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

August 26, 2019

City Hall 117 West Cedar Street Franklin, Kentucky

The Franklin, Kentucky City Commission met in Regular Session at 12:00 Noon, Monday, August 26, 2019, 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 Finance Director, Shaunna Cornwell; City Police Chief, Roger Solomon; Community Development Director, Tammie Carey; City Clerk, Cathy Dillard; Franklin Favorite/WFKN media representative, Keith Pyles; City Code Enforcement Officer Kevin Allen; Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Steve Thurmond; Lisa Deavers, Franklin-Simpson Bicentennial Committee; and Eric Walker from the Franklin Community Church.

Mayor Dixon called the meeting to order at 12:00 Noon and Eric Walker from the Franklin Community Church offered the opening prayer.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the minutes as presented of the July 22, 2019, special called meeting of the Franklin City Commission

Voting aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

# RECOGNITION

Steve Thurmond, F-S Chamber of Commerce Executive Director, recognized and thanked City of Franklin Public Works employees, officers from the Franklin Police Department and other City of Franklin employees who assisted with the Garden Spot. The week leading up to race day was busy and Thurmond said Darrell Mallory and Steve Akin were willing and ready to assist with anything he needed.

## **COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Steve Thurmond, Executive Director of the F-S Chamber of Commerce, submitted a request for City street closures for The Festival on the Square/Car Show/Cruise In events scheduled for Thursday, September 19, 2019, and Saturday, September 21, 2019.

<u>Thursday, September 19, 2019 (Cruise In Event) – Closing from 5:00 PM - 9:30 PM</u> West Kentucky Avenue from Main Street west to College Street College Street from Washington Street to Cedar Street

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>September 21, 2019 (Festival/Car Show) – All Closing from 5:00 AM - 5:00 PM</u> West Kentucky Avenue from Court Street to High Street

College Street from West Washington to the back corner of City Hall (Regions Bank access remaining open)

Cedar Street from High Street to Main Street

Main Street from intersection of Madison & Main to the intersection of Main & Washington

Motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to authorize the above-referenced City street closures for Thursday, September 19, 2019, and Saturday, September 21, 2019, for the Cruise In, Festival on the Square and Car Show events.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Tom Otto, Chairman of Simpson County Relay for Life, submitted a request to close College Street from West Cedar Street to West Kentucky Avenue (in front of Methodist Church) on Saturday, September 14, 2019, from 4:00 PM to 10:00 PM for the Relay for Life event.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to approve the request to close College Street from West Cedar Street to West Kentucky Avenue from 4:00 PM until 10:00 PM on Saturday, September 14, 2019, for the Simpson County Relay for Life event.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Lisa Deavers, Event Coordinator for the Bicentennial Committee, provided a brief power point presentation and discussion regarding a proposed historic lantern walk to take place at the Greenlawn Cemetery.

The lantern walk will be on Saturday, October 26, 2019, from 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM and horse and wagon transportation will be provided. The lantern walk will provide historical narratives by local volunteer actors portraying Franklin and Simpson County residents buried at Greenlawn Cemetery. Ann Evans provided an sample of the type of historical presentation scheduled to take place.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve a historical lantern walk at the Greenlawn Cemetery on Saturday, October 26, 2019, from 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

# **GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

City Manager Kenton Powell asked the Commission to consider the appointment of Dawn Spencer to the Board of Directors of Franklin Electric Plant Board. Mickey Lewis has served on this Board the term limit of two consecutive four year terms, a total of eight years. The Commission thanked him for his service to the community and FEPB.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to approve the appointment of Dawn Spencer to the Board of Directors of the Franklin Electric Plant Board for a four (4) year term to expire on September 30, 2023.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

City Attorney Scott Crabtree asked the Commission to review the proposed updated parking ordinance prior to first reading scheduled for later in this meeting. Crabtree pointed out that downtown residents will have annual permits allowing them to park longer than the 24 hour limit indicated in the revised ordinance. In addition, updates were necessary to allow enforcement efforts for violators.

No action was taken on this matter.

City Manager Kenton Powell provided the Commission with a calendar of upcoming meetings and events for the August and September.

No action was taken on this matter.

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

City Attorney Scott Crabtree asked the Commission to approve two new and four revisions to the Policies and Procedures Manual as follows:

- 1. Section 1, Chapter 22 Awards and Medals
- 2. Section 2, Chapter 37 Use of Intranasal Naloxone

- 3. Section 2, Chapter 40 Biased-Based Policing (new policy)
- 4. Section 2, Chapter 41 Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) (new policy)
- 5. Section 3, Chapter 9 Accident Investigation
- 6. Section 6, Chapter 4 Dealing with Persons of Diminished Capacity

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve two new policies and four revisions to the Franklin Police Department Policies and Procedures Manual.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

City Finance Director Shaunna Cornwell asked the Commission to approve the proposed Billing Services Agreement with Simpson County Fiscal Court for the collection and remittance of the 911 fees to be assessed and collected in the City of Franklin's water service territory. In addition, Cornwell provided a copy of the letter from County Judge Executive Barnes that is being provided to City of Franklin Water customers regarding the collection of this fee.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve the Billing Services Agreement between the City of Franklin and Simpson County Fiscal Court and further authorized the Mayor to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

# **ORDINANCES**

City Clerk Cathy Dillard provided second summary reading of Ordinance No. 2019-018 titled: An Ordinance Adopting Amended Zoning Regulations of the City of Franklin and Simpson County, Kentucky in Article 9, Section 9.7.7 through 9.7.12 as Recommended by the Franklin-Simpson Planning and Zoning Commission

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve Ordinance No. 2019-018 and was approved by the following roll call vote:

Mayor Dixon	_Yes_	Commissioner Bennett	Yes
Commissioner Powell	<u>Yes</u>	Commissioner Stewart	Yes_
Commissioner Williams	<u>Yes</u>		

City Clerk Cathy Dillard provided first summary reading of Ordinance No. 2019-020 titled: Ordinance Deleting and Restating Chapter 72 - Parking Regulations and Revising Chapter 75 – Parking Schedules of the City of Franklin Code of Ordinances

No action was taken on first reading of the ordinance.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 12:34 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Powell to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of:

- (1) LITIGATION Discussion of proposed or pending litigation {KRS 61.810(1)(c)}
- (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: All. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Chief Solomon exited Executive Session at 12:38 PM.

At 12:45 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to exit Executive Session and return to open session.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

# **OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to hire Jacoby Sharklett as an officer for the Franklin Police Department pending successful approval of all pre-employment testing and to further authorize the Mayor to sign any and all documents necessary for this hire.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Stewart offered condolences to the family of Alan Bigbee. Mr. Bigbee served a term on the City Council in 1972. Stewart also offered condolences to the family of John Rash who served two terms on the City Council beginning in 1988.

Mayor Dixon and Commissioner Powell wished everyone a safe and happy Labor Day weekend.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 12:47 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.

Larry Dixon, Mayor

City of Franklin, Kentucky

Cathy Dillard, City Clerk

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