# CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA ITEM VI



**Subject: Other Business** 

**A. Committee Reports** 

**B. City Manager's Update** 



#### CITY OF FRANKLIN COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

City Council Meeting March 2013

Date:

February 25, 2013

From:

Elizabeth Dragon, City Manager

Subject:

Manager's Update

<u>Contingency Grant Line Activity:</u> The City received the following in the contingent grant line this month:

\$200 from Mango for concert series \$4670.71 from St of NH for fire training

Northern Pass project: Representatives from the City (residents & officials) attended hearings on 2/12 & 2/19. Updated schedule regarding bills impacting Northern Pass is attached.

Fire Department: The fire department has been very busy over the last month. I have enclosed two press releases written for fires in February. Feb 9, 2013, there was a 2<sup>nd</sup> alarm building fire at Lucky Lenny's. February 9<sup>th</sup> was particularly cold and windy making fighting this fire even more dangerous. I have copied some pictures for your review to follow. Feb 21, 2013, there was a building fire at 2 Aiken Ave which displaced several people living in apartments. I want to recognize the members of our fire department- both full time and call firefighters- for the professional response and handling of these two incidents in some very difficult weather conditions. I also want to thank our municipal departments (Police & MSD) for the assistance they provided on both of these occasions. Municipal Services made sure Victory Drive was accessible when we needed it. I also want to thank the Franklin Elks Lodge for opening their building to our firefighters for staging, warmth and food. Lastly, I want to thank the fire departments from surrounding communities that provided assistance. These types of emergencies really highlight the great teamwork at play here in Franklin!

Municipal Services: The municipal services department has also been very busy during the month of February. Two major winter storms dumped at times more than a foot of snow here in Franklin. Our municipal services department worked 32hrs straight during the first storm and almost as long during the second. They did a great job keeping our roads clean. I hope the public will be patient as they work to remove snow at different locations. This large snow load makes it difficult to clear sidewalks in some areas where there is no room to push snow from the roads.

# **CITY OF FRANKLIN**

# NORTHERN PASS TRANSMISSION LEGISLATION

FEBRUARY 22, 2013 STATUS REPORT – 2013 SESSION

Bill	Title	Sponsor	Status
<u>HB 166</u>	Requiring the Public Utilities Commission to make specific findings as to the public need for proposed transmission lines. Also requires transmission lines that are deemed "not for the public good" to be placed underground	Townsend, Charles	Exec. Session 2/26/13, 1:00, 304 LOB
HB 286	Relative to broadband infrastructure (changes requirements for the issuance of broadband infrastructure bonds by municipalities)	Townsend, Charles	Rescheduled: Hearing 2/26/13, 11:00, 304, LOB. Full committee work session 3/5/13, 10:00. Exec.session 3/5/13, 1:00.
<u>HB 449</u>	Relative to the application process for a certificate for an energy facility	Ladd, Rick	Exec. Session 2/26/13, 1:00, 304 LOB
HB 484	Relative to public approval prior to issuance of certain site evaluation certificates	Kurk, Neal	Exec. Session 3/5/13, 1:00, 304 LOB
<u>HB 568</u>	Requiring new electric transmission lines in NH to be buried	Rappaport, Laurence	Exec. Session 2/26/13, 1:00, 304 LOB
HB 569	Relative to the placement of all new electric transmission lines in NH	Rappaport, Laurence	Exec. Session 2/26/13, 1:00, 304 LOB
HB 580	Establishing moratoriums on wind turbine plants and electric transmission line projects	Reilly, Harold	Full committee work session 2/28/13, 10:00, 304. Exec. Session 3/5/13, 1:00, 304 LOB
HB 586	la la	Smith, Suzanne	Exec. Session 2/26/13, 1:00, 304 LOB
HB 676	Extending and expanding the Coos County job creation tax credit	Butynski, William	Work session 2/28/13, 1:00, 301 LOB
	Relative to the process for applying for a certificate for an energy facility	Forrester, Jeanie	
<u>SB 124</u>	Establishing an integrated land development permit	Odell, Bob	Hearing 2/7/13, 9:15, 101 LOB
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	Relative to special use permits in the White Mountain National Forest	Woodburn, Jeff	

