



FRANKLIN TOWN COUNCIL

Agenda & Meeting Packet

March 2, 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. 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 [live-streamed by Franklin TV](#) and shown on Comcast Channel 11 and Verizon Channel 29.

- **Link to access meeting:** March 2, 2022 Town Council Meeting Link [HERE](#) -- Then click "Open Zoom"
 - Or copy and paste this URL into your browser: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81527865440>
 - **Call-In Phone Number:** Call **1-929-205-6099** and enter Meeting ID # **815 2786 5440** --Then press #
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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.*

2. CITIZEN COMMENTS

- a. *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

- a. [February 16, 2022](#)

ACTION: The Town Council approved the February 16, 2022 meeting minutes. **Approved 9-0.**

4. PROCLAMATIONS / RECOGNITIONS - None Scheduled

5. APPOINTMENTS - None Scheduled

6. HEARINGS - 7:00 pm - None Scheduled

7. LICENSE TRANSACTIONS - None Scheduled

8. PRESENTATIONS / DISCUSSIONS

- a. [Presentation: Other Post-Employment Benefits - Dan Sherman, Sherman Actuarial Services](#)

9. LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

- a. [Resolution 22-15: Direction for Issuance of Request for Expressions of Interest for Town Property Containing "South Franklin Congregational Meeting House" Located at 762 Washington Street \(Motion to Approve Resolution 22-15 - Majority Vote\)](#)

ACTION: The Town Council approved an amendment to the motion for Resolution 22-15 to amend the date of responses due from April 1, 2022 to April 29, 2022. **Approved 9-0.**

ACTION: The Town Council approved Resolution 22-15 as amended, to allow the Town Administration to release a Request for Expressions of Interest for the Town property containing "South Franklin Congregational Meeting House" located at 762 Washington Street, with an amended date of responses due of April 29, 2022. **Approved 9-0.**

- b. [Resolution 22-16: Authorization for Town Administrator to Negotiate and Execute New Agreement Between Town and Franklin Community Cable Access, Inc. for PEG Programming and Access Services](#) (**Motion to Approve Resolution 22-16 - Majority Vote**)

ACTION: The Town Council approved Resolution 22-16, to authorize the Town Administrator to negotiate and execute a new agreement between Town and Franklin Community Cable Access for PEG programming and access services. **Approved 9-0.**

- c. [Resolution 22-17: Cable Funds in Support of PEG Service and Programming per MGL Ch. 44, §53F3/4](#) (**Motion to Approve Resolution 22-17 - Majority Vote**)

ACTION: The Town Council approved Resolution 22-17, to appropriate \$89,815.32 from the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund created under MGL Ch. 44, §53F3/4, representing the amount received in the previous quarter, to be paid to Franklin Cable Access Corp. to operate the cable access studio and otherwise fund its operations. **Approved 9-0.**

- d. [Resolution 22-18: Gift Acceptance - Veterans' Services Department \(\\$350\)](#) (**Motion to Approve Resolution 22-18 - Majority Vote**)

ACTION: The Town Council approved Resolution 22-18 to accept four generous donations on behalf of the Veterans Services Department to be applied towards the Veterans' Municipal Assistance Fund and used at the discretion of the Veterans Services Department.

Approved 9-0.

10. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

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. *Exemption #3: Collective Bargaining (all Town unions) - 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.*

ACTION: The Town Council entered Executive Session at 8:33 PM.

15. ADJOURN

Note:

Two-Thirds Vote: requires 6 votes

Majority Vote: requires majority of members present and voting