incredible year. He stated that Ms. Alecia Alleyne will be leaving the Town of Franklin in a few weeks as she is taking a new job in Boston. He thanked her and wished her the best in her future endeavors.

#### **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- a. Capital Budget Subcommittee. ► None.
- b. **Budget Subcommittee.** ► None.
- c. **Economic Development Subcommittee.** ► Councilor Hamblen stated that the EDC plus Steering Committee met tonight before the Town Council meeting; they had a presentation about Chapter 40R and Smart Growth Zoning and Housing Production by Attorney Mark Bobrowski. The next EDC meeting is scheduled for January 4, 2023.
- d. **GATRA Advisory Board.** ▶ None.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:** ► Councilor Sheridan requested shoveling of sidewalks. ► Mr. Hellen stated this is on the EDC goals for the year. ► Councilor Pellegri said that she was also going to bring up the shoveling.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:** ► Councilor Cormier-Leger noted that a new scout to a troop in Franklin attended tonight's Town Council meeting; as a requirement she was to observe a Town Council meeting and take some notes. He stated the Town Council welcomes any other scouts who would like to attend. He wished everyone a safe and happy holiday season. ▶ Councilor Chandler said happy holidays to everyone. Councilor Pellegri wished everyone happy holidays. She said that she thinks they accomplished a lot this year. ► Councilor Sheridan wished everyone happy holidays. ► Councilor Frongillo noted office hours at the Senior Center tomorrow. He stated that they still had the Franklin First gift cards. ▶ Councilor Hamblen thanked the Franklin Library Association for 200 years of protecting the library and all their donations. She thanked all for all the donations this year. She reminded people to be kind. ▶ Councilor Jones stated that they can look back on 2022 and be proud of the accomplishments they have made. He wished all happy holidays. > Councilor Dellorco thanked everyone for their donations and the Town Council for all their hard work this year. He wished Ms. Alleyne the best. ▶ Chair Mercer said he was piggybacking on what everyone else has said. He thanked everyone in the community for their contributions big and small all year long. He thanked the Town Council members for doing a magnificent job leading the community. He thanked the administration and department heads and every Town employee both municipal and school for all they do to make the community the greatest community in Massachusetts.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** ▶ a. Exception #2: Contract negotiations with non-union personnel, namely: Town Administrator, and ▶ b. Exception #3: Strategy with respect to collective bargaining: Police Patrol, Police Sergeants and Fire Department unions. ▶ Chair Mercer stated there is a need for an executive session for Exception #2: Contract negotiations with non-union personnel, namely: Town Administrator, and Exception #3: Strategy with respect to collective bargaining: Police Patrol, Police Sergeants and Fire Department unions. ▶ Councilor Jones read the executive session statement. ▶ MOTION to Enter

executive session for the purposes of a. Exception #2: Contract negotiations with non-union personnel, namely: Town Administrator, and b. Exception #3: Strategy with respect to collective bargaining: Police Patrol, Police Sergeants and Fire Department unions because an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the Public Body, and we will return to open session, the Chair has so declared, by Jones. SECOND by Dellorco. No Discussion. ▶ ROLL CALL VOTE: Chandler-YES; Cormier-Leger-YES; Dellorco-YES; Frongillo-YES; Hamblen-YES; Jones-YES; Mercer-YES; Pellegri-YES; Sheridan-YES. ▶ VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.

Chair Mercer stated they would take two minutes and then enter executive session.

Open Session ended at 9:13 PM.

Open Session returned at 10:00 PM.

Chair Mercer called the Town Council meeting back to open session.

- a. Resolution 22-94: Salary Schedule: Full-Time Elected Official Town Clerk (Motion to Approve Resolution 22-94 Majority Roll Call Vote). ► Councilor Jones read the resolution. ► MOTION to Approve Resolution 22-94: Salary Schedule: Full-Time Elected Official Town Clerk by Dellorco. SECOND by Hamblen. Discussion: ► Councilor Cormier-Leger stated that the Town Council is voting on this based on a comp. plan given to the Town Council and it has nothing to do with the performance of the current Town Clerk; they are looking at the position, not the person. ► Chair Mercer stated that it was the result of the comp. and class plan that we spoke of a few months ago.
  ► ROLL CALL VOTE: Chandler-YES; Cormier-Leger-YES; Dellorco-YES; Frongillo-YES; Hamblen-YES; Jones-YES; Mercer-YES; Pellegri-YES; Sheridan-YES. ► VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.
- b. Resolution 22-93: Approval of Town Administrator's Contract (Motion to Approve Resolution 22-93 Majority Vote). ► Councilor Jones read the resolution. ► MOTION to Approve Resolution 22-93: Approval of Town Administrator's Contract by Dellorco. SECOND by Hamblen. No discussion. ► VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.

**ADJOURN:** ► **MOTION** to **Adjourn** by **Dellorco**. **SECOND** by **Jones**. **No Discussion**. ► **VOTE**: **Yes-9**, **No-0**, **Absent-0**.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,	
Judith Lizardi	
Recording Secretary	