

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

July 13, 2020

**City Hall
117 West Cedar Street
Franklin, Kentucky**

The Franklin, Kentucky City Commission met in Regular Session at 12:00 Noon, Monday, **July 13, 2020**, in 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; and, City Clerk, Cathy Dillard.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve the minutes as presented of the June 22, 2020, regular meeting of the Franklin City Commission.

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

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

City Attorney Scott Crabtree provided the Commission with a copy of Governor Beshear's Executive Order issued on Thursday, July 9, 2020, requiring face covering or face masks which cover their mouth and nose while in public. As clarification Crabtree stated this is not a City mandate, but a directive from the Governor's office.

City Manager Kenton Powell asked the Commission to consider approval of a proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Franklin, County of Simpson and Simpson County Board of Education for a school resource officer pursuant to KRS 158.4414. This MOU provides, at the Schools request, the Simpson County Fiscal Court, by and through the Simpson County Sheriff's office, to provide a sworn and certified officer to serve as a school resource officer during the term of the agreement.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Franklin, County of Simpson and Simpson County Board of Education for a school resource officer and further authorized the Mayor to sign the MOU on behalf of the City.

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

City Manager Kenton Powell asked the Commission to consider approval of proposed park rules and placement of signage for the Boat Ramp Park located at Drakes Creek on Highway 73. The City frequently receives complaints concerning litter, overnight parking and/or camping, fish entrails left in pavilions, trash containers and on the ground.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Williams to adopt the proposed Park Rules for the Boat Ramp Park and further approved placing signage with the rules at the park to encourage compliance.

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

City Manager Kenton Powell asked the Commission to consider a street closing request from Kristin Hickman of Southern Kentucky Dance Center. She asked for approval to close North College Street from West Cedar Street to West Kentucky Street on Friday, August 7, 2020, from 10:00 am until 10:00 pm to hold the Dance Center's annual recital.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to close North College Street from West Cedar Street to West Kentucky Street on Friday, August 7, 2020, from 10:00 am until 10:00 pm to allow Southern Kentucky Dance Center to hold their annual dance recital.

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

City Manager Kenton Powell asked to Commission to consider re-appointing Wayne Goodrum to the Franklin-Simpson Industrial Authority Board for another four year term. Goodrum currently serves as the Authority's Secretary/Treasurer.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to re-appoint Wayne Goodrum to the Franklin-Simpson Industrial Authority Board for a four (4) year term to expire on July 31, 2024.

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

PUBLIC SAFETY

City Attorney Scott Crabtree asked the Commission to approve updates to the Franklin Police Department Policies and Procedures Manual Section 2, Chapter 7 - Pursuit. These revisions are required for the Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police continued accreditation.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve updates to the Franklin Police Department Policies and Procedures Manual Section 2, Chapter 7 – Pursuit.

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

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Kenton Powell asked the Commission if they were available for a special called joint City/County meeting on Tuesday, July 21, 2020, at 12:00 Noon. Judge Executive Barnes indicated the meeting could be held in the Fiscal Court meeting room of the Courthouse.

The Commission indicated they were available to meet at that time.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

City Attorney Scott Crabtree asked the Commission to sponsor an ordinance to close Barrett Lane. Stark Truss purchased the property adjacent to Barrett Lane and asked the City to close the dead end street which ends at the railroad.

Commissioner Powell and Commissioner Stewart asked to sponsor the ordinance to close Barrett Lane.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 12:20 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Williams to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of: (1) Litigation – Discussion of proposed or pending litigation {KRS 61.810(1)(c)}; and, (2) Personnel – Discussions or hearings which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee or member {KRS 61.810(1)(f)}.

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

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

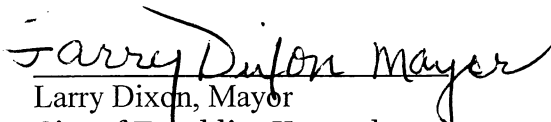
At 12:50 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to exit Executive Session and return to open session.

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


ADJOURNMENT

At 12:51 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Williams to adjourn the regular meeting of the Franklin City Commission.

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



Larry Dixon, Mayor
City of Franklin, Kentucky



Cathy Dillard, City Clerk
City of Franklin, Kentucky