

**FRANKLIN TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
August 8, 2018**

A meeting of the Town Council was held on Wednesday, August 8, 2018, at the Franklin Municipal Building, 355 East Central Street, Franklin, Massachusetts. Councilors present: Patrick Casey, Robert Dellorco, Melanie Hamblen, Glenn Jones, Matthew Kelly, Eamon McCarthy Earls, Thomas Mercer, Peter Padula, Deborah Pellegrini. Councilors absent: None. Administrative personnel in attendance: Jeffrey Nutting, Town Administrator; Jamie Hellen, Deputy Town Administrator; Mark Cerel, Town Attorney.

CALL TO ORDER: ► Chairman Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Chairman Kelly announced the meeting is being recorded by *Franklin TV* and available for viewing on Comcast Channel 11 and Verizon Channel 29. This meeting may also be recorded by others.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: ► Mr. Frank Falvey, 920 Pond Street, addressed the Town Council. He discussed the number of parking spaces available for people at the voting location. He noted when elections were held and school was in session, there were no available parking spaces; the parking availability was terrible even though he had previously talked to the Town Clerk and the Superintendent of Schools about the need for parking. He stated the school operator was inundated with calls about the parking situation on that day. He was assured by the then Superintendent of Schools this would not happen again. He noted that for the town election that included the election of the current Town Council members, school was not in session, but a teachers' meeting was scheduled and the teachers parked in front of the polling location even though he was assured that would not happen. There are two elections scheduled for this fall: a primary (school will be in session) and a general election (school will not be in session). He thinks it is the responsibility of the town government to make sure voters have easy access to voting. He stated if we want democracy we need to encourage people and make it easier for them to vote. He thanked the Town Council for moving from three to five minutes for citizen comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 11, 2018. ► **MOTION** to Approve the July 11, 2018 meeting minutes by Padula. **SECOND** by Dellorco. **No Discussion.** ► **VOTE: Yes-8, No-0, Absent-0, Abstain-1.** (Mr. Mercer abstained.)

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS: ► *Swearing in of Firefighters.* ► The promotions of Charles Allen to lieutenant and Keith Darling to captain were recognized and the career backgrounds of each firefighter were reviewed. ► Ms. Teresa Burr, Town Clerk, performed the swearing in. Both firefighters were pinned by their wives. ► Town Council members offered their congratulations. ► It was noted that Fire Chief McCarraher could not attend the swearing in tonight; he sent his regrets.

Chairman Kelly called a three-minute recess.

APPOINTMENTS: Community Garden Committee, Crystle Chase. ► Mr. Jones read the Appointment. ► **MOTION** to Ratify the appointment by the Town Administrator of Crystle Chase to serve as a member of the Franklin Community Garden Committee by Jones. **SECOND** by Dellorco. **Discussion:** ► Mr. Nutting stated Ms. Chase was not present. ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**

Note: Items taken out of order from agenda.

PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS: ► *Fourth of July Coalition.* ► Ms. Pellegrini read a proclamation honoring the Fourth of July Coalition. ► Mr. Joe Carmignani and Mr. Paul Kortick addressed the Town Council. Mr. Kortick stated they wanted to talk about the past Fourth of July celebration and begin

planting the seeds for next year. He reviewed the events and noted the road race was well attended. He stated there were additional booths, the music went well, and the fireworks were back. Everything seemed to go well and the cleanup was thorough. He noted they increased by \$13,000 the amount of donations with about 45 businesses and 450 residents contributing for a total of about \$19,000; he thanked all businesses and residents that donated. He stated the bad part was that the weather was extremely hot so not a lot of people came to the carnival; they did not get as much funding from the carnival as expected. Overall, they spent about \$60,000 and they took in about \$45,000. He stated they figure that next year they will increase the amount of fundraising and hope that this year was an anomaly in weather. ► Mr. Carmignani thanked the Town Council, the administration, fire and police departments, DPW, and all volunteers and sponsors that helped. He noted they will maintain the website for the upcoming Fourth of July celebration and talked about the dates for next year. He stated they have started discussions about possibly bringing the parade back. ► Town Council members talked about the events and thanked everyone for their hard work.

