

FRANKLIN TOWN COUNCIL

Agenda & Meeting Packet

January 5, 2022

Meeting will be held at the **Municipal Building**2nd floor, Council Chambers 355 East Central Street

7:00 PM

ACTIONS TAKEN

A NOTE TO RESIDENTS: All citizens are welcome to attend public board and committee meetings in person. Additionally, in an effort to maximize citizen engagement opportunities, citizens will be able to continue to participate remotely via phone OR Zoom. The meetings will also be <u>live-streamed by Franklin TV</u> and shown on Comcast Channel 11 and Verizon Channel 29.

- Link to access meeting: January 5, 2022 Town Council Meeting Link HERE -- Then click "Open Zoom"
 - Or copy and paste this URL into your browser: https://zoom.us/meeting/84759504302
 - o Call-In Phone Number: Call 1-929-205-6099 and enter Meeting ID # 847 5950 4302 -- Then press #

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

- a. This meeting is being recorded by Franklin TV and shown on Comcast channel 11 and Verizon Channel 29. This meeting may be recorded by others.
- b. Chair to identify members participating remotely.
- c. Department of Conservation & Recreation (DCR) Certification of Announcement.

2. CITIZEN COMMENTS

a. 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.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. <u>November 17, 2021</u>

ACTION: The Town Council approved the November 17, 2021 minutes. Approved 9-0.

b. December 1, 2021

ACTION: The Town Council approved the December 1, 2021 minutes. Approved 9-0.

- 4. PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS
 - a. Franklin Library Association
- 5. APPOINTMENTS None Scheduled
- 6. HEARINGS 7:10pm None Scheduled
- 7. LICENSE TRANSACTIONS- None Scheduled
- 8. PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS
 - a. Town Council Goals Session 2022-2023

9. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Capital Budget Subcommittee
- b. Budget Subcommittee
- c. Economic Development Subcommittee

10. LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

a. Resolution 22-01: Gift Acceptance - Franklin Public Library (\$65,500) (Motion to Approve Resolution 22-01 - Majority Vote)

ACTION: The Town Council approved Resolution 22-01 to accept an exceptionally generous gift on behalf of the Library totaling \$65,500 to be used for the full restoration of the Delivery Room as proposed by John Canning & Company and the restoration of Historical Manuscripts to be done by NEDCC.

Approved 9-0.

b. Resolution 22-02: Gift Acceptances - Veterans' Services Department (\$1,450.00), Senior Center (\$300) (Motion to Approve Resolution 22-02 - Majority Vote)

ACTION: The Town Council approved Resolution 22-02 to accept exceptionally generous gifts on behalf of the Veterans' Services Department totaling \$1,450; \$1,000 of which is to be allocated toward the Veterans' Gift Fund, and \$450 of which is to be allocated toward the Municipal Assistance Fund, and also accepted exceptionally generous gifts on behalf of the Senior Center totaling \$300 to be applied towards services and programs for senior citizens in the Franklin community. **Approved 9-0.**

c. Resolution 22-03: Appropriation to Pay Prior Years Bills (Motion to Approve Resolution 22-03 - 2/3 Majority Vote)

ACTION: The Town Council approved Resolution 22-03 to appropriate FY22 funds in the amount of One Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars and Twelve Cents (\$1,932.12) to pay for prior years' bills in accordance with G.L. Ch44, §64. *Approved 9-0*.

- 11. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
- **12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM**
- **13. COUNCIL COMMENTS**
- 14. EXECUTIVE SESSION
 - a. Considering the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, because an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the Board.
 - i. Schmidt's Farm, Prospect Street

15. ADJOURN

Note:

Two-Thirds Vote: requires 6 votes

Majority Vote: requires majority of members present and voting