#### FIRE INCIDENT PUBLIC INFORMATION





#### FRANKLIN FIRE DEPARTMENT 59 W. BOW ST. FRANKLIN, NH 03235 (603) 934-2205 FAX (603) 934-7408

DATE: Monday, February 25, 2013 INCIDENT NO. # 12-172

Incident Location: 202 Central Street

TIME OF ALARM: 1251

UNDER CONTROL: 1501

TYPE OF Incident: 2<sup>nd</sup> Alarm Building Fire

**OWNER:** Leonard Birke

INJURIES: One occupant at the Franklin Elks Lodge was evaluated

for smoke inhalation.

NO. OF FIREFIGHTERS: 65

Mutual Aid Town's assisting: Tilton-Northfield, Sanbornton, Hill, East Andover, Belmont, Gilford, Bristol, Laconia, and Concord worked at the scene while Boscawen covered the Franklin station. Gilford's ambulance worked at the scene. New Hampton provided Ambulance coverage for the Franklin Station. Ambulances from Pennacook Rescue and Tilton covered multiple EMS calls in Franklin. Franklin Police and Municipal Services Departments assisted with road closures and scene support.

Covering Mutual Aid Companies assisted with two other emergencies that occurred in the City during this fire.

### EXTRA REMARKS OR UNUSUAL EVENTS AT INCIDENT:

Franklin and Tilton-Northfield were toned to a building fire at the "Old Lucky Lenny's Hardware" Lakes Region dispatch confirmed that they were receiving many 911 calls reporting the fire. First arriving companies found heavy smoke issuing from the building. Within a few short minutes fire broke through the rear of the building. An aggressive exterior attack with a well-established water supply was key to protecting the adjacent exposures of Ciao Pasta and Bill Hamel's Car Care. This fire was wind driven and difficult to extinguish. Fire fighters struggled while operating at this fire as the frigid temperatures and heavy winds made it difficult to maneuver and operate equipment. The Franklin Elks Lodge provided much appreciated support by opening their building for firefighter staging and warm refreshments. When the fire was brought under control some two hours later, the building was

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deemed a total loss. Crews will remain on scene overnight extinguishing hot spots. Fire Chief Kevin LaChapelle states "Immense teamwork and strong mutual aid support allowed for a successful operation in these adverse weather conditions."

Officer in Charge: Kevin LaChapelle, Fire Chief

Operations Officer: Bruce Goldthwaite, Shift Captain

#### Elizabeth Dragon

Kevin LaChapelle [klachapelle@franklinnh.org] Friday, February 15, 2013 4:16 PM Brian Sullivan; Judie Milner; Elizabeth Dragon

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Kevin P. LaChapelle Fire Chief and EMD Franklin Fire Department 59 West Bow Street Franklin, NH 03235 Station 603.934.2205 Fax 603.934.7408 Cell 603.512.0852



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## **EMERGENCY INCIDENT PUBLIC INFORMATION**





FRANKLIN FIRE DEPARTMENT 59 W. BOW ST. FRANKLIN, NH 03235 (603) 934-2205 FAX (603) 934-7408

**DATE:** 02/21/2013 **INCIDENT:** 225

**INCIDENT LOCATION:** 2 Aiken Ave

TIME OF ALARM: 1551

**UNDER CONTROL: 1623** 

TYPE OF INCIDENT: 1st Alarm structure fire

INJURIES: None

NO. OF EMERGENCY PERSONNEL: 38

MUTUAL AID: Tilton/Northfield, Sanbornton, Belmont, Hill, and Andover. Boscawen covered the Franklin Fire station.

# EXTRA REMARKS OR UNUSUAL EVENTS AT INCIDENT:

Franklin Fire department received Master Box 2222. Upon arrival of responding companies, they found an apartment fire in an occupied multifamily building. The fire was contained to the apartment of origin. The cause of the fire is under investigation and not considered suspicious. Four occupants were displaced due to the fire. The Red Cross is coordinating efforts to provide shelter for those in need.

Captain Hicks stated "Properly working smoke detectors quickly alerted the occupants and the fire department which aided in no civilian injuries and a quick response from the fire department".

Officer In Charge: Capt. Gary Hicks