

The Franklin, Kentucky City Commission met in **regular session** at 6:00 p.m. on **Monday, April 9, 2012**, in the Simpson County School Board Meeting Room, 430 South College Street, Franklin, Kentucky. The following members attended:

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; Finance Director Cendy Dodd; Police Chief Todd Holder; City Clerk Mandy Cassidy; Administrative Deputy Clerk Kathy Stradtner; Franklin Housing Authority Directory Hal Toomey; Housing Authority Board Member Martha Rohde, Housing Authority Board Member Cary Bowen; Industrial Authority Director Dennis Griffin; meeting Videographer F-S school employee Bridgett Crawford; and Franklin Favorite/WFKN media representative Keith Pyles.

Honorable Mayor Ronnie Clark called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and Commissioner Larry Dixon offered an opening prayer.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Motion** was made by **Commissioner Powell** and seconded by **Commissioner Barnes** to approve the minutes from the March 26, 2012 regular Commission meeting. **Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried.**

#### HEAR THE PUBLIC

None

#### REGULAR BUSINESS

#### COMMUNITY SERVICES

- **Report from Franklin Housing Authority Executive Director Hal Toomey**

Mr. ~~Hall~~ Hal Toomey updated the Commission regarding the current events surrounding the Franklin Housing Authority. Mr. Toomey stated they currently have 108 units available at the Housing Authority, and are currently allowed 110 units. Mr. Toomey stated they have remodeled all of the 4-bedroom units by updating the HVAC units and installing laminate flooring. Two 5-bedroom units were converted into two 1-bedroom units and two 2-bedroom units. Mr. Toomey further stated there are two major upcoming projects for this year: (1) replacing needed roofing; and (2) adding handicap accessible units. Mr. Toomey also stated the house previously purchased from the city is ready to be rented or sold. The Housing Authority is currently partnering with Habitat for Humanity for housing renovations and employing low income resident business owners in assisting with projects and renovations. Commissioner Dixon complimented Mr. Toomey and staff at the Housing Authority on a job well done.

- **Discussion and/or Possible Appointment to F-S Human Rights Commission Board**

The Commission heard a report from City Manager Kenton Powell regarding the appointment of city member to the Human Rights Commission. Currently, there is a vacant seat on the city's side. Mr. Powell recommended the appointment of Pastor Annie Spickard. **Motion was made by Commissioner Dixon to appoint Pastor Annie Spickard to the Human Rights Commission, and seconded by Commissioner Powell. Ayes. All those voting members present. Motion carried.**

### **GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

- **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding FY 13 Budget Development Plan**

The Commission heard a report from City Manager Kenton Powell regarding the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 budget workshop sessions. Mr. Powell informed the Commission of the time schedule tentatively set for the budget workshops. A discussion was held regarding times. The Commission agreed to set the time from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. beginning on Monday, April 23, 2012, commencing ~~(continuing?)~~ on Monday, May 14, 2012 and final commission workshop on Monday, May 21, 2012.

- **Discussion of Purchasing Procedures as Related to Local Bidders**

The Commission heard a recommendation from City Manager Kenton Powell regarding preference to local bidders for contract awards. Mr. Powell proposed an ordinance similar to that of the City of Bowling Green or the City of Louisville. Commissioner Barnes suggested that we possibly did not need the ordinance because he is concerned with wording regarding "lowest and most responsive bidder" per KRS 45A.494. Mr. Stone suggested we keep the regulations as we have them now. He stated currently there is no need for this ordinance and that he still wants to take each bid on its own for each project for the time being. Mr. Stone felt that local contractors were comfortable if given the chance to bid. Mayor Clark recommended tabling this recommendation. All commissioners agreed.

- **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Franklin Urban Development Board**

The Commission heard a report from City Manager Kenton Powell regarding dissolving The Franklin Urban Development Board as they have been inactive for several years. **A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to dissolve the Franklin Urban Development Board. Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried.**

**PUBLIC SERVICES**

- **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Purchase of Backhoe for Street Department**

The Commission heard a report from City Manager Kenton Powell regarding the purchase of a backhoe for the Street Department. Mr. Powell recommended the purchase of a backhoe from Diamond Equipment, Inc. The sale price is \$74,955.00, minus the \$10,000.00 trade in allowance, leaving the city a total cost of \$64,955.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell to purchase a backhoe from Diamond Equipment, Inc. for \$64,955.00 as the lowest and best responsive, responsible bidder and seconded by Commissioner Barnes. Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

- No Scheduled Business

**UTILITIES**

- No Scheduled Business

**ORDINANCES**

- **Second Reading of Ordinance B2011-2012**

City Clerk Mandy Cassady gave second reading of **ORDINANCE B2011-2012**. An Ordinance Amending the annual budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2012 by estimating revenues and appropriations. A Motion was made by Commissioner Powell to adopt Ordinance No. B2011-2012 and seconded by Commissioner Dixon. Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried.

- City Clerk Mandy Cassady gave first summary reading of Ordinance No. 221.7-04-2012 authorizing the grant of an inducement for Vermont Thread Gage, LLC and foregoing collection of one percent (1%) City Occupational License Fee over a term of not longer than ten (10) years. The inducement will allow Vermont Thread Gage to more than double the size of its building and add 15 new jobs to its facility.
- City Clerk Mandy Cassady gave first summary reading of Ordinance No. 920.4-04-2012 Rezoning One Acre from R-1 to B-2 located at 324 South Main Street. The property is owned by William D. Collins and wife, Frances V. Collins.
- City Clerk Mandy Cassady gave first summary reading of Ordinance No. 110.80-04-2012 annexing approximately two acres located on the east side of U.S. 31 W South owned by A.H.O.C. Evansville, LLC.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Powell to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussion of deliberations on acquisition, or sale of real property where publicity would be likely to affect the value {KRS 61.810(b)}, and of possible pending litigation {KRS 61.810 (C)}, and discussions, or hearings, which might lead to the

appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual {KRS 61.81 (f)}, discussions between a public agency, or 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)}.

Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried unanimously at 6:50 p.m. Entering executive session were Mayor Clark and the four Commissioners, F.S. Industrial Authority Director Dennis Griffin, and City Manager Powell.

At 7:15 p.m., F-S Industrial Authority Director Dennis Griffin exited executive session. At 7:15 p.m., Police Chief Todd Holder entered executive session.

At 7:25 p.m., Police Chief Todd Holder exited executive session.

At 7:48 p.m., session was returned to open meeting, and motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to close the executive session and return to open session. Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS

None

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

None

OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to accept the resignation of Officer Joshua D. Toomey effective April 1, 2012. Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Powell to accept the insurance settlement offered by Progressive Insurance of \$15,018.60 on a 2004 Ford Crown Victoria and authorized the Mayor to sign any and all necessary documents to effectuate the transaction. Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to adjourn the City Commission meeting. Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried at 7:49 p.m.

  
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Ronnie Clark, Mayor

  
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Mandy Cassady, City Clerk

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