



Town of Franklin Council

Agenda

December 7, 2020

6:00 p.m.

1. **Call to Order**- Mayor Bob Scott
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**- Vice Mayor Barbara McRae
3. **Adoption of the December 7, 2020 Town Council Agenda**- Town Council
4. **Approval of the Consent Agenda for December 7, 2020**- Town Council
 - A.) Approval of November 2 and November 17, 2020 Town Council Minutes
 - B.) Budget Amendments
 - C.) Tax Release
 - D.) Adoption of Town of Franklin Council Meeting Schedule for 2021
 - E.) Adoption of Town of Franklin Holiday Schedule for 2021
5. **Public Session**
6. **New Business:**
 - A.) Presentation on Town of Franklin FY 2019-2020 Audit- Martin Starnes Associate
 - B.) Presentation on Updates to 160 D of the Unified Development Ordinance- Land Use Administrator Justin Setser
 - C.) Forward Text Amendment to the Town Planning Board- Land Use Administrator Justin Setser
 - D.) Request for Water Bill Waiver at 1144 Patton Road- Town Manager Summer Woodard
 - E.) Discussion on Early Retirement for Law Enforcement Officers- Town Attorney John Henning Jr. and Human Resource Director Travis Tallent
7. **Legal**
 - A.) Discussion on Parades and Demonstrations Ordinance- Town Attorney John Henning Jr.
8. **Announcements**
 - A.) Town Hall Offices will be closed Thursday December 24th, Friday December 25th and Monday December 28th for Christmas
 - B.) Town Hall Offices will be closed Friday January 1st, 2021 for New Years
9. **Adjourn**

December 7, 2020 meeting,

The Franklin Town Council held its monthly meeting on December 7, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Board Room. Mayor Robert S. Scott presided. Vice-Mayor Barbara McRae, Council Members Joe Collins, David Culpepper, Jack Horton, Mike Lewis, and Dinah Mashburn were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-Mayor McRae.

Adoption of the December 7, 2020 Town Council Agenda

Town Manager Summer Woodard asked to add some budget amendments to the consent agenda.

Motion was made by Horton, seconded by McRae to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.

Approval of the Consent Agenda for November 2, 2020

- A.) Approval of the November 2 and November 17, 2020 Town Council Minutes
- B.) Budget Amendments
- C.) Tax Release
- D.) Adoption of Town of Franklin Council Meeting Schedule for 2021
- E.) Adoption of Town of Franklin Holiday Schedule for 2021

Motion was made by Mashburn, seconded by McRae to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.

Public Session

Nobody from the public spoke.

New Business: Presentation on Town of Franklin FY 2019-2020 Audit

Kelly Gooderham presented this item on behalf of Martin Starnes. Audit is attached.

Motion was made by Horton, seconded by Mashburn to accept the audit as presented. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.

New Business: Presentation on Updates to 160D of the Unified Development Ordinance

Land Use Administrator Justin Setser presented this item.

New Business: Forward Text Amendment to the Town Planning Board

In consideration of state statute changes in regards to 160D of the Unified Development Ordinance as presented by Setser, the Town Council forwarded the Text Amendment to the Planning Board.

Motion was made by Collins, seconded by McRae to forward Text Amendment to the Town Planning Board. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.

December 7, 2020 meeting continued,

New Business: Request for Water Bill Waiver at 1144 Patton Road

Town Manager Summer Woodard said that she was unaware of the Town Council ever waiving a water bill.

Motion was made by Collins, seconded by Lewis to deny the water bill waiver for 1144 Patton Road. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.

New Business: Discussion on Early Retirement for Law Enforcement Officers

HR Director Travis Tallent told the Town Council that there was potential for a policy change that would allow police officers with at least 25 years of service to retire early and that the Town could offer them a severance package that would include a lump sum payout instead of monthly separation payments.

Council Member Joe Collins said that this could be a good tool for the Town to utilize in the future.

Town Manager Summer Woodard told the Town Council that she wanted the board to be aware of the potential for the change and that town staff would continue to work on the policy and bring it back to the January meeting.

Legal: Discussion on Parade and Demonstrations Ordinance

Town Attorney John Henning Jr. presented this item.

The Town Council asked Henning Jr. to bring this ordinance and a gazebo use ordinance or policy back to the Council in January.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Collins, seconded by Culpepper to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.

Robert S. Scott, Mayor

Travis Tallent, Town Clerk