

**FRANKLIN TOWN COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
July 21, 2021**

A meeting of the Town Council was held on Wednesday, July 21, 2021, at the Municipal Building, 2nd Floor, Council Chambers, 355 East Central Street, Franklin, MA. Councilors present: Andrew Bissanti, Brian Chandler, Robert Dellorco, Cobi Frongillo, Melanie Hamblen, Glenn Jones, Matthew Kelly, Thomas Mercer, Deborah Pellegrini. Councilors absent: None. Administrative personnel in attendance: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator; Mark Cerel, Town Attorney; Chrissy Whelton, Assistant to the Town Administrator; Alecia Alleyne, Administrative Assistant.

**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 now welcome to attend public board and committee meetings in person. Additionally, in an effort to maximize citizen engagement opportunities and comply with open meeting law regulations, citizens will be able to continue to dial into the meeting using the provided phone number (cell phone or landline required), or citizens can participate via Zoom by clicking on the attached link (phone, computer, or tablet required). The meetings will also be live-streamed by Franklin TV and shown on Comcast Channel 11 and Verizon Channel 29. He stated that this meeting is being recorded by Franklin TV and may also be recorded by others.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** ► Mr. Dale Kurtz, Veterans' Services Officer, reviewed that Purple Heart Day will be celebrated on August 7<sup>th</sup> with a luncheon at the Franklin Elks at 11:00 AM. All veterans are invited; he asked veterans to contact his office if they will be attending. Eighteen Purple Heart recipients will be recognized and eight Quilts of Valor will be presented to veterans. He noted a project underway to restore the monuments on the Town Common; a grant from the State has been received to help fund the project, but more assistance will be needed. Please contact the Veterans' Services Office if you would like to support the cause. ► Ms. Kerri Bertone, Treasurer/Collector, reminded citizens of the option to have paperless billing for real estate, personal property, and utility bills. She reviewed the process and noted that information is available on the Town's website. She encouraged residents to use the services.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** ► *May 26, 2021; May 27, 2021; June 9, 2021; June 23, 2021.*

► **MOTION to Approve** the May 26, 2021 meeting minutes by **Dellorco**. **SECOND** by **Jones**. **No discussion**. ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0**. ► **MOTION to Approve** the May 27, 2021 meeting minutes by **Dellorco**. **SECOND** by **Jones**. **No discussion**. ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0**.

► **MOTION to Approve** the June 9, 2021 meeting minutes by **Dellorco**. **SECOND** by **Jones**. **No discussion**. ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0**. ► **MOTION to Approve** the June 23, 2021 meeting minutes by **Hamblen**. **SECOND** by **Jones**. **No discussion**. ► **VOTE: Yes-7, No-0, Absent-0, Abstain-2 (Councilor Kelly and Councilor Dellorco abstained)**.

**PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS:** ► **Retirement: Patti Wyllie, Treasurer-Collector's Department**. ► Mr. Hellen noted the retirement of Ms. Patti Wyllie and stated that Ms. Bertone would make remarks. ► Ms. Bertone congratulated Ms. Wyllie on her 33 years of service with the Town of Franklin. She reviewed Ms. Wyllie's career history and volunteerism. She thanked Ms. Wyllie for her contribution to the Town and wished her well on her retirement. ► Representative Jeff Roy read aloud a resolution from the House of Representatives to Ms. Wyllie on her retirement. ► Councilor Pellegrini read aloud a proclamation from the Town Council to Ms. Wyllie on her retirement. ► Ms. Wyllie thanked the employees, department heads, and residents of Franklin for her years working for the Town. ► Mr. Hellen thanked Ms. Wyllie for her years of service.

► **Retirement: Tommy Grundstrom, DPW.** ► Mr. Hellen stated that DPW employee Tommy Grundstrom fixes problems during sewer breaks and other DPW events. ► Mr. Doug Martin, Water and Sewer Superintendent, noted that Mr. Grundstrom has worked for the DPW for 26 years; he reviewed Mr. Grundstrom's career history. He wished Mr. Grundstrom the best of luck in his retirement.

► Representative Jeff Roy read aloud a resolution from the House of Representatives to Mr. Grundstrom on his retirement. ► Councilor Chandler read aloud a proclamation from the Town Council to Mr. Grundstrom on his retirement. ► Mr. Grundstrom thanked the Town Council for always providing the equipment and supplies needed to get the job done. He stated that Franklin is a great community to work for and live in.

