



FRANKLIN TOWN COUNCIL

Agenda & Meeting Packet

November 30, 2022

Meeting will be held at the **Municipal Building**

2nd floor, Council Chambers

355 East Central Street

7:00 PM

ACTIONS TAKEN

Absent: Councilor Dellorco

A NOTE TO RESIDENTS: All citizens are welcome to attend public board and committee meetings in person. Meetings are [live-streamed by Franklin TV](#) and shown on Comcast Channel 11 and Verizon Channel 29. In an effort to maximize citizen engagement opportunities, citizens will be able to continue to participate remotely via phone OR Zoom. Link to access meeting via Zoom for the November 30, 2022 Town Council meeting:

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1. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

- 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.*
- Chair to identify members participating remotely.*

2. CITIZEN COMMENTS

- Citizens are welcome to express their views for up to three 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 - None Scheduled.

4. PROCLAMATIONS / RECOGNITIONS - None Scheduled.

5. APPOINTMENTS - None Scheduled.

6. HEARINGS - 7:00 pm

- [Franklin Tax Classification Hearing](#)
 - Legislation for Action Items: 9b, 9c, 9d, 9e, 9f

7. LICENSE TRANSACTIONS - None Scheduled.

8. PRESENTATIONS / DISCUSSION

- [Presentation: Elks Riders Donation to Veterans' Services Department](#)

9. LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

- [Resolution 22-76: Gift Acceptance - Elks Riders Donation to Veterans' Services Department](#)
(Motion to Approve Resolution 22-76- Majority Vote)

ACTION: The Town Council voted to approve Resolution 22-76, to accept a generous donation from the Elks Riders for the Veterans' Services Department in the amount of \$1,000 to be applied toward the Veterans' Gift Fund. **Approved 7-0. Absent-2 (Dellorco & Pellegrini).**

- b. [Resolution 22-77: Tax Classification Residential Factor](#)
(Motion to Approve Resolution 22-77 - Majority Vote)
ACTION: The Town Council approved Resolution 22-77 to set the Residential Factor at [1.000000]. The Residential Factor must be voted on annually by state law.
Approved 7-1 (No-Sheridan). Absent-1 (Dellorco).
- c. [Resolution 22-78: Tax Classification Open Space Exemption](#)
(Motion to Approve Resolution 22-78 - Majority Vote)
ACTION: The Town Council approved Resolution 22-78 that there not be an exemption for open space. The Open Space Exemption must be voted on annually by state law.
Approved 8-0. Absent-1 (Dellorco).
- d. [Resolution 22-79: Tax Classification Small Business Exemption](#)
(Motion to Approve Resolution 22-79 - Majority Vote)
ACTION: The Town Council approved Resolution 22-79 that there not be an exemption for small businesses. The Small Business Exemption must be voted on annually by state law.
Approved 8-0. Absent-1 (Dellorco).
- e. [Resolution 22-80: Tax Classification Residential Property Exemption](#)
(Motion to Approve Resolution 22-80 - Majority Vote)
ACTION: The Town Council approved Resolution 22-80 that there not be an exemption for residential properties. The Residential Property Exemption must be voted on annually by state law.
Approved 8-0. Absent-1 (Dellorco).
- f. [Resolution 22-81: Tax Classification Senior Means Tested Exemption](#)
(Motion to Approve Resolution 22-81 - Majority Vote)
ACTION: The Town Council approved Resolution 22-81 that there not be an exemption for senior means tested. The Senior Means Tested Exemption must be voted on annually by state law.
Approved 8-0. Absent-1 (Dellorco).
- g. [Resolution 22-82: Declaration of Town-owned Property Containing "South Franklin Congregational Meeting House" Located at 762 Washington Street as Surplus and Authorization for Disposition \(Sale\) to Old Colony Habitat for Humanity](#)
(Motion to Approve Resolution 22-82 - Two-Thirds Majority Vote)
ACTION: The Town Council approved Resolution 22-82 to declare the Town-owned property containing "South Franklin Congregational Meeting House" located at 762 Washington Street as surplus and to authorize the sale of said property to Old Colony Habitat for Humanity to convert the building to a single-family home. **Approved 7-0. Abstain-1 (Sheridan). Absent-1 (Dellorco).**
- h. [Resolution 22-83: Downtown Parking Lot Kiosks Authorization](#)
(Motion to Approve Resolution 22-83 - Majority Vote)
ACTION: The Town Council approved Resolution 22-83 to authorize the purchase of two parking kiosks to be installed at the Depot Street Parking Lot and the Ferrara Parking Lot.
Approved 8-0. Absent-1 (Dellorco).
- i. [Resolution 22-84: 2023 Town Council Meeting Schedule](#)
(Motion to Approve Resolution 22-84 - Majority Vote)
ACTION: The Town Council voted to amend Resolution 22-84, to remove April 5th (Passover holiday), as a meeting date and add April 26th as a meeting date.
Approved 7-1 (No-Mercer). Absent-1 (Dellorco).

ACTION: The Town Council voted to approve Resolution 22-84, to approve the 2023 Town Council Meeting Schedule, as amended. **Approved 8-0. Absent-1 (Dellorco).**

- j. [Zoning Bylaw Amendment 22-887: Zoning Map Changes on or Near Lincoln Street and Lincolnwood Drive](#)

(Motion to Refer Zoning Bylaw 22-887 to the Planning Board - Majority Vote)

ACTION: The Town Council voted to refer Zoning Bylaw 22-887 to the Planning Board, to rezone an area on or near Lincoln Street and Lincolnwood Drive as shown on the map attached to Bylaw Amendment 22-887. **Approved 8-0. Absent-1 (Dellorco).**

- k. [Resolution 22-85: Public Property Naming & Memorial Installation Policy](#)

(Motion to Approve Resolution 22-85 - Majority Vote)

ACTION: The Town Council voted to approve Resolution 22-84, to establish a formal policy on public property naming and memorial installation. **Approved 8-0. Absent-1 (Dellorco).**

10. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

11. SUBCOMMITTEE & AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Capital Budget Subcommittee
- b. Economic Development Subcommittee
- c. Budget Subcommittee
- d. GATRA Advisory Board

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. COUNCIL COMMENTS

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None Scheduled.

15. ADJOURN

Note:

Two-Thirds Vote: requires 6 votes

Majority Vote: requires majority of members present and voting