

The Franklin, KY City Commission convened in **regular session** on **Monday, January 25, 2016**, in the City Hall meeting room, 117 W. Cedar Street, Franklin, Kentucky. Mayor Ronnie Clark called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon and the City Clerk took the member roll:

Mayor Ronnie Clark	Present and in the chair presiding
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 Chief of Police, Roger Solomon; City Clerk, Kathy Stradtner; City Finance Director, Shaunna Cornwell; City Personnel Director/Deputy Clerk, Rita Vaughn; Waste Water Treatment Plant Superintendent, Chris Klotter; and Franklin Favorite / WFKN media representative, Keith Pyles.

Commissioner Larry Dixon offered an opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and second by Commissioner Powell to approve as presented the minutes of the January 11, 2016 regular City Commission meeting. Voting aye: all. Motion carried unanimously.

RECOGNITION

Mayor Clark and the Commissioners expressed their thanks and appreciation to City Manager Powell and all the City Staff who went above and beyond to keep our City running smoothly during the recent severe weather. The Street department crews worked nonstop to clear the streets, and appreciation was conveyed for the always excellent job done by the Police Department. Comments included appreciation for the City Manager's efforts in keeping the Commission informed throughout the crisis.

HEAR THE PUBLIC

None

COMMUNITY SERVICES

No business

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

- Discussion and Possible Action — Regarding Recent Meeting with KY Transportation District Engineer Greg Meredith

City Manager Powell recently had a conversation with KY Transportation Cabinet District Engineer Greg Meredith regarding various projects around the City and what part the State could play in completing those. Topics discussed included:

- State to review solutions to standing water problem in front of Sonic Restaurant on north Hwy. 31W
- State receptive to input from City about the possibility of pedestrian cross walk buttons being installed by the State
- Although the direct entrance to the high-school is not on a state highway, Mr. Meredith did say the State would look into Wildcat Way and make recommendations regarding a safer pedestrian crossing in the area.
- Beautification of the median on Highway 100 from its intersection with Hwy. 31-W and east to Interstate Exit 6 was discussed, and Mr. Meredith that could be done, and a similar project was completed in the City of Bowling Green utilizing community sponsorship moneys to finance the improvements.
- New Entrance on Hwy. 31-W North for the Fritz-Winter Industrial Project which will involve a new turning lane. No additional traffic lights are being considered at this time.
- The final item discussed was the need for street lights on the new section of Hwy. 31-W south near Wal-Mart. Mr. Meredith said the State had no problem with lights being installed, but the City would have to authorize the addition, and pay the monthly charge.

City Manager Powell had investigated the cost to the City for the lights that would fall in the Warren Rural Electric utility service area. The metal poles would have underground service and involve a recurring monthly service charge at the present rate of \$760.35 a month for twenty light poles. Following discussion, motion was made by Mayor Clark and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to authorize any necessary action to have twenty light poles installed as described by Warren Rural Electric Cooperative Corp along Highway 31-W North between Hunt Ford and Walmart, authorize payment of the recurring monthly utility bill, and finally authorize the Mayor to sign any documents necessary per this motion. Voting aye: all. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SERVICES

No business

PUBLIC SAFETY

- Discussion and Possible Action – Authorize Franklin Police Department Purchase

Police Chief Solomon has reviewed his current fleet and determined an additional cruiser is needed. The current City budget includes \$35,272 for the purchase which initially was for a Ford SUV. After review, and factoring in the weather experienced last year and that the Ford product did not perform as needed, Chief Solomon is choosing to go with a 2016 Dodge Charger instead. Two quotes for vehicles were received, and below is the information.

<i>Freedom Dodge</i>	<i>Hunt Ford-Chrysler</i>
\$25,555.20 <i>Vehicle Base Price</i>	\$25,534.00 <i>Vehicle Base Price</i>
<u>\$ 6,314.59 <i>Vehicle Road Ready</i></u>	<u>\$ 6,314.59 <i>Vehicle Road Ready</i></u>
\$31,869.79 <i>Total on the road cost</i>	\$31,848.59 <i>Total on the road cost</i>

Motion was made by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to award the purchase of one Police cruiser (2016 Dodge Charger) from the lowest and best responsive, responsible bid received from Hunt Ford-Chrysler for the total purchase price of \$31,848.59, which included cost to get the vehicle road ready, and authorize the Mayor to sign any necessary documents per this motion. Voting aye: all. Motion carried unanimously.