► **Recognition: Ndoumbe Ndoye, Franklin High School, Commonwealth Heroines Award.** ► Councilor Frongillo read aloud a proclamation from the Town Council to Ms. Ndoye on her Commonwealth Heroines Award. ► Ms. Ndoye asked Ms. Thomas, a junior at Franklin High School, to join her to speak about the mentoring program. Ms. Ndoye reviewed the mentoring program and the confidence they try to instill in younger students of color. She thanked Councilor Frongillo, Dr. Ahern, and other administrators for allowing her to speak her opinions and speak her voice.

#### **APPOINTMENTS: None.**

**HEARINGS: 7:10 PM.** ► **Zoning Bylaw Amendment 21-872: To Amend The Franklin Town Code At Chapter 185, Section 3, Definitions, Tasting Room.** ► **Chair Mercer declared the public hearing open.**

► Mr. Hellen stated that later in the agenda is the second and final reading of a bylaw change that has been endorsed unanimously by the EDC and with a 4 to 1 vote by the Planning Board. A tasting room is a room attached to a brewery, distillery, or winery that allows patrons to sample or consume wine, beer, or other alcoholic beverages that are produced on site. He reviewed that the former bylaw stated that a tasting room "may not be greater than 25 percent of the main building's gross square footage." This bylaw will strike that former language and redefine a tasting room as an "accessory use to the primary brewery, distillery, or winery use." ► Councilor Hamblen, EDC Chair, reviewed the discussion process of this item; she stated that it will help new businesses. ► **Chair Mercer declared the public hearing closed.**

**LICENSE TRANSACTIONS:** ► **Dean College: New Section 12 All Alcoholic Beverages License, Located at 135 Emmons Street, Franklin, MA.** ► Councilor Jones read the license transaction.

► **MOTION to Approve** the request by Dean College for a New Section 12 All Alcoholic Beverages License and to approve the manager, Kenneth F. Corkran by **Jones. SECOND** by **Hamblen. Discussion:**

► Mr. Hellen reviewed his memorandum to the Town Council dated July 16, 2021. He stated that Dean College came before the Council at the April 15, 2020 and May 6, 2020 meetings for a New Section 12 All Alcoholic Beverages Liquor License. At the conclusion of the hearing, this license was denied with a 4-4 tie vote, which is not the required number of votes needed to pass. Subsequently, Dean College appealed this decision with the state Alcohol Beverages Control Commission (ABCC) in May of 2020. A hearing was conducted with the ABCC on November 4, 2020. After the appeal, the ABCC determined that there was no legally valid reason for this license to be denied by the local board. They recommended approval and have requested the Town Council approve the license. As requested by the state ABCC, the license application is in front of the Council for reconsideration. The vote before the Town Council will be to approve or deny the application from Dean College for a New Section 12 All Alcoholic Beverages License to be located at 135 Emmons Street, Franklin, MA. The license before the Council does still include the three (3) conditions outlined by the Council and the proponent: 1. Sale/Service of alcoholic beverages only to Dean College faculty, staff, alumni, students and their guests and other authorized individuals; 2. Sale/Service of alcoholic beverages limited to the following areas: Boomer's, Golder Room, Guidrey Center, Atrium, Dining Center, Mainstage and the Campus Center Concourse; and 3. Sale/Service of alcoholic beverages at no more than three (3) events at the same time. To date, the Town

has spent \$2,012.50 for outside counsel to represent the community throughout the appeal process.

