MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION
OF THE
CITY OF FRANKLIN
CITY COMMISSION

March 26, 2018

City Hall
117 West Cedar Street
Franklin, Kentucky

The Franklin, Kentucky City Commission met in Regular Session at 12:00 PM, Monday, March 26, 2018, in the City Hall meeting room located at 117 West Cedar Street, Franklin, Kentucky.

Members attending were as follows:

Mayor Ronnie Clark
Commissioner Mason Barnes
Commissioner Larry Dixon
Commissioner Jamie Powell
Commissioner Wendell Stewart

Present

Others present included City Manager Kenton Powell; City Attorney Scott Crabtree; City Personnel Director/Deputy Clerk, Rita Vaughn; City Finance Director, Shaunna Cornwell; City Police Chief, Roger Solomon; City Clerk, Cathy Dillard; F-S Human Rights Commission Director, Donzella Lee; and Franklin Favorite/WFKN media representative, Keith Pyles; Gary Broady, Chairman of the F-S Industrial Authority; and, Dennis Griffin, Executive Director of the F-S Industrial Authority.

Mayor Clark called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM, and Wilbur Powell of the Simpson Baptist Association offered an opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve the minutes as presented of the March 12, 2018, regular meeting of the Franklin City Commission. Voting aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

RECOGNITIONS

Mayor Clark introduced Gary Broady, Chairman of the F-S Industrial Authority, and asked him to provide the Commission with a brief recap of industrial developments and expansions in the past few years. Mr. Broady indicated that since 2011 over 1,500 jobs were added and over $400 million was spent in our area due to new and/or expanding industry. Mr. Broady
introduced Dennis Griffin, Executive Director of the F-S Industrial Authority and Mr. Griffin indicated that currently the primary focus is workforce development and providing housing options for an increased workforce. Mr. Griffin said housing and workforce go hand-in-hand with economic development. Mr. Griffin and Mr. Broady thanked the Commission for their support for local economic development.

City Manager Kenton Powell recognized Police Chief Roger Solomon on his recent graduation from the Criminal Justice Executive Development program. Chief Solomon was the first ever member from the Franklin Police Department to attend this training. Solomon was chosen by his classmates to give the graduation speech.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Dick Timmerman, the City’s designee to the BRADD Aging Council Board, asked to provide an update on the Council’s most recent meeting. Mr. Timmerman indicated Simpson County’s population of people 60 years and over is approximately 3,505. This segment of the population receives approximately $300,000 in assistance from BRADD administered programs such as hot and frozen meal delivery services.

Mr. Timmerman said Franklin’s Senior Center located at the Housing Authority is one of the most active centers in the BRADD region. Mr. Timmerman is an active volunteer member of our community and serves with great enthusiasm, he truly has a servant’s heart.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

City Manager Kenton Powell provided the Commission with a budget project plan outlining each step which included department head meetings, work sessions with the Commission and projected first and second reading of the ordinance to adopt the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 budget.

The first budget work session with the Commission will take place on Monday, May 14, 2018 at 9:00 AM and the second work session is scheduled for Monday, May 21, 2018 at 9:00 AM. All Commission meetings and the budget work sessions are open meetings and the public is welcome and encouraged to attend.

No action was taken on this matter.

City Attorney Scott Crabtree provided an update regarding pension reform legislation. As of this meeting date, the Kentucky General Assembly has not taken action regarding pension reform. Mayor Clark indicated that without the phase-in option, the City’s increased contribution of $375,000 to $500,000 for twelve (12) years could not be sustained based on current revenues.

No action was taken on this matter.
City Manager Kenton Powell asked the Commission to consider extending Carter Munday’s independent contractor contract until June 30, 2018. This extension will allow Mr. Munday the opportunity to research and recommend fee adjustments for the Franklin-Simpson Planning & Zoning Commission and to assist in researching and recommending best practices for building permits, re-inspections and documentation processes.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to extend Carter Munday’s independent contractor contract until June 30, 2018.
Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES

City Clerk Cathy Dillard presented second reading of Ordinance No. 2018-002 entitled: *Ordinance of the City of Franklin, Kentucky Amending the Sewer Use Ordinance*

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to approve Ordinance No. 2018-002 and unanimously approved by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: Mayor Clark _Aye_ Commissioner Powell _Aye_ Commissioner Dixon _Aye_ Commissioner Barnes _Aye_ Commissioner Stewart _Aye_

City Clerk Cathy Dillard presented second reading of Ordinance No. 2018-003 entitled: *An Ordinance Amending a Prior Ordinance Setting Forth the Dates and Times of Regularly Scheduled Joint Meetings of the Franklin City Commission and Simpson Fiscal Court*

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to approve Ordinance No. 2018-003 and unanimously approved by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: Mayor Clark _Aye_ Commissioner Powell _Aye_ Commissioner Dixon _Aye_ Commissioner Barnes _Aye_ Commissioner Stewart _Aye_

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve Ordinance No. 2018-004 and unanimously approved by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote:  
Mayor Clark  
Commissioner Powell  
Commissioner Dixon  
Commissioner Barnes  
Commissioner Stewart  
Aye

At this time Mayor Clark recognized Police Chief Roger Solomon regarding his request to purchase a new cruiser for the Police Department. Chief Solomon indicated this purchase was approved in the FY 2017-18 budget. State bid pricing was submitted by Hunt Ford-Chrysler, Inc. for a 2018 Dodge Charger with equipment in the amount of $31,215.59.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to authorize the purchase of a 2018 Dodge Charger with equipment in the amount of $31,215.59 from Hunt-Ford Chrysler, Inc., and further authorized the Mayor to sign any and all document necessary for this purchase. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.


No action is taken on first reading of an ordinance.

City Clerk Cathy Dillard presented first reading of Ordinance No. 2018-006 entitled: *Ordinance of the City of Franklin, Kentucky Establishing Property Assessment and Reassessment Moratoriums.*

No action is taken on first reading of an ordinance.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 12:52 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Powell to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of: (1) litigation - proposed, or pending litigation {KRS 61.810(1)(c)}; and, (2) business - to discuss business 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: All. Motion carried unanimously.
Entering Executive Session were Mayor Clark; Commissioners Powell, Barnes, Dixon and Stewart; City Manager Kenton Powell; City Attorney Scott Crabtree; and, Dennis Griffin.

Dennis Griffin exited Executive Session at 1:15 PM.

At 1:34 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to exit Executive Session and return to open session. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 1:35 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to adjourn the regular meeting of the Franklin City Commission. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Ronnie Clark, Mayor  
City of Franklin, Kentucky

Cathy Dillard, City Clerk  
City of Franklin, Kentucky