MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION
OF THE
CITY OF FRANKLIN
CITY COMMISSION

October 23, 2017

City Hall
117 West Cedar Street
Franklin, Kentucky

The Franklin, Kentucky City Commission met in Regular Session at 12:00 PM, Monday, October 23, 2017, in the City Hall meeting room located at 117 West Cedar 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; Kelly Mayfield of the Franklin Police Department; Public Works Superintendent Chris Klotter; City Clerk, Cathy Dillard; F-S Human Rights Commission member, Donzella Lee; and Franklin Favorite/WFKN media representative, Keith Pyles.

Mayor Clark called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM and offered an opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to approve the minutes as presented of the October 9, 2017, regular meeting of the Franklin City Commission. Voting aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Franklin-Simpson Renaissance Director Amy Ellis requested the Commission authorize downtown street closures for the BooFest scheduled for Saturday, October 28, 2017.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to close North College Street from West Cedar Street and West Kentucky Avenue from North Main Street to North High Street from 2:00 PM until 10:00 PM on Saturday, October 28, 2017, for Boo Fest. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT

F-S Planning & Zoning Commission Chairman Carter Munday provided a status update to the City Commission regarding the revisions to the F-S Planning & Zoning regulations. Mr. Munday indicated that he is meeting with Joe Perry and the staff at the Planning & Zoning office on a daily basis. He has recommended approximately 48 adjustments to the current regulations and is in the planning stages of approval by the City Commission and Fiscal Court.

City Manager Kenton Powell requested approval for emergency repair and/or replacement of the HVAC unit at Regions Bank. The expenditure exceeds the City’s small purchases policy and requires Commission approval.

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve payment to Turney’s Heating & Cooling, LLC in the amount of $10,000.00 for the emergency replacement of HVAC unit at City Hall. Voting aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Franklin Police Department provided the Commission with an update regarding wrecker service responsibilities for the area. Kentucky State Police offer services which oversee the process and provides procedures for wrecker services for law enforcement and other emergency services. This program offers inspection of wreckers by Commercial Vehicle Enforcement, maintaining updated insurance coverage, business licensing and all other required documentation thereby relieving the local police department of these duties.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to approve Franklin Police Department utilizing the wrecker services responsibilities offered by Kentucky State Police. Voting aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

City Finance Director Shaunna Cornwell provided the Commission with an update regarding the Utility Billing/Finance Department software. The go-live date is scheduled for Monday November 13, 2017. As a result of this go-live date, Mrs. Cornwell is requesting to close the billing and finance department on Monday, November 13, 2017.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to close the billing and finance department on Monday, November 13, 2017. No billing due dates, penalty dates or cut off dates will be scheduled for November 13 or November 14. Voting aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

City Attorney Scott Crabtree asked the Commission to approve the Mayor contact WKRN, the ABC affiliate in Nashville, to ask them to allow duplication of ABC services to the Southern Kentucky area. If WKRN will allow the duplication of ABC services in this area, Comcast may be willing to restore WBKO to the channel lineup for Franklin’s customers.
Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to authorize the Mayor to contact the General Manager of WKRN to request a duplication of ABC affiliation to the Southern Kentucky region in an effort to restore WBKO to the Comcast channel lineup in Franklin. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC SAFETY

City Attorney Scott Crabtree requested approval for revisions to Section 3, Chapter 8 and adoption of Section 3, Chapter 13 of the Franklin Police Department Policies and Procedures Manual.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to approve revisions to Section 3, Chapter 8 and adoption of Section 3, Chapter 13 of the Franklin Police Department Policies and Procedures Manual. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

UTILITIES

Public Works Director Chris Klotter requested the Commission approve the Sewer Contract for Public and Private Sewer Lines to permit SMP Properties, LLC as the developer of The Willows Subdivision to connect to the City of Franklin existing sewer services lines located on Bluegrass Road.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to authorize the Mayor sign the Sewer Contract for Public and Private Sewer Lines for completion of the sewer project at The Willows Subdivision and further authorized the Mayor sign any other documents necessary to complete this project. In accordance with this contract, documentation of a surety bond, irrevocable letter of credit or other security must be received by the City of Franklin prior to construction to ensure compliance with City specifications. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES

City Clerk Cathy Dillard presented second reading of Ordinance No. 2017-018 entitled Ordinance Annexing to the City of Franklin, Kentucky Approximately 274.25 Acres Located on Bowling Green Road, Being Contiguous to the Existing City Limits of Franklin, Kentucky in Accordance with The Comprehensive Plan of Annexation

Motion was made by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve Ordinance No. 2017-018. Motion carried unanimously with the following roll call vote.

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

At 12:35 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of (1) proposed, or pending litigation {KRS 61.810(c)}; (2) discussions, or hearings, which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual {KRS 61.810(f)}; (3) 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)}; and/or (4) deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property by a public agency where publicity would be likely to affect the value of a specific piece of property to be acquired for public use or sold by a public agency {KRS 61.810(1)(b)}.

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 and City Finance Director Shaunna Cornwell.

Shaunna Cornwell exited Executive Session at 12:40 PM.

At 1:02 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Stewart 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 Barnes to hire Amanda Bennett Cothern as a full-time Customer Service Representative at City Hall. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:03 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