



FRANKLIN TOWN COUNCIL

Agenda & Meeting Packet

January 6, 2021

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

2nd floor, Council Chambers

355 East Central Street

7:00 PM

ACTIONS TAKEN

The public will **NOT** be permitted to enter the building or participate in person. Only pre-approved participants on the meeting agenda will be allowed to enter the Building and participate in person. **Residents can attend and participate via the “ZOOM” Platform.**

A NOTE TO RESIDENTS: Due to the continued concerns regarding the COVID-19 virus and Governor Baker's declared State of Emergency, we will be conducting a remote/virtual Town Council Meeting for all public access and participation. In an effort to ensure citizen engagement and comply with open meeting law regulations, citizens will be able to dial into the meeting using the provided phone number (Cell phone or Landline Required) OR citizens can participate by clicking on the attached [link](#) (Phone, Computer, or Tablet required). The attached link and phone number will be active for the duration of the meeting for citizens to ask questions/voice concerns. If residents are just interested in watching the meeting it will also be [live-streamed by Franklin TV](#) and shown on Comcast Channel 11 and Verizon Channel 29.

- **Link to access meeting:** January 6th, 2021 Town Council Meeting Link [HERE](#) -- Then click “Open Zoom”
 - Or copy and paste this URL into your browser: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83891377412>
 - **Call-In Phone Number:** Call 1-929-205-6099 and enter Meeting ID # 838 9137 7412 --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.*

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 - None Scheduled

4. PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS - None Scheduled

5. APPOINTMENTS - None Scheduled

6. HEARINGS - 7:10pm - None Scheduled

7. LICENSE TRANSACTIONS - None Scheduled

8. PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS

- a. Hazard Mitigation Plan: Bryan Taberner, Director of Planning and Community Development

- i. Staff Memo's & Materials
- ii. [Proposed Hazard Mitigation Plan](#)

9. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

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

10. LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

- a. Resolution 21-01: To Adopt The Town of Franklin Hazard Mitigation Plan 2020 Update (**Motion to Approve Resolution 21-01 - Majority Vote**)

ACTION: The Town Council made a motion to approve Resolution 21-01, to adopt the updated 2020 Hazard Mitigation Plan. **Approved 9-0**

- b. Resolution 21-02: Authorizing the Borrowing of Money to Pay Costs of the Beaver Street Interceptor Replacement Project (**Motion to Approve Resolution 21-02 - Two Thirds Majority Vote**)

ACTION: The Town Council made a motion to approve Resolution 21-02, to authorize the borrowing of \$25 Million dollars to cover the anticipated costs for the Beaver Street Interceptor replacement project. **Approved 8-1 (No: Bissanti)**

- c. Resolution 21-03: Gift acceptance - Fire Department, \$85 (**Motion to Approve Resolution 21-03 - Majority Vote**)

ACTION: The Town Council made a motion to approve Resolution 21-03, to accept two exceptionally generous donations totalling \$85 for the Fire Department. **Approved 9-0**

- d. Resolution 21-04: Gift acceptance - Police Department, \$5025 (**Motion to Approve Resolution 21-04 - Majority Vote**)

ACTION: The Town Council made a motion to approve Resolution 21-04, to accept three generous donations totalling \$5,025. Frank and Lorraine Kaoudelka \$5000, Mary Ginivan \$15, and Virginia Hurley \$10. These donations were made in support of the Franklin Police Department. **Approved 9-0**

- e. Resolution 21-05: Gift Acceptance - Recreation Department, \$49,806.69 (**Motion to Approve Resolution 21-05 - Majority Vote**)

ACTION: The Town Council made a motion to approve Resolution 21-05, to accept an exceptionally generous donation of \$49,806.69 from Joseph Vendetti to the Recreation Department. This donation will be allocated towards the purchase and installation of a new playground at the Beaver Pond Recreation Area in memory of Joseph and Mary Vendetti. **Approved 9-0**

11. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- a. COVID-19 Update

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