The Franklin City Commission met in regular session at 6:00 pm, Monday, January 24th, 2011, in the Simpson County School Board meeting room, 430 S. College Street, Franklin, Kentucky. Member attendance as follows:

Mayor Ronnie Clark Present and in the chair presiding
Commissioner Jamie Powell Present
Commissioner Larry Dixon Present
Commissioner Mason Barnes Present
Commissioner Henry Stone Present

Others present included City Manager, Kenton Powell; Finance Director, Cendy Dodd; City Attorney, Scott Crabtree; Police Chief, Todd Holder; Deputy City Clerk/Personnel Director, Rita Vaughn; meeting videographer, F-S School employee Allie Meador; and Franklin Favorite/WFKN media representative, Keith Pyles. Also present were Ross and Teresa Suber; Michael Cantrell, Jewel Holder, Marie Anderson, Daniel & Guyanne Joiner, Donzella Lee, Wanda & James Tuck, and Adrian Payne, from the F-S Human Rights Council, and George and Marsha Weissinger.

Honorable Mayor Ronnie Clark called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm, and Commissioner Larry Dixon offered an opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Jamie Powell and seconded by Commissioner Mason Barnes, to approve the minutes from the January 10th, 2011 regular Commission meeting. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

HEAR THE PUBLIC

• Ross & Teresa Suber

Ross and Teresa Suber requested to be on the agenda to discuss their property located at 128 North Main Street, known as the former Village Inn building. This property has been in the process of being renovated for several years. The back wall of the building was torn down in March 2009, and plans were to extend the back wall of the two-story structure to the alley behind the building. Construction on the building was halted by an official of the Franklin Electric Plant Board when he noticed that the extended building would be too close to a utility pole. The cost for the Electric Plant Board to move the utility pole is $5,000. The property owners told the City Commission they had engineering plans prepared for the new wall and that a building permit was approved with no mention of the problem with the utility pole. They stated that they did not believe they should be responsible for paying to move the pole because they followed the guidelines they were told were needed for having the back wall construction approved. The City Codes Enforcement Officer began citing the Subers in December 2010 for an unsafe structure due to the condition of the building. Commissioner Mason Barnes offered his assistance in putting them in contact with Simpson County Fiscal Court, who is over the Planning and Zoning office. Ms. Suber stated that once the pole issue is resolved, the building will be structurally sound in three to four weeks. Mayor Clark said the City would not issue any more citations related to the building for 30 days to allow time for the issue to be resolved.
REGULAR BUSINESS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

- Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Appointment to Renaissance Board

Sonny Monroe, Director of F-S Renaissance, called earlier this week requesting the City appoint a City Official or Manager to the F-S Renaissance Board. Sonny felt it important for a representative of the City to be abreast of all activities of the F-S Renaissance so they could be properly communicated to the City Commission. The Board meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month and has not had specific term limits in the past. Motion was made by Mayor Clark and seconded by Commissioner Jamie Powell to appoint Commissioner Larry Dixon to the F-S Renaissance Board. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

- Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Bank Account Authorized Signatures

The City of Franklin has numerous bank accounts at Citizens First Bank; First Security Bank; Franklin Bank & Trust Company; JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A.; Regions Bank; South Central Bank; The Huntington National Bank. Finance Director, Cendy Dodd, recommended the following individuals be named as authorized signatures for all accounts with all of the above listed banks: Mayor Ronnie Clark; City Manager Kenton Powell; Finance Director Cendy Dodd; Community Development Director Tammie Carey. All accounts require two signatures, so it is beneficial to have four authorized signatures in case individual accounts are out of town or on vacation. In addition, the City has the Frances Harris Memorial Fund that is part of the Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund. There are three bank accounts related to this fund. Thomas Moody of 311 West Cedar Street is the trustee and has maintained these accounts for several years. Finance Director Cendy Dodd recommended that Mr. Thomas Moody be named as an authorized signature for the Frances Harris Memorial Fund bank accounts in addition to other above authorized signatures; and that all previously approved individuals should be removed from all bank accounts unless they are specifically named above. Motion was made by Commissioner Larry Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Mason Barnes to name Mayor Ronnie Clark, City Manager Kenton Powell, Finance Director Cendy Dodd, and Community Development Director Tammie Carey as authorized signatures for all accounts with Citizens First Bank; First Security Bank; Franklin Bank & Trust Company; JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A.; Regions Bank; South Central Bank; and the Huntington National Bank; to authorize Mr. Thomas Moody as an authorized signature for the Frances Harris Memorial Fund bank accounts; to remove all previously approved individuals not mentioned above as authorized signatures; and to authorize the Mayor to sign any documents necessary to effectuate this motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

- Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Workers Compensation Insurance Increase

Due to the audit of the City’s actual payroll for fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, Kentucky Employer’s Mutual Insurance (KEMI) has sent a revised payment schedule for the policy period 07/01/2010 – 07/01/2011 of $66,451.74 as compared to their projected amount of $61,620.90. This is a standard practice of providers of worker’s compensation insurance to adjust the premium based on audited payrolls. Finance Director Cendy Dodd has reviewed the calculations and all are in line with the audited numbers. Motion was made by Commissioner Henry Stone and seconded by Commissioner Larry Dixon to authorize the
payment of the revised payment schedule to KEMI for the City’s July 1, 2010 to July 1, 2011 worker’s compensation insurance. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SERVICES
No business

PUBLIC SAFETY
No business

COMMUNITY SERVICES
No business

UTILITIES

Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Purchase of Hydraulic Breaker Attachment

Water Distribution/Wastewater Collections Superintendent, Clif Beecher, has received quotes for new and used Hydraulic Breaker attachments for the Skid Steer. This attachment will help save time and money when having to break through thick pavement or concrete in repairing water and/or sewer mains. The purchase options are as follows:

New Caterpillar Attachment Model H65DS (Energy Class 700 ft lb) $12,456.00
Used Caterpillar Attachment Model H65DS (Energy Class 700 ft lb) 7,211.00
New Bobcat Attachment Model HB980 (Energy Class 500 ft lb) 7,156.00
Used Bobcat Attachment Model HB880 (Energy Class 300 ft lb) 4,200.00

Motion was made by Commissioner Jamie Powell and seconded by Commissioner Mason Barnes to accept staff’s recommendation to purchase the New Bobcat Attachment Model HB980 (Energy Class 500 ft lb) for $7,156.00. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES
No business

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Commissioner Larry Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Jamie Powell 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 employee or member {KRS 61.810 (f)}; discussion of proposed, or pending litigation {KRS 61.810(c)}; and deliberations on Acquisition, or Sale, of real property, where publicity would be likely to affect the value -- KRS 61.810(b). Ayes: All. Motion carried at 6:55 pm. Entering executive session were Mayor Clark and the four Commissioners, City Attorney Scott Crabtree, and City Manager Kenton Powell.
At 7:04 pm those in executive session returned to open meeting, and motion was made by Commissioner Jamie Powell and seconded by Commissioner Mason Barnes to close the executive session and return to open session. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS**

Chris Hart from the Kentucky Energy & Environmental Cabinet sent documents to the City regarding the need for an ordinance to be adopted by March 1, 2011. City Attorney Scott Crabtree said the ordinance is required in order for the City to continue to be eligible for participation in the FEMA programs. Commissioners Jamie Powell and Mason Barnes requested City Attorney Scott Crabtree to proceed with preparing the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance.

Motion was made by Commissioner Henry Stone and seconded by Commissioner Larry Dixon to authorize City Attorney Scott Crabtree and City Manager Kenton Powell to work with the Electric Plant Board to finalize the contract for installation of the fiber optic lines on Electric Plant Board poles, and to authorize the Mayor to sign the contract. The final contract will be brought to the Commission for approval. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

**CITY MANAGER REPORTS**

City Manager Kenton Powell informed the Commission that we need to add newly employed Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent Chris Klotter as an authorized signature for correspondence with the State for day to day operations of the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Motion was made by Commissioner Mason Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Jamie Powell to appoint Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) Superintendent Chris Klotter as an authorized signature for any documents required by the State for the WWTP and authorize the Mayor to sign any documents necessary to effectuate this motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

**OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Jamie Powell and seconded by Commissioner Mason Barnes to reappoint Robert “Bob” Palmer as Emergency Management Director. Ayes: All. Motion carried. This reappointment is required within 30 days of a new Commission taking office.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Jamie Powell and seconded by Commissioner Henry Stone to adjourn the City Commission meeting. Ayes: All. Motion carried at 7:15 pm.

Ronnie Clark, Mayor

Rita Vaughn, Deputy City Clerk