► Town Council members asked questions. ► Mr. Cerel stated that the ABCC's decision is not binding upon the Town Council; it is a recommendation. If the Town Council disregards the recommendation, the applicant can appeal to the Superior Court. The Superior Court would act as though the ABCC hearing did not take place and would go back to the original hearing held by the Town Council and review it to determine whether or not to uphold the Town Councils' original decision. However, the ABCC is a recognized agency for their expertise of the law. He noted that this is not a public hearing; it is at Chair Mercer's discretion as to whether the public can speak on this item. ► Chair Mercer stated that he would allow representatives from Dean College to speak. ► Councilor Chandler stated that this is about safety towards the kids. He confirmed that Mr. Ken Corkran of Dean College would be the manager. He stated that according to the ABCC, up to 20 percent of alcohol accidents are by pedestrians. He expressed concern that the ABCC stated that the Town Council was arbitrary and capricious. ► Mr. Corkran stated that he did not know how old a person has to be in Massachusetts to tend bar. He stated that it would not be students, but rather Sodexo employees, who would tend bar. He discussed the situations in which Franklin Police are called regarding an assault. ► Councilor Bissanti discussed the previous decision by the Town Council regarding this liquor license request. He stated that it almost seems like the Town Council now has no choice. He stated that if they are going to sue us, so be it; it is not going to sway his decision. He stated that he was elected to represent the people of Franklin. This Town Council has to think long and hard and not be bullied by the threat of a lawsuit or Superior Court. He stated that we were voted to represent the people of Franklin. ► Councilor Dellorco stated that if the ABCC is going to tell us what to do, why don't they just give out the licenses. Dean College is supposed to be good neighbors, but they are here threatening to take us to Superior Court. ► Mr. Hellen stated that just over \$2,000 has been spent on outside legal counsel to represent the community regarding the appeal at the ABCC. He is not aware of a threat of a lawsuit. ► Councilor Jones noted that in the past four years Dean College has had no incidents with their one-day licenses. He stated that based on facts, he continues to be in support of this license. ► Chair Mercer stated that this license is for events only; there will be no pub open in the Campus Center that the kids go into on a regular basis. ► Councilor Frongillo clarified the ABCC's role. ► Mr. Cerel reviewed sections of the law and the ABCC's advice. ► Mr. Hellen stated that this is a complicated and convoluted system. This is not uncommon practice between the local licensing agency and the ABCC regarding liquor licensing in Massachusetts. ► Councilor Kelly asked what is the mechanism to test to make sure underaged students do not get into an event. He noted that there are many abutters to Dean College that have poor relationships with the college due to student behavior; community outreach is needed by Dean College to the neighbors. ► Mr. Dave Drucker, Dean of Students at Dean College, stated that they are having conversations with the residents. ► Councilor Kelly suggested that the Town Council should be involved in these community outreach meetings. ► Councilor Pellegri asked if other colleges are trying to have liquor licenses. She asked what type of events need this license. She stated concern about 18-year-old students serving alcohol. She stated that she wanted to see Franklin Police do a detail at the college whenever they have an event with a full liquor license for safety reasons. ► Mr. Drucker stated that they may use this license for alumni events, homecoming, and VIPs who come to the college to speak. He stated that the college does not intend to have anyone 18 years old selling alcohol. He stated that there is law enforcement and security already at the college. He noted that the college has a very good relationship with Franklin Police and reach out to them when needed. ► Councilor Hamblen asked about the number and size of events. She confirmed there could not be more than three events at one time. She noted that at the last hearing she voted yes for this. ► Mr. Drucker stated it is probably 70/30 small events to large events. ► Chair Mercer asked for one more condition on the license: since no one under 21 will be allowed into an event serving alcohol, that would include any bartender, as well. ► Mr. Drucker stated that was acceptable. ► Mr. Cerel stated that if they agree to it, it can be added. ► Councilor Bissanti stated that it should be kept in mind that with the license they can have up to three events every day; this is a recipe for disaster on the campus. He will not condone this. ► Councilor Pellegri confirmed only those 21 years of age or older could enter these events. ► Ms. Jane Callaway-Tripp, 607 Maple Street, stated concerns including that the license should only be for one event

