

**MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION
OF THE
CITY OF FRANKLIN
CITY COMMISSION**

January 25, 2021

**City Hall
117 West Cedar Street
Franklin, Kentucky
(Pursuant to Senate Bill 150)**

The Franklin, Kentucky City Commission met in Regular Session at 12:00 Noon, Monday, January 25, 2021, via live video/audio teleconference originating from the City Hall meeting room located at 117 West Cedar Street, Franklin, Kentucky.

Members attending were as follows:

Mayor Larry Dixon	Present
Commissioner Jamie Powell	Present
Commissioner Herbert Williams	Present
Commissioner Brownie Bennett	Present
Commissioner Wendell Stewart	Present

Others present included City Manager Kenton Powell; City Attorney Scott Crabtree; City Personnel Director/Deputy Clerk Rita Vaughn; City Police Chief Roger Solomon; Public Works Superintendent Chris Klotter; City Clerk Cathy Dillard; and, Community Development Director Tammie Carey.

Mayor Dixon called the meeting to order at 12:00 Noon and Commissioner Herbert Williams offered the opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to approve the minutes as presented of the January 11, 2021, Regular Meeting of the Franklin City Commission.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All. Motion carried unanimously.

RECOGNITIONS

Police Chief Roger Solomon introduced Officer Monta Cherry and City Attorney Scott Crabtree presented the Oath of Office to Officer Cherry. The Commission welcomed Officer Cherry back to the police force.

At this time Mayor Dixon recognized the F-S Human Rights Commission and Dylan Holder for planning and organizing the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration held on Monday, January 18, 2021. He commended them for their efforts to organize and present this event with the COVID-19 restrictions currently in place.

Mayor Dixon also recognized the many volunteers, the Franklin Police Department and Jarred Clayton with the City of Franklin Public Works Department for their assistance and their willingness to make this event a success for the citizens of Franklin.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Community Development Director Tammie Carey asked the Commission to consider approval of the video premiere of the Bicentennial Relay Run. Carey proposed to hold the video viewing on Thursday, February 25, 2021 at 5:30 PM at The Roxy following all CDC COVID-19 guidelines.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Williams to hold the Bicentennial 200 Mile Relay Run video premiere on Thursday, February 25, 2021 at 5:30 PM at The Roxy following all CDC COVID-19 guidelines.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Community Development Director Tammie Carey asked the Commission to ratify the Mayor's signature on an agreement with Bluegrass Cellular to replace a damaged iPad for the Street Department and for data service for the iPad for a 24 month term.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Powell to purchase a replacement iPad for the Street Department and to ratify the Mayor's signature on a 24 month agreement with Bluegrass Cellular for data service for the device.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All. Motion carried unanimously.

City Manager Kenton Powell asked the Commission to consider approval of monthly electric service in the amount of \$293.19 for proposed new street lights on Fritz Winter Drive in the Wilkey Industrial Park. The Franklin-Simpson Industrial Authority Board approved to pay for the purchase and installation of eight (8) COB-LED street lights on aluminum poles contingent on the City of Franklin's agreement to cover the monthly electric service cost.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve the installation of eight (8) COB-LED street lights on aluminum poles on Fritz Winter Drive (a City street), with installation costs to be covered by the Franklin-Simpson Industrial Authority, and for the City to pay the monthly electric service cost of \$293.19 and further authorized the Mayor to sign any and all documents necessary for this project.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All. Motion carried unanimously.

UTILITIES

Public Works Director Chris Klotter asked the Commission to consider approval of an agreement with RJ Consulting Engineering, LLC to provide services for the comprehensive subdivision regulations update.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve an engineering services contract with RJ Consulting Engineering, LLC to proceed with a comprehensive subdivision regulations update at a cost of \$20,500.00 and further authorized the Mayor to sign any and all documents necessary.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Works Director Chris Klotter asked the Commission to consider approval of contracting with Scott & Ritter, Inc. to replace a collapsed sewer line on McGoodwin Avenue and Railroad Street. The total cost for this project was quoted at \$38,125.00.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to approve to contract with Scott & Ritter, Inc. for the emergency repair of collapsed sewer lines on McGoodwin Avenue and Railroad Street in the amount of \$38,125.00 and further authorized the Mayor to sign any and all necessary documents for this project.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES

City Clerk Cathy Dillard provided second summary reading of the following ordinance:

Ordinance No. 2021-001 titled: *An Ordinance Rezoning Approximately 12.14 Acres Located on Kennedy Lane AKA Aspen Drive from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to R-1S (Single Family Residential) by Mitra, LLC*

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-001 and was approved by the following roll call vote:

Mayor Dixon	<u>Yes</u>	Commissioner Bennett	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Powell	<u>Yes</u>	Commissioner Stewart	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Williams	<u>Yes</u>		

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 12:39 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Williams to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of:

LITIGATION – Discussion of proposed or pending litigation {KRS 61.810(1)(c)}

PERSONNEL – Discussions or hearings which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee or member {KRS 61.810(1)(f)}

BUSINESS – Discussions between a public agency a representative of a business entity concerning a specific proposal, where open discussions would jeopardize the siting, retention, expansion, or upgrading of the business {KRS 61.810(1)(g)}

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Entering Executive Session were Mayor Dixon; Commissioners Powell, Bennett, Williams and Stewart; City Manager Kenton Powell; and City Attorney Scott Crabtree and Public Works Director Chris Klotter.

At 1:37 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Williams to exit Executive Session and return to open session.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: All. Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to accept the resignation of Officer Caleb Holloway.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve funding for the Franklin Avenue sewer extension project in the amount of \$184,900.00, to authorize the transfer of funds from the capital sinking fund to the general fund for this project, and further authorize the mayor to sign any documents necessary for this project.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All. Motion carried unanimously.

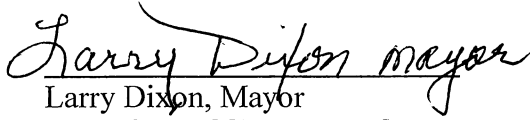
Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded Commissioner Bennett to approve an agreement with Barge Design Solutions, Inc. for engineering services in the amount of \$76,000.00 for a sewer upgrade project in the Highway 31W South/Exit 2 corridor and further authorized the Mayor to sign the engineering services agreement.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All. Motion carried unanimously.

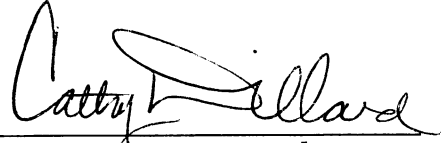
ADJOURNMENT

At 1:44 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to adjourn the regular meeting of the Franklin City Commission.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All. Motion carried unanimously.



Larry Dixon, Mayor
City of Franklin, Kentucky



Cathy Dillard, City Clerk
City of Franklin, Kentucky