

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**AGENDA ITEM IV**



CITY OF FRANKLIN  
COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

September 9, 2013 City Council Meeting

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**Subject: City Council/School Board Joint Meetings**

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**Motion: *"I move that the Franklin City Council approves the recommendation from the Liaison Committee to have two Joint City Council/School Board Meetings each year."***

**Mayor calls for second, discussion and the vote.**

**Attachments: Memo to the Mayor and Council from Councilor Trudel, Co-Chair of the Liaison Committee**

August 27, 2013

Paul Trudel Franklin City Council  
316 Central Street  
Franklin, NH 03235

To: Mayor Merrifield and Franklin City Council

Subject: Liaison Committee Recommendation to the Franklin City Council

Dear Mayor and Council,

The joint Liaison Committee of the Franklin School Board and Franklin City Council met as normally scheduled on Thursday, August 8, 2013. All committee members were in attendance.

Following a brief discussion in regards to the frequency that the Shool Liaison Committee should meet, Committee Member Feener commented that she sees "no apparent reason as to why the School Board and the City Council should not be meeting regularly scheduled basis."

After further Discussion the following motion was made by Steve Barton, seconded by Scott Clarenbach and passed unanimously: "The Liaison Committee recommends that the Chairs write a letter to their respective boards recommending a minimum of two joint meetings every year in lieu of having a Liaison Committee."

Although not included in the motion the Co-Chairs were urged to make every effort to ensure the letter was an agenda item at forthcoming School Board and City Council Meetings.

My personal belief is the joint meeting that that was held on July 17<sup>th</sup> served "to break the ice" and open dialogue between the two city bodies. However, I also believe that a regularly scheduled meeting between the School Board and the City Council would further benefit the City of Franklin immensely.

In this regard, I would like to have the Liaison Committee's recommendation placed on the agenda as a topic of discussion and approval/disapproval at the next regularly scheduled City Council Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Paul Trudel

Co-Chair, City and School Liaison Committee