in one location per day. She asked if Dean is paying their food and alcohol taxes. She noted that by allowing the license, the Franklin Police will be taxed as people will be drunk, leave the campus, and be on Town of Franklin property. She stated that once they have this license, they can have as many events as they want, and this is a school. She questioned why the one-day liquor licenses were handed out so freely in the past from the Town Administrator's office. ► Mr. William Johnson, 194 Union Street, stated that Dean College is not good people. He stated that the Town Council should go to his house on the weekends when the Dean kids are drinking; it is a living nightmare. If you call Dean Security, they say that they really can't do anything. Mr. Johnson said there is going to be spillover from these events into his yard which backs up to the college dorms. He said that if you think they are going to hold only 30 events, that is crazy. They are going to try to make money. He said laser pointers and beer bottles are coming into his windows and yard, and the college has done nothing about this. He stated that he pays his taxes; this is not the Franklin he wants to see. ► A Dean College alumni asked if Dean would be renting space to outside parties who may want to have an event. She wanted the names of other colleges that currently have an all-alcohol license. ► Mr. Hellen stated that the overwhelming majority of colleges have an all-alcohol license. ► A resident on Chestnut Street confirmed with Mr. Cerel that the ABCC's decision is not binding on the Town; it is a recommendation. He stated that he has talked to many seniors in Town and none of them are in favor of this. This Town Council is in charge, not the ABCC. He stated that the college wants an open-ended type of thing for 365 days a year with up to three events per day. There is a chance that they could lose control of this; this could be a mistake. ► A resident on Elm Street stated agreement with Councilor Chandler. It seems like the 30 one-day permits would be enough. There are approximately 300 students at 21 years old on campus that the college seems to be catering to with this license. Liquor licenses are gold to a business, and the college is a business. This should be fought at the State level. ► **ROLL CALL VOTE: Bissanti-NO; Chandler-NO; Dellorco-YES; Frongillo-YES; Hamblen-YES; Jones-YES; Kelly-YES; Mercer-YES; Pellegrini-YES. ► VOTE: Yes-7, No-2, Absent-0.**

► Mr. Cerel asked that the three original conditions and the fourth condition outlined during this meeting be noted. ► Chair Mercer stated that Councilor Jones noted it. ► Councilor Pellegrini asked Mr. Hellen to regularly check on the number of events and any problems they may have. ► Chair Mercer confirmed this is a one-year license. ► Councilor Dellorco asked the college representatives to have a meeting with Mr. Johnson regarding his concerns; Councilor Dellorco said he would attend such a meeting. ► Chair Mercer requested the college let the Town Council know of the meeting so some councilors can attend.

#### **PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS: None.**

#### **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- a. **Capital Budget Subcommittee.** ► None.
- b. **Budget Subcommittee.** ► None.
- c. **Economic Development Subcommittee.** ► Ms. Hamblen stated that they met tonight and discussed the EDC's goals. They have a few things to continue to work on such as way-finding signs.

#### **LEGISLATION FOR ACTION:**

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

- a. **Resolution 21-40: Gift acceptance - Franklin Public Library, \$24,850 (Motion to Approve Resolution 21-40 - Majority Vote).** ► Councilor Jones read the resolution. ► **MOTION to Approve Resolution 21-40: Gift acceptance - Franklin Public Library, \$24,850 by Dellorco. SECOND by Hamblen. Discussion:** ► Mr. Hellen thanked the donators for their generosity. ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**

