

The Franklin City Commission convened in **regular session** at 6:00 pm, Monday, July 25, 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 Mason Barnes	Present
Commissioner Larry Dixon	Present
Commissioner Jamie Powell	Present
Commissioner Henry Stone	Present

Others present included City Manager, Kenton Powell; City Attorney, Scott Crabtree; Finance Director, Cendy Dodd; Police Chief, Todd Holder; City Clerk, Kathy Stradtner; Simpson County Tourism Executive Director, Dan Ware; Attorney, Tim Crocker; F-S Human Rights Representative, Donzella Lee. Also present were F-S school employee Bobbie Uhls to videotape the meeting; and Franklin Favorite/WFKN media representative; Keith Pyles.

Honorable Mayor Ronnie Clark called the meeting to order at 6:09 pm, and Commissioner Henry Stone offered an opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Commissioner Powell and second by Commissioner Dixon to approve the minutes from the July 11, 2011 regular Commission meeting. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

HEAR THE PUBLIC

None

REGULAR BUSINESS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

- **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Safe Routes to School Grant**

In a memo included in this meeting's agenda packet, Community Development Director Tammie Carey gave the following updated: *The Safe Routes to School project is complete. I am finalizing the last reimbursement request and close out documentation for the grant. I have asked the state for an amendment to the budget so that all eligible expenses associated with the grant will be paid through grant funds. I would like to ask the commission to approve the amendment to the agreement between the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and the City for the Healthy Lifestyles Education and Sidewalk Improvement Project.* Following discussion, **motion** made by Commissioner Barnes and second by Commissioner Stone to approve and adopt Resolution I-2011. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION I-2011
AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN
KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET AND CITY OF FRANKLIN
HEALTHY LIFESTYLES EDUCATION AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
PO2-628-0800015407
\$175,000.00

WHEREAS, the SAFETEA-LU Federal Reimbursement Agreement is in the amount of \$175,000 for the Safe Routes to School Healthy Lifestyles Education and Sidewalk Improvement Project, and, WHEREAS, the City of Franklin, does hereby authorize Mayor Ronnie Clark to sign the attached mentioned Agreement, as well as any other necessary documents relating to the project.

PUBLIC SERVICES

No business

PUBLIC SAFETY

- **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Resolution Approving Recommendation of the 911 Board to Create a "911 Consolidation Transition Team"**

At the July 6, 2011 joint City/County meeting, the Commission authorized the Mayor to sign any documents necessary to go forward with termination of the 911 Dispatch interlocal agreements with Simpson County, and additionally Franklin-Simpson dispatch operations be assumed by Kentucky State Police. In this meetings' packet, City Attorney Crabtree presented a resolution approving the creation of the 911 Consolidation Transition Team. Following discussion, motion made by Commissioner Powell and second by Commissioner Dixon to adopt Resolution J-2011 and approve the Mayor's signature. Ayes: all. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. J-2011

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, KENTUCKY
APPROVING RECOMMENDATION OF THE 911 BOARD TO CREAT A "911
CONSOLIDATION TRANSITION TEAM"**

WHEREAS, the 911 Advisory Board has recommended to the City Commission and Fiscal Court that a transition team be appointed and is necessary to review and manage the operations of the 911 dispatch facility up through and including the date that the dispatch duties are transferred to the Kentucky State Police Post 3; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms of the Interlocal Agreement between the City and County, any changes to said Agreement must be made in writing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of the City of Franklin, Kentucky as follows:

- 1. The preamble to this Resolution is hereby approved and adopted as if set forth fully herein.*
- 2. The City Commission approves the recommendation of the 911 Advisory Board and agrees to establish a "911 Consolidation Transition Team" to consist of the following members: Police Chief Todd Holder – Team Leader; Christy Basham – KSP Communications Supervisor; Tim Gilliam – Communications Vendor; Peggy Cox – EMS Director; and Fire Chief Mark Halcomb.*
- 3. The Transition Team will assume the day-to-day operations of the dispatch center including, but not limited to planning, directing and controlling the operations and hiring, firing, disciplining, and scheduling duties of employees. It is understood and agreed that the dispatch center will remain under the County's control and subject to the County's rules, ordinances and regulations until the date KSP assumes dispatching duties.*
- 4. The Mayor is authorized and directed to sign and/or his signature is ratified on any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.*

- **Discussion Regarding Dog Ordinance**

As discussed at previous meetings, City Attorney Crabtree included in this meetings' packet a draft of an ordinance regarding animals in the City. Following discussion of the draft and suggestions noted, the City Attorney stated he would incorporate changes and present the revision at the next regular meeting.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

- **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Street Closure for Festival on the Square, Antique Car Show and Cruise-in**

On behalf of the Chamber of Commerce, Steve Thurmond has requested permission to close the streets listed below for the annual Festival on the Square, Antique Car Show and Cruise-in on Friday, September 16 and Saturday, September 17, 2011