UTILITIES

- Discussion and Possible Action – South Annexation Sewer Improvement Project

The 3I-W South Annexation Sewer Extension Project has been completed, we wanted to notify those who wished to connect to the new line of the requirements for connection, per City Ordinance. A letter from Wastewater Superintendent Chris Klotter was sent out to the businesses and one residence involved.

To Whom It May Concern:

As of January 13, 2016, the sewer extension for the 3I-W South Annexation project is complete and tested. The City of Franklin Sewer Use Ordinance 610.1-07-08-13 III. (4) contains the following requirement: "The owner of all houses, buildings or properties used for human occupancy, employment, recreation, or other purposes, situated within the City or any area under the jurisdiction of said City and abutting on any street, highway, alley, or right-of-way in which there is now located or may in the future be located a public sanitary sewer of the City, is hereby required at his expense to connect such facilities directly with the reasonably available proper public sewer in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance within ninety (90) days after the date of official notice to do so." This letter will serve as official notice of the requirement for sewer connection.

All taps and cleanouts for the properties in the area have been installed or will be installed at the City of Franklin's expense and therefore no tap fee will be charged to the property owner. It shall be the responsibility of the property owner to install a lateral line up to the preinstalled cleanout/tap. The requirement for the City of Franklin is a \$40.00 inspection fee for the inspection of the tie-in to the cleanout/tap at the property line. An inspection/tap form is attached to be turned into City Hall along with the fee.

*Thank you for your cooperation,
Chris Klotter
Wastewater Superintendent
City of Franklin*

- Discussion and Possible Action – Water Distribution Department Unexpected Repair

City Manager Powell discussed an unexpected repair issue reported by the Water Distribution Department. The lights that illuminate the Williamsburg Water Tank site have stopped working. Field Supervisor Daniel Brown obtained a quote from SVJ Electric Company INC to not only repair the lights, but to also upgrade them to a more energy efficient LED bulb system which is estimated to be a seventy-five percent (75%) power savings. Knowing that the Quail Ridge Tank lighting also needs to be upgraded, that is being included in the request. SVJ quoted a total of \$5,657 for the upgrades at both tanks, but did caution that there was a possibility of some of the underground wiring being damaged, and since that won't be known until the work is started, also included a price per hour rate if that were the case. The current City budget has around \$58,000 for three other water line projects, and Supervisor Brown previously spoke with the City Finance Director, and would like to instead use some of that appropriation to complete the water tank repairs.

SVJ Electric	Repair lights at Williamsburg Water Tank & Upgrade lights at both Williamsburg and Quail Ridge Water Tanks	\$5,657.00
	Hourly Rate for 2 man crew for underground repairs if needed	\$ 113.00

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to approve the expenditure in the Water Distribution section of the City of Franklin FY 15-16 budget for the emergency repair and upgrades to the Williamsburg and Quail Ridge Water Tank lights, award the work to SVJ Electric Company, INC in an amount not to exceed \$6,500, and authorize the Mayor's signature on any documents needed per this action. Voting aye: all. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to enter into executive session for the purposes of LITIGATION – Discussion of proposed or pending litigation {KRS 61.810(c)}; PERSONNEL – Discussions or hearings which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee or member {KRS 61.810 (f)}' and BUSINESS – Discussions 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)}. Voting aye: all. Motion carried unanimously at 12:35pm. Entering the closed session were the Mayor and four Commissioners, City Manager, and City Attorney.

Robert T. Wesley was invited in to the executive session at 12:35 pm. Mr. Wesley exited at 12:56 pm.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to return to open session. Voting aye: all. Motion carried unanimously at 2:02 pm.

Motion was made by Mayor Clark and seconded by Commissioner Powell to hire Norman Poppy as service maintenance position in the Water Distribution department effective as soon as Mr. Poppy is available. Voting aye: all. Motion carried unanimously.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS

None

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

None

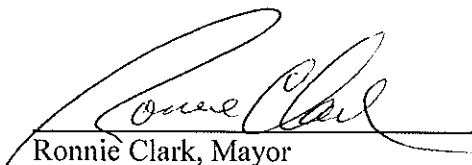
OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS

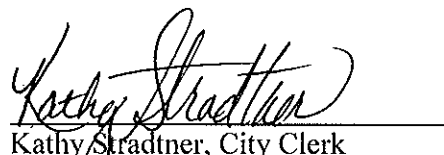
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ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to adjourn the City Commission meeting. Voting aye: all. Motion carried unanimously at 2:05pm.

Approved the 8th day of February, ~~2015~~ ²⁰¹⁶


Ronnie Clark, Mayor


Kathy Stradtner, City Clerk