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FRANKLIN TOWN COUNCIL

Agenda & Meeting Packet

July 20, 2022

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

2nd floor, Council Chambers

355 East Central Street

7:00 PM

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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 July 20, 2022 Town Council Meeting:

- Zoom Link [HERE](#) -- Then click "Open Zoom".
- Or copy and paste this URL into your browser: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87453391045>
- Call-In Phone Number: Call 1-929-205-6099 and enter **Meeting ID # 874 5339 1045** --Then press #

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

- [June 8, 2022](#)
ACTION: The Town Council voted to approve the June 8, 2022 minutes.
Approved 9-0.
- [June 22, 2022](#)
ACTION: The Town Council voted to approve the June 22, 2022 minutes.
Approved 9-0.

4. PROCLAMATIONS / RECOGNITIONS

- Proclamation: Margaret (Peg) Simpson
- Proclamation: Unified Basketball Team

5. APPOINTMENTS

- [2022 Election Workers](#)

ACTION: The Town Council voted to appoint the persons whose names appear in “Exhibit 1” as Election Workers for the 2022 elections.

Approved 8-0. Abstained-1 (Chair Mercer).

6. HEARINGS - 7:00 pm - None Scheduled.

7. LICENSE TRANSACTIONS - None Scheduled.

8. PRESENTATIONS / DISCUSSION

a. Presentation: Elks Rider Donation Presentation

b. Discussion: [Disposition of Town-owned land containing South Franklin Meeting House](#)

9. LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

a. [Resolution 22-43: Gift Acceptance - Veterans' Services Department \(\\$2,000\)](#) (**Motion to Approve Resolution 22-43 - Majority Vote**)

ACTION: The Town Council voted to approve Resolution 22-43, to accept three generous gifts in the total amount of \$2,000 to be applied towards the Veterans' Gift Fund, Veterans' Municipal Assistance Fund, and the Monument Restoration Fund, to be used at the Department's discretion in support of local Veterans and their families.

Approved 9-0.

b. [Resolution 22-44: Authoring Tax Increment Financing, Plansee USA LLC, 115 Constitution Boulevard](#) (**Motion to Approve Resolution 22-44 - Majority Vote**)

ACTION: The Town Council voted to approve Resolution 22-44, to approve the execution of a Tax Increment Financing Agreement between the Town of Franklin and Plansee USA, LLC located at 115 Constitution Boulevard.

Approved 7-2. (No: Councilors Frongillo & Sheridan).

c. [Resolution 22-45: Transfer of Care, Custody, Management and Control of Davis-Thayer Elementary School from School Committee to Town Council](#) (**Motion to Approve Resolution 22-45 - Two Thirds Majority Vote**)

ACTION: The Town Council voted to approve Resolution 22-45, to transfer the care, custody, management and control of town-owned property containing the building known as Davis Thayer Elementary School from the Franklin School Committee to the Franklin Town Council for municipal purposes.

Approved 8-0. Absent-1 (Councilor Chandler had temporarily left the meeting).

d. [Resolution 22-46: Gift Acceptance - Historical Commission \(\\$2,000\)](#) (**Motion to Approve Resolution 22-46 - Majority Vote**)

ACTION: The Town Council voted to approve Resolution 22-46, to accept a generous gift on behalf of the Historical Commission in the amount of \$2,000 to be used at the Commission's discretion towards the preservation, protection and development of the historic and archaeological assets of Franklin.

Approved 9-0.

e. [Resolution 22-47: Gift Acceptance - Disability Commission \(\\$2,000\)](#) (**Motion to Approve Resolution 22-47 - Majority Vote**)

ACTION: The Town Council voted to approve Resolution 22-47, to accept a generous gift on behalf of the Disability Commission in the amount of \$2,000 to be used at the Commission's discretion to advocate for persons with disabilities as needed in the Town of Franklin.

Approved 9-0.

f. [Bylaw Amendment 22-881: Chapter 7 Affordable Housing Trust Fund: Add Vice Chair and Clerk positions, 1st reading](#) (**Motion to Move Bylaw Amendment 22-881 to Second Reading - Majority Vote**)

ACTION: The Town Council voted to move Bylaw Amendment 22-881, to create the positions of Vice Chair and Clerk on the Municipal Affordable Housing Trust and update some of the language as seen in the proposed revised paragraph in the bylaw amendment, to a second reading.

