

Town of Franklin

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Franklin, Massachusetts 02038-1352



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OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Memorandum

May 27, 2020

To: Town Council

From: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator

Re: Resolution 20-29: 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 \$170,897.29 in PEG funds received from the First Quarter of 2020 from Comcast and Verizon to the Cable Access Corporation.

Please feel free to call with any questions.



TOWN OF FRANKLIN RESOLUTION 20-29

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

TOTAL REQUESTED: \$ 170,897.29

PURPOSE: To appropriate \$170,897.29 from the PEG Access and Cable Related Funds 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 \$170,897.29 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: _____, 2020

VOTED: _____

UNANIMOUS: _____

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

YES: _____ **NO:** _____

ABSTAIN: _____ **ABSENT:** _____

RECUSED: _____

Teresa M. Burr, CMC
Town Clerk

Glenn Jones, Clerk
Franklin Town Council

TOWN OF FRANKLIN

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL PAYMENTS TO TREASURER

Turnover Number:

Department:
ADMINISTRATION
123

Date: May 15, 2020

FROM WHOM	DESCRIPTION	CODE	AMOUNT	TOTAL
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	Cable TV Franchise Fee	CAB123		
	Class II 2nd Hand Car Licenses	CAR123		
	Cable TV License	CBL123		
	Common Victual Licenses	CVC123		
	Permits - Administration	PER123		
	Rentals - Administration	REN123		
	Town Common - Gift	COM123		
	Cable Gift Revenues	123CBL		
	Recreation Improvements - Gift	REC123		
	Insurance Recovery	INS123		
	Transportation - Gift	TRN123		
	Welcome Sign - Gift	WEL123		
	Otherwise Unclassified Revenue - Other	UNC980		
First Quarter fees	Verizon Cable TV	VERCBL	\$ 8,686.75	\$ 8,686.75
First Quarter fees	Verizon Cable TV	VERCBL	\$ 80,499.96	\$ 80,499.96
TOTAL				\$ 89,186.71

To the Town Accountant:

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

Eighty Nine Thousand One Hundred Eighty Six Dollars and Seventy One Cents

for the period ending May 15, 2020

which I have paid to the

Town Treasurer, whose receipt I hold therefor.

Signature Alecia Alleyne

Alecia Alleyne, Administrative Assistant

Date: May 15, 2020

To the Departmental Officer making the Payment:

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

_____, Town Treasurer

PEG Grant Report 1st Quarter 2020

Town of Franklin

Verizon - fBA

Massachusetts

PEG Fee Rate: 0.500%

	January	February	March	Quarter Total
Monthly Recurring Cable Service Charges (e.g. Basic, Enhanced Basic, Premium and Equipment Rental)	\$512,467.97	\$492,580.29	\$497,183.47	\$1,502,231.73
Usage Based Charges (e.g. PayPer View, Installation)	\$23,517.82	\$19,492.08	\$22,669.25	\$65,679.15
Advertising	\$28,181.20	\$13,350.44	\$17,667.83	\$59,199.47
Home Shopping	\$1,518.52	\$1,391.15	\$598.97	\$3,508.64
Late Payment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Misc. (Leased Access & Other Misc.)	\$5,712.26	\$5,429.10	\$20,963.27	\$32,104.63
License Fee Billed	\$0.00	\$0.17	\$0.00	\$0.17
PEG Fee Billed	\$30,488.65	\$29,204.06	\$29,626.16	\$89,318.87
Less:				
Bad Debt	(\$5,879.20)	(\$2,528.25)	(\$6,287.94)	(\$14,695.39)
Total Receipts Subject to PEG Fee Calculation	\$596,007.22	\$558,919.03	\$582,421.01	\$1,737,347.26
PEG Grant Before Adjustment	\$29,800.36	\$27,945.95	\$29,121.05	\$86,867.36
Adjustment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
PEG Grant	\$2,980.04	\$2,794.60	\$2,912.11	\$8,686.75

Verizon New England Inc. is hereby requesting that this information be treated as confidential and proprietary business information in accordance with the terms of the Cable Television Final License granted to Verizon New England Inc. This information is not otherwise readily ascertainable or publicly available by proper means by other persons from another source in the same configuration as provided herein, would cause substantial harm to competitive position of Verizon in the highly competitive video marketplace if disclosed, is intended to be proprietary confidential business information and is treated by Verizon as such.

PEG Grant Report 1st Quarter 2020

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Massachusetts

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System Name: Comcast of Massachusetts II, Inc.

Email:

Phone:

Vendor ID:	150328
Contract Name:	Franklin MA
Statement Period:	Jan - Mar, 2020
Payment Amount:	\$81,710.58
Statement Number:	678854
CUID:	MA0152
System ID:	8773-1000-0160

FRANKLIN TOWN OF MA
 355 EAST CENTRAL STREET

 FRANKLIN, MA, 02038

This statement represents your payment for the period listed above.

Revenue Category	Amount
Expanded Basic Video Service	\$459,265.64
Limited Basic Video Service	\$310,493.77
Digital Video Service	\$365,145.79
Pay	\$201,559.91
PPV / VOD	\$61,230.76
Digital Video Equipment	\$124,547.61
Video Installation / Activation	\$4,993.69
Franchise Fees	\$84,528.60
PEG Fees	\$9,986.71
State Assessment	\$2,788.28
Guide	\$100.80
Other	\$7,900.91
Late Fees	\$2,582.22
Write-offs / Recoveries	(\$2,844.83)
Ad Sales	\$67,546.32
Home Shopping Commissions	\$2,477.41
Total	\$1,702,303.59
Franchise Fee %	4.80 %
Franchise Fee	\$81,710.58

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the above is a true and correct statement for the accounting of the gross revenues received by this corporation for the period.

Chad Mackey

Sr. Analyst