LEGISLATION FOR ACTION (items taken out of order from agenda):

k. Bylaw Amendment 18-819: Amendment to Chapter 170, Vehicles and Traffic - 1st Reading (Motion to Move Bylaw Amendment 18-819 to a 2nd Reading - Majority Vote (5)). ► Mr. Jones read the resolution. ► **MOTION to Move** Bylaw Amendment 18-819: Amendment to Chapter 170, Vehicles and Traffic to a 2nd Reading by **Mercer. SECOND** by **Dellorco. Discussion:** ► Mr. Nutting stated they had discussions with the neighborhood residents about the parking problems. He stated Dean College has rearranged their parking arrangements starting this fall. In addition, the Town has striped spaces and expanded the parking regulations. With these changes, the hope is it will improve the parking problem in the neighborhood. He reviewed the current and proposed Downtown Parking District changes as shown on the provided map and outlined in the Town Council members' packets. He stated the Town Engineer and Police Chief were present tonight to answer questions. ► A resident asked why there has to be parking on both sides of Nason Street; there is not enough room for a large truck to make the corner. ► Mr. Michael Maglio, Town Engineer, stated the proposed changes make the existing parking more restrictive. With the addition of the striped spaces, it pushed back where vehicles could park from the corner. ► Mr. Nutting stated this slows traffic down; the wider the street and the less parking, the faster people go. ► Mr. Maglio stated they tried to give people 6 to 10 ft. at the edges of their driveways when laying out the parking spots. Residents with concerns should call Mr. Maglio. ► Town Council members, Mr. Nutting, and audience members discussed and reviewed the proposed changes. ► Mr. Nutting reviewed the two-hour parking restriction in the Downtown; residents may not park in front of their houses for more than two hours. ► Chairman Kelly stated if people are having a party, having people over, having something going on the street, just call the police dispatcher and let them know. ► Mr. Dellorco asked the residents to let the Town Council know how this is working a few weeks after school starts. ► Police Chief Lynch stated they now have the ability to track vehicles that have parking tickets and will tow as necessary. ► Mr. Padula thanked everyone who worked on this. ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**

LICENSE TRANSACTIONS: ► **Franklin BBC, LLC d/b/a British Beer Company - Change of Manager.** ► Mr. Jones read the license transaction. ► **MOTION to Approve** the request by Franklin BBC, LLC for a change of Manager to Joscelin Carson by **Jones. SECOND** by **Mercer. Discussion:** ► Town Council members asked questions. ► Ms. Carson stated she is the GM and has been there since April; she has worked for the British Beer Company for two years. She provided her career and certification background. ► Mr. Padula asked if anyone has looked at this to determine it is okay. ► Mr. Cerel stated the paperwork was submitted and the background has been provided. ► Mr. Nutting stated Chrissy does all the applications and she was not here today. ► Ms. Carson, in response to Mr. Padula's request, reviewed her experience, what she would be doing, and her background and training. ► Mr. Jones noted the Town does occasional stings on establishments. ► Town Council members asked Ms. Carson questions. ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**

► **Table & Vine, Inc - Change of Manager.** ► Chairman Kelly requested this item be tabled to the next meeting as the Manager is not present at the meeting. ► **MOTION to Table** this License Transaction request to the September 5, 2018, Town Council meeting by **Mercer. SECOND** by **Dellorco. No Discussion.** ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**

PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS (continued): ► **Facilities.** ► Mr. Michael D'Angelo, Director of Public Facilities, and Mr. Marco Brancato, Deputy Director of Public Facilities, addressed the Town Council with a slide presentation about the Town of Franklin Public Facilities. Mr. D'Angelo reviewed the mission statement, municipal facilities, school facilities, public facilities organizational chart, custodial support, municipal buildings and school buildings completed work orders FY2016-FY2018, and LED completion status for municipal buildings and school buildings. ► Mr. Brancato continued the slide presentation reviewing preventative maintenance, advantages of preventative maintenance, preventative maintenance work orders 2018 (first year of implementation). ► Mr. D'Angelo continued the presentation reviewing energy efficiency and he thanked all the public facilities staff and Town Council for their support. ► Town Council members asked questions about work orders, SchoolDude requests, why some work orders take so long to complete, who checks on the work done by outside contractors, the number of facility employees, the number of work orders and PMs, what steps are being taken to prevent pipe bursts in facilities, are measures being taken to preserve the tiffany glass in the library, is there any further training for inhouse staff that they could go to reduce some of the outside calls that are needed to complete work, looking at the roofs on all buildings and having a plan to deal with the roofs, and they would like to see where we are in all of the roofs. ► Mr. D'Angelo discussed the inhouse and outside companies used to complete work orders. He stated that during the summer it is all about the schools. In response to Town Council members questions, he explained they have had in engineers from various companies regarding pipe bursts and are looking at possible sprinkler system modifications. Regarding the glass around the Reading Room, they are not currently working on any restoration processes for that, but they are working on erecting a glass barrier on the mezzanine. He stated the Town has a special company that comes out if anyone reports a leak; they come out right away. He discussed the type of roofing material used and noted the life expectancy for most of the flat roofs is probably 25 to 30 years. ► Mr. Brancato, in response to Town Council members questions, discussed how work orders get done, how SchoolDude works, how he checks all the work done by outside contractors, the difference between regular work orders and preventative maintenance (PM) work orders that are generated automatically, that the inhouse plumber does air compressors, exhaust fans, and more than just routine plumbing, how with the PM system the inhouse staff is doing more, how he uses his small crew as much as possible, the difficulty it would be for his staff to go into HVAC training due to their work load, there has been a very small number of complaints because they are doing a better job with the PM system, he has done two roofs and the special camera he has can find hot spots in a roof indicating heat loss. ► Mr. Nutting stated they meet with Facilities staff every Thursday and go over things; they have been talking about roofs. ► Chairman Kelly stated the Historical Museum looks like junk and needs a paint job, and the Brick School is not being taken care of like it should be such as grass not being cut and the building looking old and tired. He feels it is not being attended to and not being looked after. He stated it was on their list, but he does not see anyone there. It is a historical gem in the Town. He stated we have to take care of that building. ► Mr. D'Angelo stated they would be de-leading in September and then replacing some siding and doing painting in the fall on the Historical Museum. He stated they have no plans not to do things for the Brick School; they are there maintaining boilers and lightening. They have not painted it recently. He stated Chairman Kelly's point was taken; we will make it a priority. ► Mr. Nutting noted they would not be getting to the cupola of the Historical Museum until next year due to the cost.

► **Open Space Committee Discussion.** ► Mr. Nutting stated he provided the Town Council members with his memo dated August 1, 2018, regarding Background for Open Space Discussion which included the background, committees/interested parties, documents/other information, history of purchasing, accepting or by tax taking Open Space from 2002 to today, and two maps. He reviewed and discussed said memo. ► Chairman Kelly asked the Town Council members to not discuss any particular parcels they have questions on by their name or address so that we do not negate any potential negotiation power

down the road. ► Mr. Padula thanked the Town Administrator for laying out the clear information and provided maps. ► Mr. Earls stated he had brought up the idea of reinstating the Open Space Committee several months ago. He wanted to recap why he brought it up. He stated he had attended a few Conservation Commission meetings this winter and one sentiment he heard expressed by Conservation Commission members is while they have been technically tasked with the Open Space work for the Town, it is not really something in their purview at this time; they are pretty much fully occupied with wetland related concerns. They expressed they did not really have the time within their commitments as a Commission to focus on questions such as Open Space acquisition, management and strategy. That is why he thinks it is useful to consider reinstating the Open Space Committee. He stated there was an interest expressed in 2017 about Open Space and making sure the Town reviews parcels as they come up. ► Mr. Nutting reviewed the Open Space process including Chapter 61A land. As far as private parcels, he does contact property owners; he is an advocate for Open Space in the right location. People in Franklin love our parks. He stated you never know when a deal is going to come. He reviewed some specific parcels that were obtained; it is an ongoing review of opportunities. ► Mr. Jones discussed this issue including volunteerism and stated he does not see the need to resurrect the Open Space Committee. ► Ms. Hamblen stated she thinks the Administration has been very proactive in trying to find open space. To preserve open space is one of the mission statements of the Agricultural Commission. ► Chairman Kelly stated he feels the Administration and Town Council has been out in front of this. The Agriculture Commission is also looking at this. He agrees with Mr. Jones that he does not see the need for an Open Space Committee at this time. ► Mr. Hellen stated in order to qualify for open space grants from the state, the Open Space Plan must be updated every seven years; the Town Council went through this process two years ago in 2016. ► Mr. Earls stated he understands Mr. Jones' concerns about volunteerism, but he still can see the potential role for such a committee. He asked Ms. Hamblen and Mr. Cerel if we could add into the Agricultural Commission the capability to administer and oversee more of that open space kind of work for land that may not be agricultural in nature. ► Ms. Hamblen stated that would have to be brought to the Chair of the Agricultural Commission.

