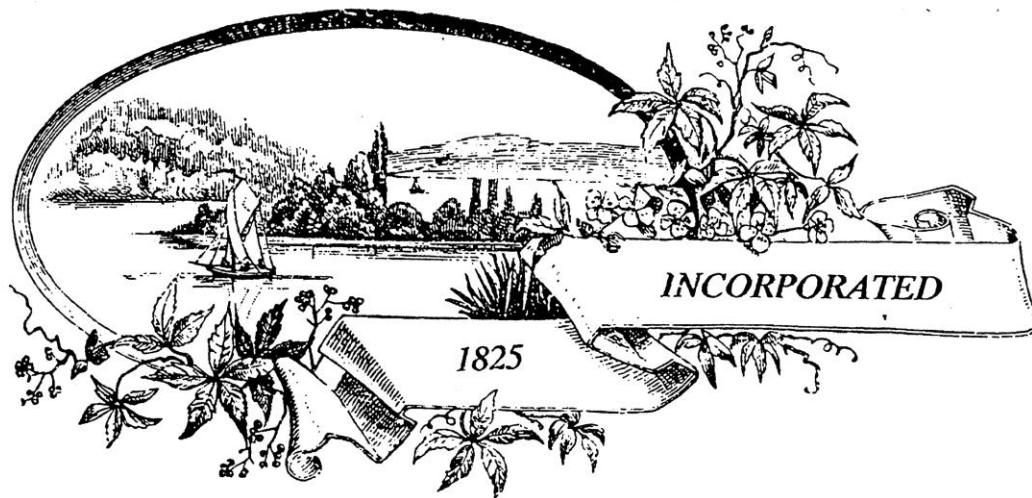


FRANKLIN



Planning Board Ordinance

Of The

TOWN OF

FRANKLIN, MAINE

Planning Board Established	March 17, 1969
Ordinance Adopted	August 30, 1972
Amended	March 26, 1983
Amended	March 24, 1984
Amended	March 23, 1985
Amended	March 22, 1986
Amended	March 24, 1990
Amended	March 24, 2005

Attest and Certified By: _____
Deborah T Lurvey
Town Clerk, Franklin, Maine

Date: _____

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Ordinance for the Establishment of the Franklin Planning Board

1. Establishment

Pursuant to Art. VIII, pt. 2, Section 1 of the Maine Constitution and 30-A, M.R.S.A. § 3001, the Town of Franklin hereby establishes the Franklin Planning Board.

2. Appointment

- A. Board members shall be appointed by the municipal officers and sworn by the clerk or other person authorized to administer oaths.
- B. The Board shall consist of 7 members.
- C. The term of each member shall be 5 years, except the initial appointments, which shall be; One (1) appointed 5 years; Two (2) elected 4 years; Two (2) appointed 3 years; One (1) appointed for 2 years; One (1) appointed for 1 year.
- D. When there is a permanent vacancy, the Municipal Officers shall, within 60 days of its occurrence, appoint a person to serve for the unexpired term. A vacancy shall occur upon the resignation or death of any member, or when a member ceases to be a legal resident of the town, or when a member fails to attend four (4) consecutive regular meetings, or fails to attend at least 75% of all meetings during the preceding twelve (12) month period. When a vacancy occurs, the chairperson of the board shall immediately so advise the municipal officers in writing. The board may recommend to the municipal officers that the attendance provision be waived for cause, in which case no vacancy will then exist until the Municipal Officers disapprove the recommendation. The Municipal Officers may remove members of the Planning Board by unanimous vote, for cause, after notice and hearing.
- E. Municipal Officers, Code Enforcement Officer, and Licensed Plumbing Inspector may not serve as members.
- F. All members of the Board must be legal residents of the town.

3. Organization and Rules

- A. The Board shall elect a chairman and a secretary from among its members and create and fill such other offices as it may determine. The term of all offices shall be one (1) year with eligibility for reelection,
- B. Any question of whether a member shall be disqualified from voting on a particular matter shall be decided by a majority vote of the members except the member who is being challenged.

- C. The Chairman shall call meetings as necessary to conduct the business of the Board.
- D. No meeting of the Board shall be held without a quorum consisting of four (4) members.
- E. The Board shall adopt rules for the transaction of business and the secretary shall keep a record of its resolutions, transactions, correspondence, findings and determinations. All records shall be deemed public and may be inspected at reasonable times.

4. Duties; Powers

- A. The Board shall perform such duties and exercise such powers as are provided by Town Ordinance and the laws of the State of Maine.
- B. The Board may obtain goods and services necessary to its proper function within the limits of appropriations made for the purpose.

Appendix – Warrant Articles

Annual Town Meeting – March 17, 1969

(Excerpts)

Article 41: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Sections 4951 through 4956 of Title 30 of the Maine Revised Statutes, as amended and authorize and direct Board of Selectmen to establish a planning board in accordance with the provisions of said sections. (Budget Committee recommends \$100.)

Voted “YES, \$100.”

Motioned to accept the article as written. Motion Passed.

Special Town Meeting, August 30, 1972

(Excerpts)

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to confirm the Town Planning Board appointed by the Selectmen as follows; Maynard Connors, Richard Dyer, Haywood Noyes, Andrew Pung, Lloyd Fernald, Theodore Joy, and David Williams.

“Amended ‘For the Board to serve until Town Meeting, next annual’. Voted YES

Town Meeting, March 24, 1990

Article 6: Shall an ordinance entitled ‘Establishment of the Franklin Planning Board,’ be enacted as follows;

Voted ‘YES’ with amendments; amended March 26, 1983; amended March 24, 1984; amended March 23, 1985; amended March 22, 1986; and amended March 24, 1990.

September 2021

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All of the amendments are in research. They will be added when discovered.