Friday, September 16th 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm
College Str: From Cedar to Washington
Kentucky Ave: From Main to College
Cedar Street: From College to Main

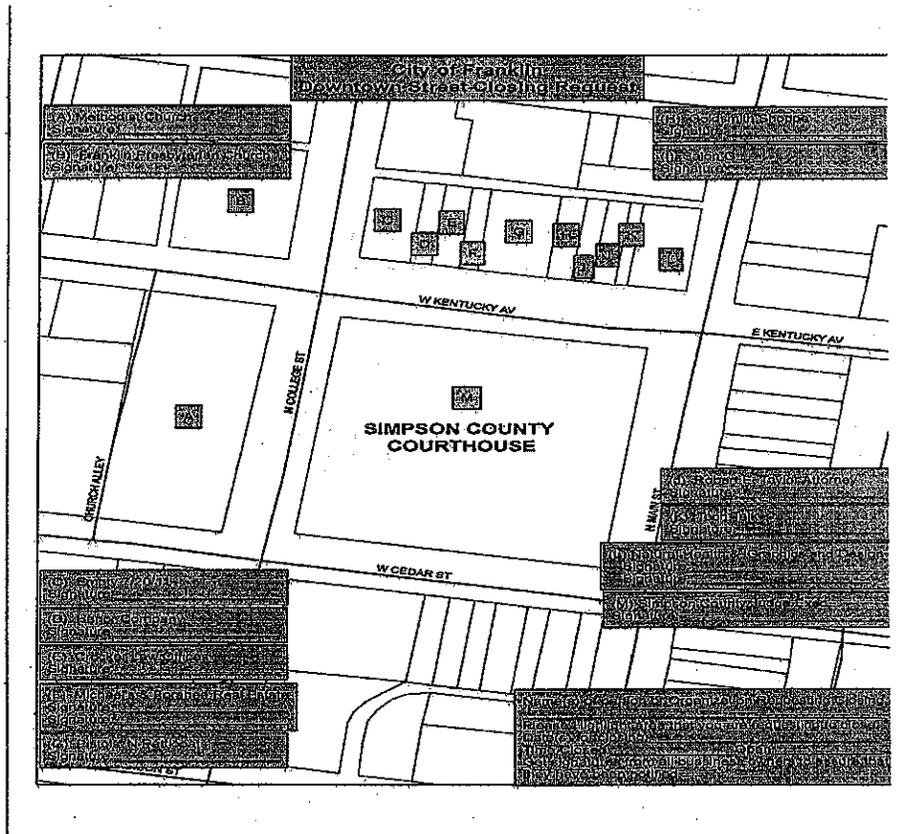
Saturday, September 17th 5:00 am to 5:00 pm
College Str: Rear Corner Regions Bldg to Washington
Kentucky Ave: From Court Street to High Street
Cedar Street: From Main Street to High Street
Main Street: From Cedar Street to Washington

Mr. Thurmond has contacted the State and obtained the necessary permits to close the State sections of Main and Cedar Streets. In addition, the State will provide message boards a week prior to the event giving notice of the temporary closings of the state highways. The message boards will be located on the north and south ends of town at the Highway 1008 junctions. **Motion** made by Commissioner Barnes and second by Commissioner Dixon to approve the street closings requested for the September 16-17 Antique Car Show and Festival on the Square. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

- **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Street Closure Procedure**

City Manager Powell addressed this agenda item: At present City Hall receives, and submits to the Commission for approval, requests for closure of City streets around the square during special events. The Commission is always happy to comply with the request as long as the affected business owners are aware of the event. More and more City Hall is receiving such requests, and occasionally business owners were not contacted prior to the City receiving the request. In such situations, City personnel make calls to all affected businesses verifying there is no conflict. This is time consuming for City staff, and City Manager Powell feels each individual event coordinator should be responsible for this activity. With this in mind, the City Manager has developed an example of the type of form the Commission might consider implementing; each requester would complete the form, with the involved streets marked and proof of notification of businesses indicated by their signature, before submitting to the City Manager's office. The form would be included in the Commission meeting packet when approval requested. There followed discussion indicating that such a procedure is needed and making suggestions for implementation. **Motion** made by Commissioner Stone and second by Commissioner Powell to accept the City Manager's recommendation and implement temporary street closing procedures. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

(Following is sample of form to incorporate in procedures)



- **Discussion Regarding Neighborhood Walk**

The following article ran in the July 21, 2011 issue of the Franklin Favorite regarding the Neighborhood Walk planned tonight

The Franklin City Commission would like to invite residents and community members to their first Neighborhood Walk. The walk will take place following the next City Commission meeting on Monday, July 25th. It is expected to begin at approximately 7:15 pm.

The Mayor, Commissioners, City Manager and some City employees will meet at Lincoln Park and walk through areas of Harristown. City Manager Kenton Powell said, "The purpose of the walk is to meet the people we work for and greet our neighbors. Instead of us always asking for them to come to us with problems, concerns, or compliments we are going to them". Powell added, "It's a great way for us to see first-hand what is going on in an area and what the needs are."

