

**Town of Franklin
7 Meetinghouse Hill Road
Franklin, Connecticut 06254**

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
FRANKLIN BOARD OF SELECTMAN
December 20th at 6:30pm**

CALL TO ORDER: First Selectman Alden Miner called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

PRESENT: Selectmen; Alden Miner, Russell Beisiegel, & Thomas Craney; Administrative Assistant; Heather Glidden.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: Mark Nall, Danitza Nall and Richard Dvorak; Fire Department

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: Length of Service program; FD

MOTION #1: Selectman Russell Beisiegel made motion to add the listed item to the agenda. Selectman Thomas Craney seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

MOTION #2: Selectman Thomas Craney made motion to move Tax Ordinance and Length of Service up on the agenda. Selectman Russell Beisiegel seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

Tax Ordinance: The Fire Department presented their request for updated the ordinance.

MOTION #3: Selectman Thomas Craney made motion to table the Tax Ordinance. Selectman Russell Beisiegel seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

Length of Service: As of right now monthly payment is \$5 for each year serviced; up to 30 years; they are looking to double it.

MOTION #4: Selectman Thomas Craney made motion to table the Length of Service Program. Selectman Russell Beisiegel seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

A) December 6th, 2023: Review of reports; The Woodward House is SHIFTING

MOTION #5: Selectman Thomas Craney made motion to approve the minutes as amended. Selectman Russell Beisiegel seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

REVIEW OF REPORTS:

- A) Department Public Works:** Catch basin cleaning is done; spare plow truck is again in the shop for repair. Storm clean-up is underway.
- B) Town Facilities:** Well has been drilled; phase one of the project has been completed. The piping into the building is in process next.
- C) Financial Reports:** Financial reports were presented; discussion ensued.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A) Urban Action Grant:** Alden provided legal counsel's response for some questions the town had.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A) ZBA Appointment:** Tabled
- B) Tax Relief Ordinance:** See Above
- C) WPCA Membership:** Alden has proposed the possibility of increasing the WPCA membership. Legal counsel's recommendation will be looked into. The WPCA ordinance will need to revise.
- D) Length of service:** See Above

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING: The next scheduled meeting of the Franklin Board of Selectman is on January 3rd 2024 at 6:30 pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION #6: Selectman Thomas Craney made motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm. Selectman Russell Beisiegel seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Glidden
Administrative Assistant to the First Selectman