HEARINGS:

1. **Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-815: Changes to §185, Attachment 9, Schedule of Lot, Area, Frontage, Yard and Height Requirements.**
2. **Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-816: Changes to §185, Use Regulations Schedule Parts I and VII, Attachments 2 and 8.**
3. **Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-818: Maximum Building Height Dimensional Regulations.**

► Chairman Kelly declared the hearing for *Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-815: Changes to §185, Attachment 9, Schedule of Lot, Area, Frontage, Yard and Height Requirements* open. ► Mr. Nutting stated these three hearings were all vetted through the Economic Development Committee and voted to be recommended to the full Council. They have also gone to the Planning Board who agrees. He reviewed the zoning bylaw amendment. He stated this creates a sideline setback in CI; they want to have the ability to get down an alleyway for public safety. It puts 10 ft. on one side. It also changes impervious coverage to 90 percent from 100 percent to make sure the lot can absorb the water. ► Town Council members asked questions about the provided handouts and discussed that the handouts provided were not the same. ► Mr. Nutting provided responses noting the correct handout. ► Chairman Kelly stated they should decide whether to table this vote until the next meeting to make sure they all have the same handouts/information; this information was not presented correctly.

► Chairman Kelly declared the hearing for *Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-816: Changes to §185, Use Regulations Schedule Parts I and VII, Attachments 2 and 8* open. ► Mr. Nutting stated this will ease the burden for those who want to have poultry. The recommendation is to reduce the setbacks to 25 ft. on two

sides and the rear. This would ease the zoning standard; the Board of Health hearing process is still required.

► Chairman Kelly declared the hearing for *Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-818: Maximum Building Height Dimensional Regulations* open. ► Mr. Nutting stated this is to reconfigure the height in various Commercial and Industrial zones to be more consistent. Essentially, it decreases the maximum building height in CI from 60 ft. to 50 ft. He reviewed the CI locations. He noted the highest building in Downtown is 50 ft. ► Mr. Mercer stated the EDC vetted all three of these hearings. This one was discussed at three meetings with two or three members of the Planning Board present. He thinks this is a good adjustment to the height requirements. ► Mr. Padula stated this was an excellent job done by all the people involved.

► **MOTION to Close all three Public Hearings by Mercer. SECOND by Padula. No Discussion.**
 ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. **Capital.** ► Mr. Dellorco stated there are no updates at this time.
2. **Budget.** ► Mr. Padula stated there is a meeting in September.
3. **Economic Development.** ► Mr. Mercer stated they had a meeting tonight prior to the Town Council meeting. They discussed the sign bylaw and some adjustments that need to be made. It will take a meeting or two before they have anything to bring forward to the Town Council. They are meeting again on September 5, 2018.

LEGISLATION FOR ACTION (continued):

- a. **Resolution 18-45: Participation in Opioid and Engagement of Legal Counsel for that Purpose (Motion to Approve Resolution 18-45 - Majority Vote (5)).** ► Mr. Jones read the resolution.
 ► **MOTION to Approve Resolution 18-45: Participation in Opioid and Engagement of Legal Counsel for that Purpose by Mercer. SECOND by Dellorco. Discussion:** ► Mr. Nutting stated this would allow us to join with over 100 communities of the Commonwealth to see if there is a way to recover costs for the tragedy that has taken place over the last five or six years with the opioid issues. ► Mr. Casey stated he thinks it would be silly not to join this litigation; no matter what the payout would be it would be beneficial in coming back to the community for the principle of the matter. It does not hurt the town at all to join the litigation. ► Mr. Dellorco stated the town is probably not going to get any money out of this, but he agrees with Mr. Casey. ► Mr. Cerel confirmed this would be a tort case and discussed how other large cases were done. ► Town Council members asked questions and discussed the resolution with Mr. Cerel and Mr. Hellen. ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**

- b. **Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-803R: Zoning Map Changes from Industrial, or Industrial & Single Family Residential IV, or Industrial & Rural Residential I, to Single Family Residential IV, or Industrial, or Rural Residential I, an Area on or Near Fisher, Hayward and McCarthy Streets – 2nd Reading (Motion to Adopt Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-803R – 2/3 Majority roll call vote (6)).**
 ► **MOTION to Waive the reading by Padula. SECOND by Dellorco. No Discussion.** ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.** ► **MOTION to Move Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-803R: Zoning Map Changes from Industrial, or Industrial & Single Family Residential IV, or Industrial & Rural Residential I, to Single Family Residential IV, or Industrial, or Rural Residential I, an Area on or Near Fisher, Hayward and McCarthy Streets as amended by Mercer. SECOND by Padula.**
Discussion: ► Mr. Nutting stated this cleans up the lot lines down by Fisher and Hayward and eliminates the one parcel that Mr. DeBaggis was concerned about. ► **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Casey-YES; Dellorco-YES; Hamblen-YES; Jones-YES; Kelly-YES; Earls-YES; Mercer-YES; Padula-YES; Pellegrini-YES. ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**