The Walk will begin under the pavilion at Lincoln Park with introductions of city Officials and City Department heads. Police Chief Todd Holder will introduce members of the Franklin Police Explorer Program. Holder will discuss the program that is attached to the Boy Scouts of America Chapter 1820. Holder said, "The purpose of the Explorer Program is to give young people an alternative organization to be a part of. Not everyone wants to play sports or be a part of a club. This organization is a way to introduce young people to the profession of law enforcement." Holder will also introduce School Resource Officer Chris Jackson and the newest member of the Franklin Police, Officer Joshua Toomey.

Residents of the Harristown community are encouraged to meet city officials along the route that will travel from Lincoln Park south on John J Johnson Street, turn

west on Walker Avenue to West Street. The Walk will travel south on West until turning east on Jefferson Street. Walkers will stop at the sight of the Finn Building which was recently removed. From there the Walk will continue on Jefferson to Bell Street then west on Walker back to John J Johnson.

The next Neighborhood Walk will be scheduled in late August and will be centered around the Rolling Road Drive and Bennington Place area. The City of Franklin plans to schedule one a moth during the summer and early fall months. Meeting locations for the Walks will vary throughout the city. Banners and signs will be posted at the meeting location prior to the date of the Walk.

In case of extreme heat or other inclement weather, the Walk will be rescheduled. For more information contact the Office of the City Manager at 586-4497.

UTILITIES

- **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Purchase of GIS software**

Per discussions during the July 11, 2011 Commission meeting, request has been received from Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) Superintendant Chris Klotter for approval to purchase a utility specific GIS software system. With smoke testing of the waste water system to begin shortly, this software will assist in tracking results and relocating problem areas, as well as give us the ability to break the collection system into drainage basins. In a memo to the Commission, Superintendant Klotter stated the software investigated is also extremely versatile and be utilized in countless ways. The total cost for the software is \$5,650. **Motion** made by Commissioner Powell and second by Commissioner Dixon to approve the expenditure of \$5,650 for purchase of utility specific GIS software as discussed. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

- **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Sewer Use Ordinance**

Presentation made by WWTP Superintendant Chris Klotter at the July 11, 2011 Commission meeting included information regarding the cause and effect of Inflow & Infiltration upon the City's sewer system and how the smoke testing will help identify areas of concern, including basement sump pumps, and foundation and roof drains connected directly to the Sanitary Sewer system. The present Sewer Use Ordinance clearly states these type installations are unacceptable, but does not state any terms or conditions to correct the condition upon notification from the City. City staff feels if is necessary to have language added for residents and businesses that are in direct violation of the Sewer Use Ordinance. Following discussion, Commissioners Powell and Dixon sponsored preparation by the City Attorney of an amendment to the Sewer Use Ordinance, along with recommendations by City Manager Powell and WWTP Superintendant Klotter,

ORDINANCES

- **Second Reading of an Ordinance Rezoning 4.62 Acres From B-4 (Highway Business District) to I-1 (Light Industrial) at 1401 Nashville Road**

City Clerk Kathy Stradtner gave second reading to ordinance rezoning a 4.62 acre of land at 1401 Nashville Road from B-4 (Highway Business District) to I-1 (Light Industrial) as requested by Shoppes at Franklin, LLC. **Motion** made by Commissioner Barnes and second by Commissioner Powell to adopt Ordinance # 920.4-07-2011 rezoning 1401 Nashville Road Property. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Mason Barnes, Yes; Commissioner Larry Dixon, Yes; Commissioner Jamie Powell, Yes; Commissioner Henry Stone, Yes; Mayor Ronnie Clark, Yes. Motion carried and Ordinance adopted unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Commissioner Barnes and second by Commissioner Powell to enter in to executive session for the purpose of deliberations on acquisition, or sale, of real property where publicity would be likely to affect the value {KRS 61.810(b)}, and discussion of proposed, or pending litigation {KRS 61.810(c)}. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously at 6:40 pm. Entering executive session were Mayor Clark and the four Commissioners, City Attorney Crabtree, City Manager Powell, Simpson County Tourism Executive Director, Dan Ware, and Attorney Tim Crocker.

At 7:02 pm, Dan Ware exited executive session and meeting.

At 7:08 pm, those in executive session returned to open meeting, and motion made by Commissioner Dixon and second by Commissioner Barnes to close the executive session and return to open session. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS

None

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

City Manager Powell reported on a Drinking Water Training event scheduled for Wednesday, July 27, 2011 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Franklin Water Plant. 1350 E Cedar Street. The sessions will include area water system operators and representative from the Kentucky Division of Water. The local plant is hosting the event, and members of the Board of Commission invited to drop by.

OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Commissioner Powell and second by Commissioner Barnes to adjourn the City Commission meeting. Ayes: All. Motion carried at 7:10 pm.



Ronnie Clark, Mayor



Kathy Stradtner, City Clerk
