

The Franklin City Commission convened in **regular session** at 6:00 p.m., Monday, **May 11, 2009**, in the Simpson County School Board meeting room, 430 S. College Street, Franklin, Kentucky. In the chair presiding was the Honorable Mayor Jim Brown, with the following City Commissioners present: Jamie Powell, Wendell Stewart, Henry Stone and Herbert Williams. Also present were City Manager, Hal W. Toomey; City Attorney, Scott Crabtree; Police Chief, Todd Holder; Police Sergeant, Scott Wade; City Clerk, Kathy Stradtner; and members of the community. F-S High student Zachary Garrison was present to video tape the meeting. A member of the media, Keith Pyles, from Franklin Favorite/WFKN was present.

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order, and Commissioner Jamie Powell offered an opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Williams, to approve the minutes from the April 13, 2009 special called and regular Commission meeting. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

HEAR THE PUBLIC

Mr. James Hall had requested time to address the Commission regarding Police patrols in the Harristown Community, but was not present.

REGULAR BUSINESS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

No business

PUBLIC SERVICES

Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding 2009-2010 Street Resurfacing Program

A request for bids for the FY2009-2010 Street Resurfacing Program was published for two consecutive weeks in the Franklin Favorite and the Daily News. Present for the opening of the bid openings at City Hall at twelve noon on Thursday, April 23, 2009 were City Clerk Kathy Stradtner, Street Superintendent Derick Minnicks and a representative from Scotty's Contracting. City Manager Toomey reviewed this agenda item: the Triple K Construction bid included a statement that the cost of compaction testing was not included in their total bid and the Scotty's Contracting representative stated his company had included the cost of such testing per the bid specifications; City staff did not consider this a significant item. After Superintendent Minnicks later contacted the companies, both firms indicated they would be ready to begin work within two to three weeks of notice.

BID

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>SURFACE ASPHALT</u>	<u>PER UNIT/TOTAL</u>
Scotty's Contracting & Stone	1,150 tons	\$66.00 / \$75,900
Triple K Construction, INC	1,150 tons	\$66.40 / \$76,360

Motion was made by Mayor Brown and seconded by Commissioner Williams to award the contract to Triple K Construction as the lowest and best responsive, responsible bidder and authorize the Mayor to sign any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this motion. During discussion it was noted Triple K has a location in Simpson County and has done excellent work in the past; the difference in the submitted bids was not deemed appreciable. In response to a question regarding the importance of compaction, Mayor Brown explained the feature is not regularly used and City staff did not consider the exception to be significant. Question was called, and voting aye: all. Motion carried.

• **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding FY 2009-2010 Municipal Aid Coop Agreement**

Mayor Brown has received the proposed FY 09-10 Municipal Aid Coop Program Contract; a resolution approving the contract is required. This is a standard agreement with the Commonwealth of Kentucky wherein the City agrees to accept the contract and in exchange the City will receive three annual payments to be used in street related expenditures. **Motion** was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Powell to adopt Resolution # F-2009 authorizing the agreement as discussed and authorize the Mayor to sign. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION # F-2009

County of Simpson

Incorporated Area of Franklin

Resolution adopting and approving the execution of a Municipal Aid Coop Program Contract between the Incorporated Area and the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Transportation Cabinet, Department of Governmental Relations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009, as provided in the Kentucky Revised Statutes and accepting all streets referred to therein as being streets which are a part of the Incorporated Area.

Be it resolved by the Legislative Body of the Incorporated Area that:

The Legislative Body of the Incorporated Area does hereby accept all streets referred to in said Contract as being city streets which are a part of the Incorporated Area; and

The Legislative Body of the Incorporated Area does hereby ratify and adopt all statements, representations, warranties, covenants, and agreements contained in said Contract and does hereby accept said Contract and by such acceptance agrees to all the terms and conditions therein stated; and

The Chief Executive Officer of the said Incorporated Area is hereby authorized and directed to sign said Contract as set forth on behalf of the Legislative Body of the City of Franklin, KY, and the City Clerk of the City of Franklin, KY is hereby authorized and directed to certify thereto.

- **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Request for Street Closure during 1st Annual Harristown Fun Walk**

The Franklin-Simpson Ministerial Alliance will host the 1st Annual Harristown Fun Walk on May 16, 2009; proceeds from the walk will be used to fund educational scholarships for students in the participating Alliance Churches. The City has received a request from the Ministerial Alliance to close certain streets from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on the day of the event. **Motion** was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Stone to close the requested streets of John J Johnson and West Avenues from Jackson Street to W Washington Street from 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 16, 2009. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY

- **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Purchase of Police Station Security Camera System from Drug Fund**

City Manager Toomey reported this request has been withdrawn; subsequent to this meeting Police Department staff has found the funds are available in the regular Department budget.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

No business.

