



FRANKLIN TOWN COUNCIL

Agenda & Meeting Packet

March 4, 2020

Municipal Building
Council Chambers
355 East Central Street
2nd Floor
7:00 PM

ACTIONS TAKEN

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 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

- a. February 5, 2020

ACTION: The Council approved the February 5, 2020 Minutes. **Approved 9-0**

4. PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

- a. Boston Post Cane Award

5. APPOINTMENTS - None Scheduled

6. HEARINGS - None Scheduled

7. LICENSE TRANSACTIONS - None Scheduled

8. PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS

- a. Municipal Aggregation
- b. FY21 Budget Update

9. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

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

10. LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

- a. Resolution 20-14: The Town of Franklin Civil Discourse Pledge (**Motion to approve Resolution 20-14 - Majority Vote**)

ACTION AMENDMENT: Motion to amend Resolution 20-14, The Town of Franklin Civil Discourse Pledge, at Sections 3 and 4. **Approved 8-1-0 (Abstained: Matthew Kelly)**

ACTION: The Council made a motion to adopt Resolution 20-14, The Town of Franklin Civil Discourse Pledge. **Approved 6-1-2 (Abstained: Matthew Kelly) (No: Andrew Bissanti, Eamon McCarthy Earls)**

- b. Resolution 20-15: Appropriation of Cable Funds in Support of PEG Service and Programming per M.G.L Ch.44, §53F3/4 **(Motion to Approve Resolution 20-15 - Majority Vote)**

ACTION: The Council made a motion to approve resolution 20-15, the Massachusetts Department of Revenue requires the Town Council to vote to appropriate PEG funds received from Comcast and Verizon to an established revolving account. This resolution appropriated \$180,942.35 in PEG funds received in the Fourth Quarter from Verizon and Comcast to the Cable Access Corporation per M.G.L Ch.4, §53F3/4. **Approved 9-0**

- c. Zoning Bylaw Amendment 20-853: Zoning Map Changes on or Near Pleasant, Chestnut, and Brook Streets - **Referral to the Planning Board (Motion to Refer Zoning Bylaw Amendment 20-853 to the Planning Board - Majority Vote)**

ACTION: The Council made a motion to refer Zoning Bylaw Amendment 20-853, Zoning Map Changes on or near Pleasant, Chestnut and Brook Streets to the Planning Board. **Approved 7-0 (Recused: Andrew Bissanti, Robert Dellorco)**

- d. Zoning Bylaw Amendment 20-849: Changes to Ground-Mounted Solar Energy System Use Regulations, And Use Regulations Schedule Updates- Second Reading **(Motion to Adopt Zoning Bylaw Amendment 20-849 - Two Thirds Majority Roll Call Vote)**

ACTION: The Council made a motion to adopt Zoning Bylaw Amendment 20-849, Changes to Ground-Mounted Solar Energy System use regulations, and use regulations schedule updates. **Approved 9-0**

- e. Zoning By-law Amendment 20-850: Zoning Map Changes On Or Near Highland, Maple and Lincoln Streets- Second Reading **(Motion to Adopt Zoning Bylaw Amendment 20-850 - Two Thirds Majority Roll Call Vote)**

ACTION: The Council made a motion to adopt Zoning Bylaw Amendment 20-850, Zoning map changes on or near Highland, Maple and Lincoln Streets. **Approved 9-0**

- f. Zoning Bylaw Amendment 20-851: Zoning Map Changes On Or Near Oak Street and Dailey Drive - Second Reading **(Motion to Adopt Zoning Bylaw Amendment 20-851 - Two Thirds Majority Roll Call Vote)**

ACTION: The Council made a motion to adopt Zoning Bylaw Amendment 20-851, Zoning map changes on or near Oak Street and Dailey Drive. **Approve 9-0**

11. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. COUNCIL COMMENTS

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. *Collective Bargaining*

- i. *I request a motion that the Board vote to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing strategy with respect to collective bargaining, because an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the Board.*

**15. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION:
LEGISLATION FOR ACTION, CONTINUED**

- a. Resolution 20-16: Ratification of the Memorandum of Agreement Between the AFSCME Local 1298, Council 93, Public Facilities Maintenance Employees and the Town of Franklin (**Motion to Approve Resolution 20-16 - Majority Vote**)

ACTION: The Council made a motion to approve Resolution 20-16, to ratify the memorandum of agreement between the AFSCME Local 1298, Council 93, Public Facilities Maintenance Employees and the Town of Franklin. **Approved 9-0**

16. ADJOURN

Note:

Two-Thirds Vote: requires 6 votes

Majority Vote: requires majority of members present and voting