The Franklin, KY City Commission convened in regular session at 12:00 pm, Monday, January 13, 2014, in the City Hall meeting room, 117 W. Cedar Street, Franklin, Kentucky. Member attendance as follows:

- Mayor Ronnie Clark
- Commissioner Mason Barnes
- Commissioner Larry Dixon
- Commissioner Jamie Powell
- Commissioner Wendell Stewart

Present and in the chair presiding
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Others present included City Attorney, Scott Crabtree, Chief of Police, Todd Holder; City Clerk, Mandy Cassidy; Administrative Deputy Clerk, Kathy Stradtner; FiberNet Services Manager, Tammie Carey, who videoed the meeting, Street Superintendent, Derick Minnicks; several officers of the Franklin Police Department; F-S Human Rights Representative, Donzella Lee; African American Heritage Center Representative, Charles McCutchen; and Franklin Favorite/WFKN media representative, Keith Pyles and Bowling Green Daily News media representative, Katie Brandenburg.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Dixon and second by Commissioner Barnes to approve the minutes from the regular scheduled meeting on December 9, 2013 and special called meeting on December 19, 2013. Ayes: Commissioner Powell, Commissioner Barnes, Commissioner Dixon, Commissioner Stewart and Mayor Clark. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION

- Swearing In Ceremony for New Franklin Police Cadet Jasna Kusturizza

City Attorney, Scott Crabtree, performed a swearing in ceremony for Franklin Police Cadet, Jasna Kusturizza.

HEAR THE PUBLIC

- Charles McCutchen, representative of African American Heritage Center, addressed the commission regarding debt forgiveness of the remaining balance of $9,000.00 from a previous agreement involving property purchased at 513 West Madison Street. Mr. McCutchen also requests future funding from the City to the African American Heritage Council. Commissioner Barnes asked Mr. McCutchen what the annual operating expenses were for the council. Mr. McCutchen replied that between $20,000.00 - $30,000.00 is required for operating expenses. Commissioner Stewart requests Mr. McCutchen prepare an annual budget and submit to the commission for further review and discussion. No action taken.

REGULAR BUSINESS

COMMUNITY SERVICES
• Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Franklin Housing Authority Board Expiring Member Term

City Manager, Kenton Powell, addressed the commission regarding the expiring term of Housing Authority Board Member, Phil Lockhart. Mr. Powell stated Mr. Lockhart is willing to continue to serve on the board and wishes to be reappointed for another four (4) year term. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and second by Commissioner Stewart to authorize the reappointment of Phil Lockhart to serve another four (4) year term on the Housing Authority of Franklin Board, with such term to expire on December 31, 2017. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

• Discussion and or Possible Action Regarding the Approval of Emergency Purchase of Server for City Hall

City Manager, Kenton Powell, and Finance Director, Shaunna Cornwell, addressed the commission regarding an emergency purchase of Server for City Hall. Mrs. Cornwell explained the server at City Hall crashed on November 25, 2013 and in order to repair quickly, a server previously purchased by the Police Department, awaiting installation, was used. Mrs. Cornwell stated city employees, Glenn Dalcourt and Art McFadden, worked two days to install the new server and during that time all systems at City Hall were down. Mrs. Cornwell requests authorization for emergency purchase of new server for replacement at the Police Department. A motion was made by Commissioner Dixon and second by Commissioner Powell to authorize the emergency purchase of a server and five licenses for antivirus software for City Hall to be used as replacement at Franklin Police Department in the amount of $6,235.24 and authorize the Mayor to sign any documents necessary to effectuate this transaction. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

• Update Regarding Upcoming S.T.A.R. Training

Alcohol Beverage Control Administrator, Mandy Cassady, reminded the commission and public regarding the upcoming S.T.A.R. Training to be conducted by the State Alcohol Beverage Control on Wednesday, January 15, 2014 from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm at City Hall.

• Discussion and or Possible Action Regarding Signature on Enhanced 911 System Continuing Interlocal Agreement
City Attorney, Scott Crabtree, requested the commission to approve and ratify the Mayor’s signature of the Continuing Interlocal Cooperation Agreement, an extension of the existing 911 agreement between the Kentucky State Police, Simpson County Fiscal Court and the City of Franklin. A motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and second by Commissioner Powell to approve and ratify the Mayor’s signature on the Continuing Interlocal Cooperation Agreement. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC SERVICES

- Discussion and or Possible Action Regarding African American Heritage Center Funding Request

Charles McCutchen representing the African American Heritage Center addressed the Commission and requested a debt forgiveness request of $9,000.00 which was the balance remaining from the purchase of the building located on West Madison Street. He also requested operations funding for the next fiscal year. The Commission took the matter under advisement pencing receipt of further financial information.

- Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Remediation of Blighted Properties in Community

City Manager, Kenton Powell, updated the commission regarding Harristown Community Improvements in relation to the previous commitment to spend in-kind the amount of money transferred after the Carter Moore Hospital Fire debris removal. Mr. Powell stated the city has spent $5,512.00 on overgrowth and $11,034.06 on the removal of a blighted structure during fiscal year 2012-2013. Mr. Powell states there are six (6) more properties scheduled to be condemned.

- Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Reward of Contracts for Clean Up at Blighted Carter Moore Hospital Site

City Manager, Kenton Powell, addressed the commission regarding the bids received for the final contract for the removal of debris from the August 1, 2012 Carter Moore Hospital fire. Mr. Powell provided detailed recommendations to the commission regarding bids received. A motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and second by Commissioner Powell to reject the bid received in the amount of $80,000.00 from Raybold Environmental and award GR2 the bid at the price of $12,600.00 total cost based on $630.00 per day as the best responsive and responsible bidder and further award Pyles Excavating the roll off dumpsters contract in the amount of $46,824.12 as the lowest and best responsive, responsible bidder and to further award the equipment rental contract to Nortax in the amount of $29,929.00 as the lowest and best responsive, responsible bidder and to authorize the Mayor to sign all documents necessary to fulfill the intent of this motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC SAFETY

None
UTILITIES

• Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Service Agreement with USTI to Prepare Customer Analysis Report

Finance Director, Shaunna Cornwell, addressed the commission regarding a service agreement with software provider, USTI, to prepare a customer analysis report to provide historical, monthly, quarterly and annual sales data on a customer specific basis. Mrs. Cornwell stated this is a serious shortcoming in the utility billing system by the current software provider; yet requests authorization to purchase the report in the amount of $1600.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Dixon to enter into a USTI Service Agreement for customized programming and configuring a customer analysis report and authorize the Mayor to sign any and all documents relating to this motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

• Discussion and/or Possible Action in Regards to Providing In-Kind Service to Extend Sewer Service to Henderson Interstate Industrial Park.

City Manager, Kenton Powell, addressed the commission regarding a request submitted by the F-S Industrial authority regarding the assistance with construction of a spec building in the new Henderson Interstate Industrial Park. After discussion with city employees, Mr. Powell requested the donation of city employee labor to assistance in constructing sewer line to the spec building to be constructed. A motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Powell to authorize and provide in-kind labor of city employees in order to construct 2300 linear feet of sewer line from Highway 100 to the Alliance Corporation spec building located in the new Henderson Interstate Industrial Park. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES

• Second Reading of Ordinance No. 610.7-01-2014 An Ordinance Of the City of Franklin, Kentucky, Repealing and Re-Enacting in Amended Text and Substance Certain Portions of a Previous Ordinance Relating to Rates and Charges of the Municipal Water and Sewer System

City Clerk, Mandy Cassady, gave second summary reading of Ordinance No. 610.7-01-2014, An Ordinance of the City of Franklin, Kentucky, Repealing and Re-Enacting in Amended Text and Substance Certain Portions of a Previous Ordinance Relating to Rates and Charges of the Municipal Water and Sewer System. A motion was made by Commissioner Dixon and second by Commissioner Barnes to adopt Ordinance No. 610.7-01-2014. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Commissioner Barnes, Commissioner Dixon, Commissioner Powell, Commissioner Stewart and Mayor Clark. Motion carried 5-0.

• First Reading of Ordinance No 920.2-1-2014

City Clerk, Mandy Cassady, gave first summary reading of Ordinance No. 920.2-1-2014 An Ordinance of the City of Franklin, Kentucky Repealing and Re-Enacting in Amended Text and Substance a Previous Ordinance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None
CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS

City Attorney, Scott Crabtree, reminded commissioners of upcoming City Day and City Night at the Capital for networking and review of upcoming 2014 legislative topics.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

City Manager, Kenton Powell, thanked the employees of the water department and street department for their dedication and time spent clearing roads and maintaining water lines during the inclement weather conditions.

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 unanimously at 12:50 pm.

Ronnie Clark, Mayor

Mandy Cassady, City Clerk