- c. **Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-805: Changes to §185-21 Parking, Loading and Driveway Requirements – 2nd Reading (Motion to Adopt Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-805 – 2/3 Majority roll call vote (6)).** ► **MOTION to Waive the reading by Mercer. SECOND by Dellorco. No Discussion.** ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.** ► **MOTION to Move Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-805: Changes to §185-21 Parking, Loading and Driveway Requirements by Mercer. SECOND by Padula. Discussion:** ► Mr. Nutting stated this will make minor changes to parking requirements Downtown in Commercial I. Right now, there is no requirement for parking; this would add a parking requirement of 1 ½ spaces per residential unit and 500 sq. ft. for a non-residential. It was approved by the Planning Board and Economic Development Committee. ► **ROLL CALL VOTE: Casey-YES; Dellorco-YES; Hamblen-YES; Jones-YES; Kelly-YES; Earls-YES; Mercer-YES; Padula-YES; Pellegri-YES.** ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**
- d. **Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-810: Definitions. Small, Medium, Large Ground-Mounted Solar Energy Systems, Accessory Use, and Accessory Building or Structure – 2nd Reading (Motion to Adopt Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-810 – 2/3 Majority roll call vote (6)).** ► **MOTION to Waive the reading by Mercer. SECOND by Dellorco. No Discussion.** ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.** ► **MOTION to Move Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-810: Definitions. Small, Medium, Large Ground-Mounted Solar Energy Systems, Accessory Use, and Accessory Building or Structure by Mercer. SECOND by Dellorco. Discussion:** ► Mr. Nutting stated these next three items are tied together relating to ground-mounted solar and some cleanup of some definitions and rearranging how they layout in the zoning bylaw. We wanted to define small, medium, and large solar and what the different setbacks and criteria were. This was approved by the subcommittee as well as the Planning Board. ► **ROLL CALL VOTE: Casey-YES; Dellorco-YES; Hamblen-YES; Jones-YES; Kelly-YES; Earls-YES; Mercer-YES; Padula-YES; Pellegri-YES.** ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**
- e. **Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-811: Changes to §185-19. Accessory Buildings and Structures – 2nd Reading (Motion to Adopt Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-811 – 2/3 Majority roll call vote (6)).** ► **MOTION to Waive the reading by Dellorco. SECOND by Mercer. No Discussion.** ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.** ► **MOTION to Move Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-811: Changes to §185-19. Accessory Buildings and Structures by Mercer. SECOND by Padula. Discussion:** ► Mr. Nutting stated this is the same thing; it is just in another section in the definitions. ► **ROLL CALL VOTE: Casey-YES; Dellorco-YES; Hamblen-YES; Jones-YES; Kelly-YES; Earls-YES; Mercer-YES; Padula-YES; Pellegri-YES.** ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**
- f. **Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-812: Ground-Mounted Solar Energy System Use Regulations – 2nd Reading (Motion to Adopt Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-812 – 2/3 Majority roll call vote (6)).** ► **MOTION to Waive the reading by Padula. SECOND by Dellorco. No Discussion.** ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.** ► **MOTION to Move Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-812: Ground-Mounted Solar Energy System Use Regulations by Dellorco. SECOND by Padula. Discussion:** ► Mr. Nutting stated same comment. ► **ROLL CALL VOTE: Casey-YES; Dellorco-YES; Hamblen-YES; Jones-YES; Kelly-YES; Earls-YES; Mercer-YES; Padula-YES; Pellegri-YES.** ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**
- g. **Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-815: Changes to §185, Attachment 9, Schedule of Lot, Area, Frontage, Yard and Height Requirements – 1st Reading (Motion to Move Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-815 to a 2nd Reading - Majority Vote (5)).** ► **MOTION to Table Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-815: Changes to §185, Attachment 9, Schedule of Lot, Area, Frontage, Yard and Height Requirements – 1st Reading to September 5, 2018 by Mercer. SECOND by Dellorco. No Discussion.** ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**
- h. **Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-816: Changes to §185, Use Regulations Schedule Parts I and VII, Attachments 2 and 8 – 1st Reading (Motion to Move Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-816 to a 2nd Reading - Majority Vote (5)).** ► Mr. Jones read the zoning bylaw amendment. ► **MOTION to Move**

Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-816: Changes to §185, Use Regulations Schedule Parts I and VII, Attachments 2 and 8 to a 2nd Reading by **Mercer**. **SECOND** by **Padula**. **Discussion:** ► Mr. Nutting stated it is a good idea. ► **VOTE: Yes-8, No-0, Absent-0, Abstain-1.** (Ms. Hamblen abstained.)