- b. **Resolution 21-41: Gift acceptance - Veterans Services Department, \$700 (Motion to Approve Resolution 21-41 - Majority Vote).** ► Councilor Jones read the resolution. ► **MOTION to Approve** Resolution 21-41: Gift acceptance - Veterans Services Department, \$700 by **Dellorco. SECOND** by **Hamblen. Discussion:** ► Mr. Hellen thanked the donators for their generosity. ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**
- c. **Resolution 21-42: Gift acceptance - Franklin Police Department, \$100 (Motion to Approve Resolution 21-42 - Majority Vote).** ► Councilor Jones read the resolution. ► **MOTION to Approve** Resolution 21-42: Gift acceptance - Franklin Police Department, \$100 by **Dellorco. SECOND** by **Hamblen. Discussion:** ► Mr. Hellen thanked the donators. ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**
- d. **Resolution 21-43: Gift acceptance - Franklin Fire Department, \$100 (Motion to Approve Resolution 21-43 - Majority Vote).** ► Councilor Jones read the resolution. ► **MOTION to Approve** Resolution 21-43: Gift acceptance - Franklin Fire Department, \$100 by **Dellorco. SECOND** by **Hamblen. Discussion:** ► Chair Mercer thanked the donators. ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**
- e. **Bylaw Amendment 21-870: Chapter 170, Vehicles and Traffic, Section 170-22, Subsection A, Location of Stop Signs - Second Reading (Motion to Adopt Bylaw Amendment 21-870 - Majority Roll Call Vote).** ► Councilor Jones read the bylaw amendment. ► **MOTION to Adopt** Bylaw Amendment 21-870: Chapter 170, Vehicles and Traffic, Section 170-22, Subsection A, Location of Stop Signs by **Dellorco. SECOND** by **Hamblen. Discussion:** ► Mr. Hellen reviewed that this is the final vote to put these stop signs in the Town Code. ► **ROLL CALL VOTE: Bissanti-YES; Chandler-YES; Dellorco-YES; Frongillo-YES; Hamblen-YES; Jones-YES; Kelly-YES; Mercer-YES; Pellegrini-YES.** ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**
- f. **Zoning Bylaw Amendment 21-872: To Amend The Franklin Town Code At Chapter 185, Section 3, Definitions, Tasting Room - Second Reading (Motion to Adopt Zoning Bylaw Amendment 21-872 - Two Thirds Majority Roll Call Vote).** ► Councilor Jones read the zoning bylaw amendment. ► **MOTION to Adopt** Zoning Bylaw Amendment 21-872: To Amend The Franklin Town Code At Chapter 185, Section 3, Definitions, Tasting Room by **Dellorco. SECOND** by **Hamblen. Discussion:** ► Mr. Hellen stated that this is the final reading and vote to remove the 25 percent requirement for a tasting room. ► Councilor Bissanti stated that the Planning Board was not totally in favor of this. ► **ROLL CALL VOTE: Bissanti-YES; Chandler-YES; Dellorco-YES; Frongillo-YES; Hamblen-YES; Jones-YES; Kelly-YES; Mercer-YES; Pellegrini-YES.** ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**
- g. **Resolution 21-44: Appropriating Funds by Borrowing and Transfer to Pay Costs of Land Acquisition: Land of Franklin LaBastie Family, LLC off Maple Street (Motion to Approve Resolution 21-44 -Two Thirds Majority Vote).** ► Councilor Jones read the resolution. ► **MOTION to Approve** Resolution 21-44: Appropriating Funds by Borrowing and Transfer to Pay Costs of Land Acquisition: Land of Franklin LaBastie Family, LLC off Maple Street by **Dellorco. SECOND** by **Hamblen. Discussion:** ► Mr. Hellen stated that these are the last two votes required to authorize the Town to borrow the money to purchase the property and exercise the Town's right of first refusal. This is a substantial and historic decision to purchase approximately 70 acres of open space. He thanked the entire team for putting this together. ► Councilor Pellegrini asked if CPA could be mentioned in the language. ► Mr. Hellen stated no as this is reviewed by outside bond counsel. ► Mr. Cerel stated that when borrowing, bond counsel makes the determination of the language. ► Finance Director Christopher Sandini confirmed Mr. Cerel's statement. ► **ROLL CALL VOTE: Bissanti-YES; Chandler-YES; Dellorco-YES; Frongillo-YES; Hamblen-YES; Jones-YES; Kelly-YES; Mercer-YES; Pellegrini-YES.** ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**

- h. Resolution 21-45: Town Of Franklin's Exercise Of Town's Chapter 61a, Section 14 First Refusal Option, Re: Land Of Franklin Labastie Family, LLC Off Maple Street (Motion to Approve Resolution 21-45 - Majority Vote).** ► Councilor Jones read the resolution. ► **MOTION to Approve** Resolution 21-45: Town Of Franklin's Exercise Of Town's Chapter 61a, Section 14 First Refusal Option, Re: Land Of Franklin Labastie Family, LLC Off Maple Street by **Dellorco. SECOND** by **Hamblen. No discussion.** ► **ROLL CALL VOTE: Bissanti-YES; Chandler-YES; Dellorco-YES; Frongillo-YES; Hamblen-YES; Jones-YES; Kelly-YES; Mercer-YES; Pellegrini-YES.** ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**

