



Town of Franklin Board of Aldermen

Agenda

December 5, 2016

7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order- Mayor Bob Scott
2. Pledge of Allegiance- Vice Mayor Patti Abel
3. Adoption of the December 5, 2016 Town Board Agenda
4. Approval of November 7, 2016 Town Board Minutes
5. Public Session
6. New Business
 - A.) Presentation of Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Town of Franklin Audit- Martin Starnes Associate Kelly Gooderham
 - B.) Budget Amendments- Finance Officer Kyra Doster
 - C.) Approval of the 2017 Town Board Regular Meeting Schedule- Town Manager Summer Woodard
 - D.) Approval of the 2017 Town of Franklin Holiday Schedule- Town Manager Summer Woodard
 - E.) Discussion on Two (2) Hour Parking Limit on Main Street- Mayor Bob Scott
7. Legal
 - A.) Ordinance Amendment Regarding Extraterritorial Jurisdiction of Police Officers- Town Attorney John Henning Jr.
 - B.) Ordinance Amendment Regarding Fire Inspections by the Fire Chief- Town Attorney John Henning Jr
 - C.) Discussion on Ordinance Amendments- Town Attorney John Henning Jr
8. Announcements
 - A.) Town Employee Christmas Luncheon will be 12:00 p.m. Friday December 9, 2016 at Boiler Room
 - B.) Town Hall Offices will be closed December 23-27 in observance of the Christmas Holiday
 - C.) Town Hall Offices will be closed Monday January 2, 2017 in observance of New Year's Day
 - D.) The next regularly scheduled Town Board meeting will be Tuesday January 2, 2016.
9. Adjournment

December 5, 2016 meeting,

The Town of Franklin Board of Aldermen held their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday November 7, 2016 at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall Board Room. Mayor Robert S. Scott presided. Aldermen Joe Collins, Adam Kimsey, Billy Mashburn, Brandon McMahan, and Barbara McRae were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was done.

Motion was made by Kimsey, seconded by McRae to excuse Vice-Mayor Patti Abel from the meeting. Motion carried. Vote: 5 to 0.

Adoption of December 5, 2016 Town Board Agenda

Motion was made by McRae, seconded by McMahan to adopt December 5, 2016 agenda as presented. Motion carried. Vote: 5 to 0.

Approval of November 7, 2016 Town Board minutes

Motion was made by Kimsey, seconded by Collins to approve November 7, 2016 minutes as presented. Motion carried. Vote: 5 to 0.

Public Session

No person spoke during the public session.

New Business: Presentation of Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Town of Franklin Audit

Martin Starnes Associate Kelly Gooderham presented the 2015-2016 fiscal year Town of Franklin audit. A copy of the presentation is attached.

Summer Woodard – Town Manager – Mr. Mayor and Board, Just wanted to point out one thing. The tax decrease was attributed to two large payments that were not submitted to the Town until October 2016. They were late payments. That's why our tax collection decreased.

New Business: Budget Amendments

Kyra Doster presented the attached five budget amendments.

Motion was made by McMahan, seconded by Kimsey to approve the five budget amendments. Motion carried. Vote: 5 to 0. A copy of the budget amendments are attached.

New Business: Approval of the 2017 Town Board Regular Meeting Schedule

Motion was made by McMahan, seconded by McRae to approve 2017 Town Board Regular meeting schedule. Motion carried. Vote: 5 to 0. A copy of the schedule is attached.

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New Business: Approval of the 2017 Town of Franklin Holiday Schedule

Motion was made by McRae, seconded by Kimsey to approve the 2017 Town of Franklin Holiday Schedule. Motion carried. Vote: 5 to 0. A copy of the schedule is attached.

New Business: Discussion on Two (2) Hour Parking Limit on Main Street

Mayor Scott – It has come to my attention that some of the merchants are concerned about the number of vehicles parked on Main Street all day. On the other hand I've had another merchant request to not limit parking to two hours, because they think it needs to be longer. But merchants agree that there is a problem. I think we have four options. The first one is to do nothing. Two is to limit parking on Main Street to two (2) hours. Three is to limit parking on Main Street to people who work, live or regularly conduct business on Main Street. This would include anyone, whether full time or part time, who regularly conducts business on Main Street for more than two hours. Finally, we could call for voluntary parking compliance. And I think in the future we could look at some parking decks. I know this isn't new. There was a petition about ten years ago, to do exactly what we are talking about. I would just like to hear some discussion.

The Board of Aldermen discussed this issue at length.

Motion was made by McRae, seconded by Collins to authorize Mayor Bob Scott to send a letter to merchants to consider not parking on Main Street and to ask employees to do the same in order to open up more parking for tourists and visitors. Motion carried. Vote: 5 to 0. A copy of the letter is attached.

Legal: Ordinance Amendment Regarding Extraterritorial Jurisdiction of Police Officers

John Henning Jr. – Town Attorney – I will ask this Board to bring this back up next month. There was an updated version I wanted you to consider. I don't have it with me tonight.

Legal: Ordinance Regarding Fire Inspections by the Fire Chief

John Henning Jr. – Town Attorney – This will simply recognize the fact that we have always provided for fire inspections through an interlocal agreement with the county. And so this will state that without such an agreement, our Fire Chief will become the fire inspector.

Motion was made by Collins, seconded by Mashburn to adopt Ordinance Amendment regarding Fire Inspections by the Fire Chief. Motion carried. Vote: 5 to 0. A copy of the ordinance is attached.

Legal: Discussion on Ordinance Amendments

John Henning Jr. – Town Attorney – I will bring these to you next month.

Announcements:

Mayor Scott – We have lifted our burning ban and I wanted to let everyone know.

December 5, 2016 meeting minutes,

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The next regularly scheduled Town Board meeting will be Tuesday January 3, 2017.

Alderman Collins – I do want to give a brief report. Summer Woodard and I met with Todd Mason last week to talk about some general things dealing with the Alcohol Beverage Control Board store (ABC Store). What we are looking at here is a productive ABC store, I believe they will be getting \$2.5 million in gross sales annually. They have two (2) years remaining on their current lease, and its \$8,500 a month plus the cost of maintenance and repairs. It amounts to over \$100,000. I don't sense an impetus from their side to look anywhere else for a store. I believe that the situation a couple years ago when the suggestion of moving it to the new Walmart shopping center, I think that didn't go well on that side. And that's where they are at. I think Todd noted that the next renewal period will be for three years (3) after the remaining two (2), and that he has about five (5) years before he can retire. Of course he has been our only store manager. So the Town is going to be in a position to consider if we want to get some type of location, which will hopefully be a lot more profitable in the long term. We would certainly want to have options. I sensed last time there was no other good options, and I believe they didn't have a good bargaining position. So let's start thinking about this for our retreat. Todd did suggest that 5,000 square feet was the optimal need. They have about 6,000 square feet now because that's what was available. It wouldn't take long to pay off \$100,000, and that would relax the income requirements coming into the Town. It was a very informative meeting. That's all I have. Thank you.

Adjournment:

Motion was made by McRae, seconded by McMahan to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. Motion carried. Vote: 5 to 0.

Chad B. Simons, Town Clerk

Robert S. Scott, Mayor