



Town of Franklin Council

Agenda

August 2, 2021

6:00 p.m.

1. **Call to Order-** Mayor Bob Scott
2. **Pledge of Allegiance-** Vice-Mayor Jack Horton
3. **Adoption of the August 2, 2021 Town Council Agenda-** Town Council
4. **Approval of the Consent Agenda for August 2, 2021-** Town Council
 - A.) Approval of July 6, 2021 Town Council Minutes
 - B.) Budget Amendments
 - C.) Re-Appointment of Matt Holland to the TDA Board
 - D.) Re-Appointment of Peter Mosco to the Board of Adjustment and Planning Board
 - E.) Re-Appointment of James Smith to the Board of Adjustment and Planning Board
 - F.) Street Closing Request by Nikwasi Initiative for Nikwasi LN
5. **Public Session**
6. **New Business**
 - A.) Presentation of Valor – Chief of Police Bill Harrell
 - B.) Proclamation for Homeless Veterans Week – Mayor Bob Scott
 - C.) Acceptance of American Rescue Plan Act Funds – Interim Town Manager Justin Setser
 - D.) Acceptance of the NC Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Funds – Interim Town Manger Justin Setser
 - E.) Creation of Capital Project Ordinance for Phase 2 of Water Treatment Plant – Interim Town Manager Justin Setser and Finance Director Sarah Bishop
 - F.) Acceptance of Certification of Sufficiency and Set Public Hearing for Annexation of Satellite Property off of Siler RD – Town Clerk Travis Tallent and Town Attorney John Henning Jr.
 - G.) Request to Forward Rezoning Petition to Planning Board for 4.5 Acres off of Siler Rd - Interim Town Manager Justin Setser
 - H.) Agreement for Installation of Duke Energy EV Fast Charging Station – Interim Town Manager Justin Setser
7. **Announcements**
 - A.) Town Council Meeting Tuesday September 7, 2021.
 - B.) Town Hall Offices will be closed on Monday September 6, 2021 in observation of Labor Day.
 - C.) Next Free Family Movie night will be on Friday August 6, 2021 in the Lower Town Hall Parking Lot. The Featured Presentation that night will be the Princess Bride. Then with Raya and the Last Dragon on September 3, 2021.
8. **Adjourn**

August 2, 2021 meeting,

The Franklin Town Council held its monthly meeting on August 2, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Board Room. Mayor Robert S. Scott presided. Vice Mayor Jack Horton, Council Members Joe Collins, Mike Lewis, and Dinah Mashburn were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-Mayor Jack Horton.

Motion was made by Collins, seconded by Horton to excuse Council Member David Culpepper from the meeting. Motion carried. Vote: 4 to 0.

Adoption of the August 2, 2021 Town Council Agenda

Mayor Scott said the Council needed to add a closed session.

Council Member Horton said the Council needed to add discussion of the Christmas Parade.

Motion was made by Lewis, seconded by Mashburn to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried. Vote: 4 to 0.

Approval of the Consent Agenda for July 6, 2021

- A.) Approval of July 6, 2021 Town Council Minutes
- B.) Budget Amendments
- C.) Re-Appointment of Matt Holland to the TDA
- D.) Re-Appointment of Peter Mosco to the Board of Adjustment and Planning Board
- E.) Re-Appointment of James Smith to the Board of Adjustment and Planning Board
- F.) Street Closing Request by Nikwasi Initiative for Nikwasi Ln

Motion was made by Collins, seconded by Horton to approve the Consent Agenda for August 2, 2021. Motion carried. Vote: 4 to 0.

Public Session

Gary Shaw spoke in support of the skate park. He said the local group of skaters has raised \$3,000.

Sarah Johnson said that she has concerns about runoff from the skatepark into the creek.

Olga Lampkin said she supports the skatepark.

New Business: Presentation of Valor

Brandy Burns and James Hampton were honored for their actions to help subdue a violent suspect.

New Business: Proclamation for Homeless Veterans

Mayor Scott read the Proclamation for Homeless Veterans.

Motion was made by Lewis, seconded by Mashburn to approve the Proclamation for Homeless Veterans. Motion carried. Vote: 4 to 0. Proclamation is attached.

August 2, 2021 meeting continued,

New Business: Acceptance of American Rescue Plan Act Funds

Interim Town Manager Justin Setser presented this item.

Motion was made by Lewis, seconded by Masburn to accept the American Rescue Plan Act Funds. Motion carried. Vote: 4 to 0.

New Business: Acceptance of the NC Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Funds

Interim Town Manager Setser presented this item. The loan will be for \$8,889,000 with a .13% interest rate. These funds will go towards phase 2 of the water plant upgrade.

Motion was made by Collins, seconded by Lewis to accept the NC Drinking Water State Motion carried. Vote: 4 to 0.

New Business: Creation of Capital Project Ordinance for Phase 2 of the Water Treatment Plant

Interim Town Manager Setser and Finance Director Sarah Bishop presented this item.

Motion was made by Horton, seconded by Lewis to approve the create and approve a Capital Project Ordinance for Phase 2 of the Water Treatment Plant. Motion carried. Vote: 4 to 0.

New Business: Acceptance of Certification of Sufficiency and Set Public Hearing for Annexation of Satellite Property off of Siler Road

Town Clerk Travis Tallent said he had approved the Certificate of Sufficiency for the annexation of the property.

Town Attorney John Henning Jr. said the Council needs to set a public hearing.

Motion was made by Collins, seconded by Lewis to accept the Certification of Sufficiency and set a Public Hearing for the Annexation at the September 7, 2021 meeting at 6:05 p.m. Motion carried. Vote: 4 to 0.

New Business: Request to Forward Rezoning Petition to Planning Board for 4.5 Acres off of Siler Road

Interim Town Manager/Land Use Administrator Setser presented this item. He said the petition is the rezone the parcel from R-1 to C-2.

Motion was made by Horton, seconded by Lewis to forward the Rezoning Petition to the Town Planning Board. Motion carried. Vote: 4 to 0.

New Business: Agreement for Installation of Duke Energy EV Fast Charging Station

Interim Town Manager Setser said Duke Energy has proposed to install fast charging station in the public parking area below Town Hall. He said it would be no cost to the Town and would use two to three parking spaces.

Motion was made by Collins, seconded by Mashburn to approve the Agreement for Installation of Duke Energy EV Fast Charging Station. Motion carried. Vote: 4 to 0.

August 2, 2021 meeting continued,

New Business: Discussion on the Christmas Parade

Council Member Horton said that he and Police Chief Bill Harrell had met with the Chamber of Commerce to discuss options for being able to keep the annual Christmas Parade from being canceled.

He said that \$1,200 from the fund balance could be moved into the Police Overtime budget to provide the officers needed for the event. He said that the Franklin Chamber of Commerce believes they can find the volunteers to make the event happen.

Council Member Collins said he would like to see the formation of an auxiliary group to help with events such as the Christmas Parade in the future.

Motion was made by Horton, seconded by Lewis to move \$1,200 from the Town's Fund Balance to Police Overtime in order to help with the Christmas Parade. Motion carried. Vote: 4 to 0.

Legal: Closed Session Pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11 (a)(6), to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee.

Motion was made by Lewis, seconded by Horton at 6:35 p.m. to enter into closed session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11 (a)(6), to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee. Motion carried. Vote: 4 to 0.

Motion was made by Collins, seconded by Horton to return to the open session at 7:25 p.m. Motion carried. Vote: 4 to 0.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Lewis, seconded by Collins at 7:25 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote: 4 to 0.

Robert S. Scott, Mayor

Travis Tallent, Town Clerk