

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

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
FRANKLIN BOARD OF SELECTMAN
October 27th 2021 at 8:45am**

CALL TO ORDER: First Selectman Charles Grant called the meeting to order at 8:51 am.

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

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: Richard Hiscox, Lynda Feder-Craney, Town Clerk.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ADDITION TO AGENDA: Under new Business: d) Recreation commission.

MOTION #1: Selectman Russell Beisiegel made motion to accept the addition to the agenda. Selectman Thomas Craney seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

A. October 14th 2021: Tabled

REVIEW OF REPORTS:

A. Department of Public Works:

- Salt supplier have been slow to give pricing. Russell spoke about getting a presentation from companies regarding treated salt.
- Catch basin cleaning will be starting soon.

B. Town Facilities: Bids for town projects were presented. Green Valley mold clean-up still occurring. The school's cleaning company is not doing as good of a job in the Green Valley section as FES side. While Green Valley school was doing a deep clean; a problem tile was found. The tile will be tested. The Fire Dept is questioning the quality of the water; water testing is done quarterly the water is safe. Energy upgrade completed at town hall last week; Tyler Dr next week. The mouse issues in the solar panels have been resolved. New phone system in works for satellite offices; meeting was had last week Comcast.

MOTION #2: Selectman Russell Beisiegel made motion to accept low bids; library pavilion to American Landscape for \$4,465.25 and pavilion at Giddings Park to G. Donovan for \$ 9,100. Selectman Thomas Craney seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

C. Financial Reports: Up to date financial reports and tax refunds were presented.

MOTION #3: Selectman Thomas Craney made motion to accept the tax refunds as presented. Selectman Russell Beisiegel seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Murphy Road:** The Town has received DOT approval for guiderail at the Rt. 87 end of Murphy Rd. This guiderail was requested by the resident for safety.
- B. COVID-19:** Senior Center had the first luncheon after reopening. Everything seemed to go well.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Appointments:

MOTION #4: Selectman Russell Beisiegel made motion to appoint Raymond Baribeault to fill the open regular position on IWWC with a term ending 9/30/2025.

B. FOIA: Tabled

- C. Hometown Heroes:** The Fire Department did an actuarial valuation study to see if doubling the service credit is feasible and affordable. This item needs to be looked into as it's believed the amount was voted on at a town meeting.
- D. Recreation Commission:** A resident sent an email expressing concern regarding scheduling of the baseball fields. Rich Hiscox sent a reply email as a representative of the CT Bombers organization; the president of little league sent a reply as well. Rich gave an overview of the procedures for scheduling of the fields.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: The town clerk presented an email regarding changing of the light in the vault. The State of Connecticut needs to approve any modification made in the vault.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING: The next scheduled meeting of the Franklin Board of Selectman is a regular meeting on November 10th 2021 at 8:45am.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION #5: Selectman Thomas Craney made motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:53am. Selectman Russell Beisiegel seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Glidden
Administrative Assistant to the First Selectman