



## FRANKLIN TOWN COUNCIL

December 7, 2016

7:00 PM

### **ACTIONS TAKEN**

#### **A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – November 16, 2016

**ACTION:** The Council approved the November 16, 2016 minutes. *Approved 9-0.*

**B. ANNOUNCEMENTS** – *This meeting is being recorded by Franklin TV and shown on Comcast channel 11 and Verizon channel 29. This meeting may also be recorded by others.*

#### **C. PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS** –

1. *Swearing in of Police Officers*

**D. CITIZEN COMMENTS** – *Citizens are welcome to express their views for up to five minutes on a matter that is not on the Agenda. The Council will not engage in a dialogue or comment on a matter raised during Citizen Comments. The Town Council will give remarks appropriate consideration and may ask the Town Administrator to review the matter.*

#### **E. APPOINTMENTS**

#### **F. HEARINGS - Public Hearing** – 7:10 PM

1. *Tax Classification Hearing*

#### **G. LICENSE TRANSACTIONS - Public Hearing** – 7:10 PM

- *2017 Annual Alcoholic Beverages Licenses Renewals*

**ACTION:** The Council approved the list of alcohol beverage license renewals for 2017. *Approved 9-0.*

#### **H. PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS** - *Franklin Advisory Committee*

#### **I. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **J. LEGISLATION FOR ACTION**

1. *Resolution 16-58: Request for Legislation - Exempting all Positions in the Fire Department from Civil Service Law – **Remove from Table** – 7:10 pm*

**ACTION:** The Council rejected the request for exempt all positions in the Fire Department from Civil Service Law. *Approved 3-6 (Yes: Kelly, Vallee, Mercer; No: Dellorco, Padula, Jones, Pellegrini, Pfeffer, Bissanti).*

2. *Resolution 16-67: Classification Tax Allocation – Residential Factor*

**ACTION:** The Council approved the residential factor for the FY17 tax rate. *Approved 9-0.*

3. *Resolution 16-68: Classification Tax Allocation – Open Space Exemption*

**ACTION:** The Council approved the recommendation to not include an open space exemption for the FY17 tax rate. ***Approved 9-0.***

4. *Resolution 16-69: Classification Tax Allocation – Small Business Exemption*

**ACTION:** The Council approved the recommendation to not include a small business exemption for the FY17 tax rate. ***Approved 9-0.***

5. *Resolution 16-70: Classification Tax Allocation – Residential Property Exemption*

**ACTION:** The Council approved the recommendation to not include a residential property tax exemption for the FY17 tax rate. ***Approved 9-0.***

6. *Resolution 16-71: 2017 Schedule of Town Council Meetings*

**ACTION:** The Council approved the 2017 meeting schedule, as amended. ***Approved 9-0.***

7. *Resolution 16-72: Legal Notices*

**ACTION:** The Council declared the Milford Daily News as the newspaper that legal notices will be posted in, as well as the homepage of the town website. ***Approved 9-0.***

8. *Resolution 16-73: Acceptance of Grant of Utility (Drainage) Easement on Property at 9 Mackintosh Street, Franklin*

**ACTION:** The Council accepted the grant of utility easement at 9 Mackintosh Street. ***Approved 9-0.***

9. *Resolution 16-74: Declaration as surplus and available for Disposition (Ground Leasing) and Authorization Therefor of a Portion of Town-Owned Land off Forge Hill Road*

**ACTION:** The Council declared Forge Hill Road property as surplus land. ***Approved 9-0.***

10. *Resolution 16-76: Appropriation – Technology – Google Applications*

**ACTION:** The Council approved an appropriation to purchase Google Applications for all town staff. ***Approved 9-0.***

11. *Resolution 16-77: Appropriation – Turf Field Design & Development*

**ACTION:** The Council approved an appropriation for funds to begin the design of new turf fields at the High School and on Beaver Street. ***Approved 9-0.***

12. *Resolution 16-78: Appropriation – Technology – E Permitting*

**ACTION:** The Council approved an appropriation to pilot E-Permitting software for the Town Clerk's Office. *Approved 9-0.*

13. *Resolution 16-79: Acceptance of Gift – Council on Aging*

**ACTION:** The Council accepted a donation for the Senior Center. *Approved 9-0.*

14. *Bylaw Amendment 16-778: Chapter 160, Taxpayers, Delinquent – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading (Motion to Move Bylaw Amendment 16-778 to a 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading (majority))*

**ACTION:** The Council approved the first reading of amending a bylaw on delinquent taxpayers to conform to the Governor's Municipal Modernization Act. *Approved 9-0.*

**K. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

**L. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**M. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**N. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**O. ADJOURN**