UTILITIES

- **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Equipment for New Waste Water Plant Building**

Mayor Brown explained this agenda item: construction of the new chemical building at the Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) has been completed; the structure will allow delivery of the chemicals closing to the end usage point in the waste water treatment process thereby potentially saving on delivery costs and definitely improving safe delivery of a hazardous product. The original FY09-10 budget had provided for construction of the building and purchase of needed equipment to stock the building, but during the last budget amendment the amount being allowed for purchase of the new equipment was inadvertently removed. A quote has been acquired from Living Waters Company to purchase and install the Chlorine feed system and related equipment needed to relocate the chlorine system to the new building. The equipment costs and installation total \$50,696. As the items are not easily bid out due to the specific and proprietary nature of the equipment, staff is requesting approval of the unbudgeted expenditure. During discussion it was noted the City may ultimately have to secure a loan to finance this purchase, but currently it appears resources are available in the Water & Sewer Fund for short term financing of the purchase. **Motion**

was made by Commissioner Stone and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve expenditure totaling approximately \$50,696 for new equipment at the WWTP as discussed, take the funds from fund reserves, and authorize the Mayor to sign any and all documents necessary to effectuate this motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to enter in to executive session for the purpose of discussions, or hearings, which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual {KRS 61.810(f)}. Ayes: All. Motion carried at 6:25 p.m. Entering executive session were Mayor Brown and the four Commissioners, City Attorney Scott Crabtree, and City Manager Hal W. Toomey.

At 7:30 p.m., **Motion** was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Williams to exit executive session and return to open session. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stone and seconded by Commissioner Williams to employ Elizabeth Wakefield as a part-time Co-op employee at City Hall. Ayes: All. Motion carried. It was noted Ms. Wakefield will only be available to work during the summer before she leaves for college.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS

None

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

City Manager Toomey is requesting a modification to the City Police Department Take-Home Vehicle Policy. Police Corporal and domestic relations officer Vickie Kristiansen lives in Rich Pond, Ky. but is required to be available around the clock to respond to any domestic related cases. The current policy restricts take home vehicles to be taken outside Simpson County, which Rich Pond is. **Motion** was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to grant an exception to the Franklin Police Department Take-Home Vehicle Policy for Police Department Corporal and Domestic Relations Officer Vickie Kristiansen and allow the officer to take a Police Cruiser to her home outside Simpson County. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

City Manager Toomey has received a request from Police Chief Holder and Assistant Chief Whiles to temporary suspend the \$30.00 per month uniform allowance made to Police employees. Police staff would like to continue its

efforts toward achieving consistency in the outfitting of the police force and, toward this end, is requesting the personal allowance be suspended and those funds used for the Department as a whole. **Motion** was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Powell to amend the City of Franklin Personnel Policies to temporarily suspend the \$30 per month uniform allowance for police officers for a period of two years, beginning July 1, 2009 thru June 30, 2011. During discussion Commissioner Powell questioned if the officers were in favor of this plan; Chief Holder affirmed they were and explained the plan was to purchase new and/or additional equipment that would benefit the officers. Question was called, Voting Aye: All. Motion carried.

OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS

Mayor Brown announced the Police Department will be hosting the first Police Memorial Awards at 11:30 a.m., Friday, May 15 at the Boys & Girls Club. This week is *National Police Week* and the local ceremony has been planned to recognize the contributions and sacrifices our local officer's make. Afterwards the Department will be hosting an open house so the public may view the renovations recently completed at the station on Court Street.


Mayor Brown also reported on Renaissance Director, Sonny Monroe, who suffered a heart attack this past weekend and is in the hospital in Nashville, TN. The City sends their best wishes to Mr. Monroe and his family during this stressful time.

The Mayor suffered a heart attack approximately three weeks ago and he would like to thank everyone in the community for their support and prayers during his surgery. The Mayor would like to publically thank our local hospital medical staff for their hard work and dedication.


At a previous meeting the Mayor was hopeful to get permission from the State to close Cedar and Main Streets for the Relay for Life event being held June 12-13, 2009. After many calls from the Mayor, the State has still declined to allow the closings for these state streets of Main Street for the event.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Powell to adjourn the City Commission meeting. Ayes: All. Motion carried at 7:35 p.m.



 Jim Brown, Mayor



 Kathy Stradtner, City Clerk