**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:** ► Mr. Hellen stated that they received a \$20,000 Shared Streets grant. He thanked the Chief of Police and DPW for this effort. This will allow for more outdoor dining areas in downtown. He thanked the Fourth of July Committee for their great job. He stated that the legislative delegation got a \$70,000 appropriation for a quiet zone study on the MBTA commuter rail line. He thanked Ms. Chrissy Whelton for her hard work over the past six years and wished her the best.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:** ► Councilor Frongillo stated that he will look forward to seeing complete streets and housing production plans. ► Councilor Bissanti stated that he would like to make a future presentation regarding the homeless. ► Councilor Pellegrini stated that she would like to discuss the parking situation in Town, especially Dean Avenue.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:** ► Councilor Pellegrini thanked the Fourth of July Committee for their great event. She gave condolences for Mary Louise Degnim who was an election worker for many years. ► Councilor Kelly wished Ms. Whelton the best in her future. He gave well wishes to Mr. Larry Bederian. ► Councilor Bissanti thanked the people in the audience who attended tonight's meeting and had the courage to speak up. ► Councilor Hamblen thanked the Town for voting for the CPA which gave the Town Council the opportunity to purchase the LaBastie property. She wished Ms. Whelton the best of luck. ► Councilor Chandler noted two bills in the legislature: the Nero bill and the sports betting bill. ► Councilor Frongillo stated that he is excited about shared streets. He stated the ArtWalk and Fourth of July were great, and he looks forward to upcoming events. ► Councilor Jones wished Ms. Whelton the best. He stated that he was proud to be able to vote on the LaBastie property tonight. He stated that the Town Council needs to sit down with Dean College to see how the relationship can be improved. ► Councilor Dellorco wished Ms. Whelton the best. He noted the SAFE Coalition meeting the other night. He thanked Representative Jeff Roy for the \$50,000 that was given to the SAFE Coalition. ► Chair Mercer thanked Ms. Whelton for all she has done for the Town Council. Regarding the land purchase, he thanked this Town Council and prior Town Councils for identifying this land as a piece to be looked at when it came available.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

► **Exception #2: Contract negotiations with non-union personnel, namely: Town Administrator.** ► Chair Mercer stated that the Town Council needs to meet in executive session for Exception #2: Contract negotiations with non-union personnel, namely, Town Administrator. He stated that the Town Council will be returning to open session following the executive session. ► **MOTION to Enter** executive session for the purpose of contract negotiations with non-union personnel, namely, Town Administrator, and open session will reconvene at the conclusion of the executive session by **Jones. SECOND** by **Dellorco. No Discussion.** ► **ROLL CALL VOTE: Bissanti-YES; Chandler-YES; Dellorco-YES; Frongillo-YES; Hamblen-YES; Jones-YES; Kelly-YES; Mercer-YES; Pellegrini-YES.** ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**

**Open Session ended at 9:27 PM.**

**Open Session reconvened at 9:42 PM.**

# **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

► *Vote on approving Administrator contract, subject to Executive Session outcome.*

## **LEGISLATION FOR ACTION:**

► **Resolution 21-39: Approval of Town Administrator's Contract (Motion to Approve Resolution 21-39 Majority Vote).** ► Councilor Jones read the resolution. ► **MOTION to Approve** Town Administrator's contract by **Mercer. SECOND** by **Delloreo. Discussion:** ► Chairmen Mercer highlights the notable changes in the Town Administrators contract; this contract will be effective from 7-1-21 through 6-30-26. The Town Administrator's FY22 salary will remain the same which is commensurate of the 2% COLA that all municipal employees and unions received. There are no new financial obligations in his contract, there is revised language that does not guarantee an annual increase but does make his annual increase equal to the percentage that all municipal employees receive for that respective fiscal year. The automatic 2% increases have been removed from his contract and the employee benefits have remained the same. The evaluation portion of the Town Administrator's contract has been revised to create an ad hoc subcommittee to review his performance and report back to the full Council ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**

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

**Meeting adjourned at 9:48 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Judith Lizardi  
Recording Secretary



**State That Drinks Most Alcohol,  
HOW MUCH IS CONSUMED WHERE YOU LIVE.**

Having a few drinks feels harmless, science has shown there is definitely consequences: U.S. Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC), alcohol consumption is responsible for 95,000 deaths a year in the US.

Should our goal be to make our community healthier, safer, a more pleasant place to live, work and spend our leisure time.

**#50-Utah-alcohol per person: 1.35 gallons**

**#18-Massachusetts-alcohol per person: 2.55 gallons**

This last 16 months (covid) we have followed the science of WHO as they are Global! Why not follow on this-THE GLOBAL STRATEGY TO REDUCE THE HARMFUL USE OF ALCOHOL-alcohol is a significant contributor to the global burden of disease and is listed as the third leading risk factor for premature deaths and disabilities in the world-I am confident that by working together towards the objectives of the global strategy, we can reduce the negative health and social consequences of the harmful use of alcohol and make our communities healthier , safer and more pleasant places in which to live, work and spend our leisure time. Dr Ala Alwan Assistant Director-General

Noncommunicable Diseases and Mental Health World Health Organization

JUNE 30, 2021- <https://bestlifeonline.com/news-state-most-alcohol/>