- i. Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-818: Maximum Building Height Dimensional Regulations – 1st Reading (Motion to Move Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-818 to a 2nd Reading – Majority vote (5)).** ► **MOTION** to Waive the reading by **Padula**. **SECOND** by **Mercer**. **No Discussion.** ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.** ► **MOTION** to Move Zoning Bylaw Amendment 18-818: Maximum Building Height Dimensional Regulations to a 2nd Reading by **Mercer**. **SECOND** by **Dellorco**. **Discussion:** ► Mr. Nutting stated no comment. ► Mr. Padula confirmed this was spoken about during the public hearings; he reviewed the height requirements. ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**
- j. Bylaw Amendment 18-817: Amendment to Water System Map – 2nd Reading (Motion to Adopt Bylaw Amendment 18-817 – Majority vote (5)).** ► Mr. Jones read the bylaw amendment. ► **MOTION** to Move Bylaw Amendment 18-817: Amendment to Water System Map by **Mercer**. **SECOND** by **Dellorco**. **Discussion:** ► Mr. Nutting stated he thinks this was fully vetted at the first reading. He recommended approval. ► **VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0.**

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT: ► Mr. Nutting stated Mr. Cerel is being recognized by his peers with a lifetime achievement award. ► Town Council members offered congratulations to Mr. Cerel.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: ► *None.*

COUNCIL COMMENTS: ► Ms. Pellegrini stated there was a death in her family; her mother-in-law passed away at almost 98 years old. She thanked all the people who came out. She was a wonderful woman and had worked at the Parmenter School. She stated Mr. Gregory Giallonardo passed away; he was a long-time Franklin resident. Mr. Albert Lewis, a lifelong Franklin resident who had worked for the DPW, also passed away. She asked they be remembered. ► Mr. Earls stated he wanted to offer a brief report to the Town Council regarding the proposed Franklin Technology Committee. He received an email from Superintendent of Schools Sara Ahern stating the School Committee is not interested at this time. He stated that, however, he is committed to this idea and he is seeing a groundswell of interest in pursuing this idea of a Franklin technology committee. He has received many messages and outreach from cyber security and IT professionals interested in getting involved and volunteering their time. He stated we continue to see these issues continue to grow such as ransomware attacks; there are many areas a technology committee could weigh in on. He noted that in addition he had two small issues raised to him by members of the community. He heard from a resident on Mount Street a request for some hot patching along the sides of the road due to wearing away and erosion on the roadside. And, he had questions from a number of people regarding where it stands with the Veterans’ Walkway Project and the bricks for the area outside the library. ► Mr. Nutting stated they were able to secure several earmarks through the legislative folks, Jeff and Karen: \$50,000 for the walkway and a couple hundred thousand for the King Street Park, \$25,000 for the Downtown Partnership and the school got some money as well. He stated Mr. Hellen reached out to the Veterans’ Agency a few days ago. They have been talking to Dale and waiting to get the paperwork and getting this all wrapped up. Hopefully, we can get it for Veterans’ Day; with a little help from the state administration, we can get this all done. ► Mr. Hellen stated he thinks they are up to about 750 bricks for the walkway. ► Chairman Kelly suggested Mr. Earls meet with Mr. Dale Kurtz to get to know the walkway project a little more. ► Ms. Hamblen wanted to let people know there is a meeting that Representative Jeff Roy organized for Monday, August 13, 2018, at 4:30 PM at the Library with officials from the MBTA to talk about the Franklin line and issues with the Franklin line. She thanked the DPW for the rain barrel program. ► Mr. Dellorco and Mr. Mercer gave condolences for the Franklin residents who passed away this past week. ► Chairman Kelly reviewed the memo regarding the exact dollar amounts received for various earmarks from the state. He gave condolences to the families of those who passed away this past week.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: *None.*

ADJOURN: MOTION to Adjourn by Mercer. SECOND by Dellorco. No Discussion. ► VOTE: Yes-9, No-0, Absent-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Lizardi
Recording Secretary