

Town of Franklin

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OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Memorandum

April 30, 2021

To: Town Council
From: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator

Re: Resolution 21-25: FY21 Replacement Ambulance - Fire Department, \$322,482

In August of 2019 the Franklin Fire Department purchased a new ambulance from Frazer Ltd. After less than two years of ownership, this ambulance has had a litany of unanticipated problems and has been out of service for months at a time.

Chief McLaughlin expressed his dissatisfaction with the ambulance and its performance with representatives from Frazer Ltd. who have agreed to refund the Town \$294,138.80 for the ambulance. The original purchase price of the ambulance was \$296,110.66 which included miscellaneous items totalling \$1,971.86. The Fire Department will be keeping these miscellaneous items for the new ambulance.

This item is before you tonight because any refund greater than \$150,000 has to receive Council approval, as well as the Town is required by law to appropriate the funds for a new ambulance.

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



Sponsor: Administration

TOWN OF FRANKLIN

RESOLUTION 21-25

FY21 REPLACEMENT AMBULANCE

APPROPRIATION: FY21 REPLACEMENT AMBULANCE

TOTAL REQUEST: \$322,482

PURPOSE:

To appropriate the proceeds from the refund of the original ambulance purchase to fund the purchase of a replacement ambulance and to make up the difference in price through the use of the ambulance account.

DESCRIPTION:	DEPT	SOURCE	AMOUNT
Ambulance	Fire	Receipts Reserved for Appr. Reimbursement Recovery Account	\$294,139
		Receipts Reserved for Appr. Ambulance	\$ <u>28,343</u>
			\$322,482

MOTION:

Be It Moved and Voted by the Town Council that the sum of Two Hundred Ninety-Four Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Nine Dollars (\$294,139) be transferred from the Receipts Reserved for Appropriation - Reimbursement Recovery Fund and and that the sum of Twenty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Three Dollars (\$28,343) be transferred from the Receipts Reserved for Appropriation Ambulance Fund for a total of Three Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars (\$322,482) to be appropriated to fund the purchase of a replacement ambulance in accordance with G.L. Ch 44 Section 53.

This Resolution shall become effective according to 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
Temporary Town Clerk

Glenn Jones, Clerk
Franklin Town Council