

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

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
FRANKLIN BOARD OF SELECTMAN
May 26th 2021 at 8:45am**

CALL TO ORDER: First Selectman Charles Grant called the meeting to order at 9:06 am.

PRESENT: Selectmen Russell Beisiegel, Thomas Craney, Charles Grant, Administrative Assistant;
Heather Glidden

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: Roland Mihok

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ADDITION TO AGENDA: None

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

A. April 28^h 2021:

MOTION #1: Selectman Thomas Craney made motion to accept the minutes as presented. Selectman Russell Beisiegel seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

B. May 3rd 2021:

MOTION #2: Selectman Russell Beisiegel made motion to accept the minutes as present. Selectman Thomas Craney seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

REVIEW OF REPORTS:

A. Department of Public Works:

- sweeping almost completed; currently prepping for Memorial Day parade.
- culvert near 145 Pleasure Hill Rd needs to be looked at; the one of Murphy Rd should also be looked at before work begins on the road.
- water systems and wells at Tyler Dr, Giddings Park and town hall have been inspected by DPH. There are some issues that will be addressed at Tyler Dr. Russell suggested possible looking into drilling a new well at that location.
- Thomas asked who takes care of the pond behind the firehouse due to a dry hydrant being located there. Public Works clears it out.

B. Financial Reports: Up to date financial reports were presented.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. COVID-19:

MOTION #3: Selectman Thomas Craney made motion to reopen town hall to normal operations with masks and social distancing required. Selectman Russell Beisiegel seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

MOTION #4: Selectman Charles Grant made motion to set the annual town meeting for June 21st at 7pm at the municipal complex. Selectman Thomas Craney seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously

B. Murphy Road Widening Update: There were about 9 contractors at the recent pre-bid conference. Hopefully the town will get 4 or 5 bids for the project. Russell questioned the specifications for the paving equipment. The engineer will be asked about this.

NEW BUSINESS: Commission Appointments:

MOTION #5: Selectman Russell Beisiegel made motion to appoint Mike Miner to the Agriculture & Conservation Commission to fill the position left vacant by Susan Allen until 9/19/2022. Selectman Thomas Craney seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

MOTION #6: Selectman Russell Beisiegel made motion to re-appoint:

- Donald Smith to the Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission for a 4-year term ending 9/30/2023.
- Niels Jeppeson to the Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission for a 4-year term ending 9/30/2023.
- Joe LeVasseur to the Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission for a 4-year term ending 9/30/2023.

Selectman Thomas Craney seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

-Thomas brought to the board's attention that the town clerk received notice that a child got injured at the park when he ran into a board of wood attached to some posts. The board will be removed.

-Russell stated is a property on route 32 that needs to be address; there is a lot of equipment all over the property. The zoning agent will be notified of it.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING: The next scheduled meeting of the Franklin Board of Selectman is a regular meeting on June 9th 2021 at 8:45am.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION #7: Selectman Thomas Craney made motion to adjourn the meeting at 10.45. Selectman Russell Beisiegel seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Glidden
Administrative Assistant to the First Selectman