

The Franklin, KY City Commission met in **regular session** at 12:00 pm, Monday, **August 25, 2014**, in the City Hall meeting room, 117 West Cedar 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 Personnel Director/Deputy Clerk, Rita Vaughn; Finance Director, Shaunna Cornwell; City Attorney Scott Crabtree, Interim Police Captain Horace Johnson; City Water Distribution Superintendent Clif Beecher; F-S Human Rights Commission member, Donzella Lee; Jon Hall, with Human Resources Consulting; and Franklin Favorite/WFKN media representative, Keith Pyles.

Honorable Mayor Ronnie Clark called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm, and Franklin Police Chaplain Dale Reeve offered an opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and second by Commissioner Stewart to approve the minutes from the August 11, 2014 regular Commission meeting. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

RECOGNITIONS

None

HEAR THE PUBLIC

None

REGULAR BUSINESS

COMMUNITY SERVICES

- **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Appointment to Housing Authority Board**

Earlier this year Mr. Rick Tingle was appointed to serve on the Housing Authority of Franklin Board. Unfortunately Mr. Tingle has moved out of Simpson County and is unable to continue to serve on that board. Mayor Clark has searched for someone willing to serve, and recommends Mr. Larry Smith, 604 Craig Street. Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and second by Commissioner Dixon to appoint Mr. Larry Smith to the Housing Authority of Franklin board to fill the unexpired term of Rick Tingle, such term to expire December 31, 2016. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

- **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Appointment to F-S Industrial Authority Board**

Mrs. Darla Knight's term on the F-S Industrial Authority expired on July 28, 2014. Mrs. Knight has proven to be an active and concerned member, and Mayor Clark recommends reappointment of her to another full term on the Board. Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and second by Commissioner Stewart to reappoint Mrs. Darla Knight to the F-S Industrial Authority Board retroactive to July 29, 2014 to a term expiring on July 28, 2018. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

- **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Street Closing Request for September Festival**

F S Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Mr. Steve Thurmond has requested temporary closing of streets for the September 19-20 Festival on the Square. This will be the 10th anniversary for the festival and brings thousands of visitors to our City. As in the past, the State has already been contacted for approval of closings of any portions of the streets that cross State maintained streets. Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and second by Commissioner Dixon to grant the F S Chamber of Commerce request and approve the following street closings for the September Festival on the Square: Friday, September 19 from 5 pm thru 9:30 pm : West Kentucky Avenue from Main Street west to College Street, College Street from Kentucky Avenue south to Cedar Street, (NOTE State is approving the closing of Cedar Street from College east to Main Street) and Saturday, September 20 from 5 am to 5:00 pm: West Kentucky Avenue from Court Street west to High Street, College Street from West Washington to the back corner of City Hall (NOTE: State is approving the closing of Cedar Street from the west end of Brick Yard Building east to Main Street, and Main Street from the intersection of Cedar and Main west to the intersection of Main and Washington. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

- **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Best Donuts Request to Lease Sidewalk Space**

The City has received a request from the operators of Best Donuts, 201 West Cedar Street, to lease sidewalk space for signs and tables and chairs for their customers to use. Mayor Clark stressed that the tables and chairs must be moved inside at night. Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to approve the lease agreement with Best Donuts and to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

- **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Brick Yard Café's Sidewalk Space Lease Agreement**

Robert Stupar, President of Brickyard Café, Inc., was present requesting approval of the Lease Agreement to place tables and chairs on the sidewalk in front of the Brickyard Café. Again, Mayor Clark stressed that the tables and chairs must be moved inside at night. Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to approve the Lease Agreement with the Brickyard Café and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

- **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding City County Joint Meeting Date**

City Attorney Scott Crabtree has spoken with County Judge Jim Henderson regarding scheduling a date for the joint City Commission/County Fiscal Court meeting. Monday, September 15, at 12:00 noon, was an agreeable date for the meeting to be held at City Hall. Scott will send them a notice.

PUBLIC SERVICES

None

PUBLIC SAFETY

- **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Police Policies and Procedures**

Interim Police Chief Horace Johnson was present to discuss the recommended changes to the Police Policies and Procedures Manual. Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to approve the following changes to the Police Policies and Procedures Manual: Chapter 3 – Department Structure; Chapter 5 – Direction; and Chapter 9 – Promotions. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

UTILITIES

- **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Voice Over IP Service**

Fiber Services Manager, Tammie Carey, was present to request approval for reselling of Voice over Internet Protocol ((VoIP) phone services to the City's internet customers as an offering of the Franklin Municipal FiberNET, and approval of the Phone Pricing Schedule. In April 2014 the City phone services were changed over to Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) utilizing the services of Windstream for that service. At this time, the request is to make this phone service available to the City's internet customers, with the City serving as the reseller of the phone service through Windstream. Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve the offering of this service; accept the phone pricing schedule as an offering of the Franklin Municipal FiberNET; to authorize the Mayor to sign any and all documents with Windstream; and to authorize Scott Crabtree and Tammie Carey to negotiate the contracts. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

- **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding GIS Equipment Capital Purchase for Water Distribution Department**

Water Distribution Superintendent Clif Beecher was present to request approval to initiate the purchase of GIS equipment and related software, as approved in the FY2015 Capital Budget. The total amounts budgeted for these purchases are not to exceed \$26,200. Motion was made by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to approve the purchase of all items related to the GIS capital request and to authorize the Mayor to sign any and all documents necessary to execute these purchases. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and second by Commissioner Dixon to enter in to executive session for the purpose of discussion of proposed, or pending litigation {KRS 61.810(c)}, and discussions, or hearings, which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual {KRS 61.810(f)}. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously at 12:30 p.m. Entering executive session were Mayor Clark and the four Commissioners, City Finance Shaunna Cornwell, Jon Hall, and Personnel Director Rita Vaughn.

At 1:35 p.m., motion was made by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Powell to return to open session. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Powell to hire Daniel Riley, Brian Crane, and George Arnold as non-certified Police Officers contingent upon them successfully passing all final tests and requirements. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to cancel the regularly scheduled meeting on September 22, 2014 and have a special called meeting at 11:00 a.m. for executive session only. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

RETURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Following a brief break, motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to return to executive session to conduct interviews. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously at 1:45 p.m.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to come out of executive session and return to open session. Ayes: All. Motion carried at 3:50 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to adjourn the City Commission meeting. Ayes: All. Motion carried at 3:50 p.m.


Ronnie Clark, Mayor


Rita Vaughn, Deputy City Clerk