Approved 9-0.

- g. [Bylaw Amendment 22-882: Chapter 4 Admin. of Govt.: Authorize Town Clerk to make format changes, 1st reading](#) (**Motion to Move Bylaw Amendment 22-882 to Second Reading - Majority Vote**)

ACTION: The Town Council voted to move Bylaw Amendment 22-882, to authorize the Town Clerk to renumber or otherwise renumber, re-letter, and/or to take any other action necessary to reformat the amendment within an existing chapter of the code of the Town of Franklin to fit within the established format of the Code, to a second reading.

Approved 9-0.

- h. [Resolution 22-55: Town Council's Local Authorization and Approval for Conduct of 2022 State Elections, as Required by Chapter 92 of Legislative Acts of 2022](#) (**Motion to Approve Resolution 22-55 - Majority Vote**)

ACTION: The Town Council voted to approve Resolution 22-55, to authorize the minimum number of police officers that will be present at the polling location for the 2022 election as stated within the resolution and to approve the early in-person voting schedule for the state primary election attached to the resolution as "Exhibit 1".

Approved 9-0.

10. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- a. ["Friendly 40B" Application](#)
- b. Town Administrator Five Year Fiscal Forecast

11. SUBCOMMITTEE & AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. COUNCIL COMMENTS

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. *Collective Bargaining*
 - i. *Exemption #3: Collective Bargaining (DPW, Custodians, Facilities, Library, Firefighters, Police Sergeants) - To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares.*

15. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

- a. Resolution 22-48: Ratification of the Memorandum of Agreement Between the Public Library Staff Association and the Town of Franklin (**Motion to approve Resolution 22-48 - Majority Vote**)

ACTION: The Town Council voted to approve Resolution 22-48, to ratify the Memorandum of Agreement between the Public Library Staff Association and the Town of Franklin; the provisions contained therein shall be in effect from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2025 and shall become part of the existing collective bargaining agreement.

Approved 9-0.

- b. Resolution 22-49: Ratification of the Memorandum of Agreement Between the DPW Union and the Town of Franklin (***Motion to approve Resolution 22-49 - Majority Vote***)
ACTION: The Town Council voted to approve Resolution 22-49, to ratify the Memorandum of Agreement between the DPW Union and the Town of Franklin; the provisions contained therein shall be in effect from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2025 and shall become part of the existing collective bargaining agreement.
Approved 9-0.
- c. Resolution 22-50:Ratification of the Memorandum of Agreement Between the Custodians Union and the Town of Franklin (***Motion to approve Resolution 22-50 - Majority Vote***)
ACTION: The Town Council voted to approve Resolution 22-50, to ratify the Memorandum of Agreement between the Custodians Union and the Town of Franklin; the provisions contained therein shall be in effect from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2025 and shall become part of the existing collective bargaining agreement.
Approved 9-0.
- d. Resolution 22-51: Ratification of the Memorandum of Agreement Between the Public Facilities Union and the Town of Franklin (***Motion to approve Resolution 22-51 - Majority Vote***)
ACTION: The Town Council voted to approve Resolution 22-51, to ratify the Memorandum of Agreement between the Public Facilities Union and the Town of Franklin; the provisions contained therein shall be in effect from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2025 and shall become part of the existing collective bargaining agreement.
Approved 9-0.
- e. Resolution 22-52:Ratification of the Memorandum of Agreement Between the Professional Firefighters of Franklin and the Town of Franklin (***Motion to approve Resolution 22-52 - Majority Vote***)
ACTION: The Town Council voted to approve Resolution 22-52, to ratify the Memorandum of Agreement between the Professional Firefighters of Franklin and the Town of Franklin; the provisions contained therein shall be in effect from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2025 and shall become part of the existing collective bargaining agreement.
Approved 9-0.
- f. Resolution 22-53: Ratification of the Memorandum of Agreement Between the Franklin Police Sergeants Union and the Town of Franklin (***Motion to approve Resolution 22-53 - Majority Vote***)
ACTION: The Town Council voted to approve Resolution 22-48, to ratify the Memorandum of Agreement between the Franklin Police Sergeants Union and the Town of Franklin; the provisions contained therein shall be in effect from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2025 and shall become part of the existing collective bargaining agreement.
Approved 9-0.

16. ADJOURN

Note:

Two-Thirds Vote: requires 6 votes

Majority Vote: requires majority of members present and voting