

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

March 27, 2017

**Blewett-Bradley Meeting Room
309 North High Street
Franklin, Kentucky**

The Franklin, Kentucky City Commission met in Regular Session at 12:00 PM, Monday, **March 27, 2017**, in the Blewett-Bradley meeting room located at 309 North High Street, Franklin, Kentucky.

Members attending were as follows:

Mayor Ronnie Clark	Present
Commissioner Mason Barnes	Present
Commissioner Larry Dixon	Present
Commissioner Jamie Powell	Present
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 Public Works Director, Chris Klotter; City Clerk, Cathy Dillard; F-S Human Rights Commission member, Donzella Lee; and Franklin Favorite/WFKN media representatives, Megan Purazrang and Kristie Phelps. Over 70 members of the public were also in attendance.

Honorable Mayor Ronnie Clark called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM, and Donzella Lee 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 February 13, 2017, regularly scheduled City Commission meeting and February 13, 2017, special called City Commission meeting. Voting aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

RECOGNITIONS

State Representative Wilson Stone presented Water Treatment Plant Superintendent Jerry Farmer with a Citation of Recognition from the State House of Representatives for earning a bronze medal at the annual Great American Water Taste Test competition held in Washington, D.C. on February 8, 2017. Representative Stone noted that the bronze medal is the highest Kentucky has placed in this competition since 2009.

HEAR THE PUBLIC

Mike Harris, Kelly Bush, Wanda Barrett and Steve Thurmond registered with the City Clerk to speak to the Commission regarding the proposed aquatic and community center. Other members of the public were recognized by Mayor Clark and allowed to speak at the meeting.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

On behalf of Mayor Clark, City Manager Kenton Powell presented a discussion to the Commission regarding the probability of conducting a professional survey regarding the proposed aquatic and community center. After much discussion and comments from each Commissioner, the Commission approved pursuing a survey.

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Powell to hire a professional surveying firm to conduct a comprehensive questionnaire concerning the proposed aquatic center. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

City Manager Kenton Powell presented a proposed budget work session schedule. He asked the Commission to consider two special called meetings as budget work sessions.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to approve two Special Called meetings as budget work sessions on (1) Monday, May 8, 2017 from 9:00 AM until 11:30 AM, and (2) Monday, May 22, 2017 from 9:00 AM until 12:00 Noon. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

City Manager Kenton Powell presented a proposed surplus property list to the Commissioner for approval and authorization to advertise and proceed with the disposal of the property.

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to approve as presented the surplus property list and further authorized the advertising and disposal of this property. Voting aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC SERVICES

No Scheduled Business

PUBLIC SAFETY

The Commission was provided by electronic transmission the proposed revisions to the Franklin Police Department Policies and Procedures Manual. Because the electronic file was so large and unable to be opened by the Mayor or Commissioner, Mayor Clark asked that this item be deferred for action at this time. The Commission asked the Clerk to provide them with hard copies of the manual revisions for their review and consideration at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

UTILITIES

Water Treatment Plant Superintendent Jerry Farmer presented two bids for the scheduled two year maintenance for wastewater sludge removal from the lagoon. After review of the two bids submitted, it was recommended that the Commission award the contract to SWS Environmental Services.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to award the bid to the lowest and best responsive, responsible bidder SWS Environmental Services in the amount of \$22,787.00 and further authorize the Mayor to sign any and all necessary documents for the contract. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES

City Clerk Cathy Dillard presented first reading of Ordinance No. 2017-006 entitled *An Ordinance Of The City Of Franklin, Kentucky Creating The City Of Franklin Tourism And Convention Commission And Establishing The Framework For The Commission; And Further Creating A City Transient Room Tax; And Further Creating A Restaurant Tax; And Further Providing That All Of The Taxes Collected Hereby Be Used To Fund The Tourism And Convention Commission and/or The Aquatic Center and/or to Promote Tourism.*

Commission action is not required on first reading of an ordinance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 1:30 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of proposed, or pending litigation {KRS 61.810(c)}, and discussions, or hearings, which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual {KRS 61.810(f)}, and 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(g)}. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Entering Executive Session were Mayor Clark; Commissioners Powell, Barnes, Dixon and Stewart; City Manager Kenton Powell; and City Attorney Scott Crabtree; Franklin-Simpson Industrial Authority Director Dennis Griffin; and, Ashwani Sarvaria.

At 1:50 PM Dennis Griffin exited Executive Session. Finance Director Shaunna Cornwell and Public Works Director Chris Klotter entered Executive Session at this time.

At 2:10 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to exit Executive Session and return to open session. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS

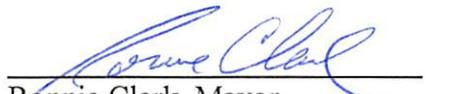
Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to authorize the Mayor to sign the Notice to Proceed on Sunset Circle, Consent Agreement, and

any and all other documents regarding installing the new sewer lines and/or involving the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

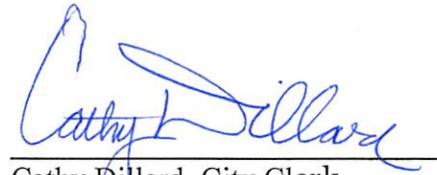
Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to authorize the Public Works Director Chris Klotter hire a temporary part-time employee for the Water Distribution Department. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

At 2:15 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Dixon 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