

The Franklin, KY City Commission convened in **regular session** at 12:00 pm, **Monday, March 24, 2014**, in the City Hall meeting room, 117 W. 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 Wendell Stewart	Present

Others present included City Attorney, Scott Crabtree, Chief of Police, Todd Holder; City Clerk, Mandy Cassady; Finance Director Shaunna Cornwell; Personnel Director, Rita Vaughn; Purchasing Agent, Angela West; Gallery on the Square Executive Director, Barbara Markell-Thomas; Franklin Simpson Human Rights Commission Representative, Donzella Lee; and media representative of the Franklin Favorite, Keith Pyles.

Mayor Ronnie Clark, called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM, and Reverend Abner Wickware of Harvester's Warehouse Pentecostal Church, offered an opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and second by Commissioner Stewart to approve the minutes from the regular scheduled meeting on March 10, 2014. Ayes: Commissioner Powell, Commissioner Barnes, Commissioner Dixon, Commissioner Stewart and Mayor Clark. Motion carried unanimously.

RECOGNITION

None

HEAR THE PUBLIC

None

REGULAR BUSINESS

COMMUNITY SERVICES

- **Presentation by Gallery on the Square Executive Director, Barbara Markell-Thomas**

Gallery on the Square, Executive Director, Barbara Markell-Thomas addressed the commission regarding ongoing and upcoming activities scheduled thru out the year at the Gallery on the Square.

- **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Equal Pay Day Proclamation Request by BPW Club**

Administrative Deputy Clerk, Kathy Stradtner, presented the commission with a Proclamation request from the Business and Professional Women's Club to declare April 8, 2014 as Equal Pay Day. A motion was made by Commissioner Dixon and second by Commissioner Powell to adopt the Proclamation as presented by the Franklin Business and Professional Women's Club and proclaim Tuesday, April 8, 2014 as Equal Pay Day in the City of Franklin, KY. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Proclamation

City of Franklin, Kentucky

WHEREAS, forty years after the passage of the Equal Pay Act and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, women continue to suffer the consequences of inequitable pay differentials; and according to statistics released in 2006, the average weekly wage for full-time working women was only 81% of the earnings of year-round, full-time working men, indicating little change or progress in pay equity; and

WHEREAS, with all factors being equal, if women received the same salary as men for the same type work, then women's annual family income would rise by approximately \$4,000, and poverty rates cut in half; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of fair pay standards not only strengthens the security of families but also enhances the American economy; and

WHEREAS, Tuesday, April 8, 2014 symbolizes the time in the next year in which the wages paid to American women catch up to the wages paid to men from the previous year, and the Franklin Business and Professional Women's Club will be participating in events to bring attention to this subject;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Commission of the City of Franklin, does hereby proclaim Tuesday, April 8, 2014 as EQUAL PAY DAY in the City of Franklin, Kentucky and urge the citizens of Franklin to recognize the full value of women's skills and significant contributions to the labor force, and further encourages businesses to conduct an internal pay evaluation to ensure women are being paid fairly.

- **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Property Maintenance Board Member Vacancy**

City Manager, Kenton Powell, addressed the commission regarding appointment to an expired term on the Property Maintenance Board. Mr. Powell submitted Mayor Clark's recommendation of Betty Ann Jernigan to serve a full three year term. A motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Barnes to appoint Betty Ann Jernigan to serve a full three year term on the Franklin Simpson Property Maintenance Board; term to expire December 31, 2015. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

- **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Street Closing Request from Simpson County Tourism and Vintage Chevrolet Club of America**

City Manager, Kenton Powell, presented the commission with a request from the Simpson County Tourism Commission regarding downtown street closure's to allow for the parking and displaying of vintage Chevrolet vehicles on Tuesday, April 29, 2014. A motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and second by Commissioner Powell to grant the request from Simpson County Tourism Commissioner on behalf of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America to close on Tuesday, April 29, 2014 from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm parts of College Street in the downtown area of Franklin from Cedar Street to the south side of Kentucky Avenue, leaving Kentucky Avenue open to traffic and close College Street from North side of Kentucky Avenue to the edge of the Franklin Presbyterian Church property; leaving the street in front of Crabtree Furniture store open. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

- **Discussion and or Possible Action Regarding Supplemental Service Agreement with American Legal Publishing**

City Clerk, Mandy Cassady, updated the commission with the Ordinance Codification project and requested the commission authorize the city to enter into a contract with American Legal Publishing to annually update the codification and provide online publishing of all adopted ordinances. A motion was made by Commissioner Dixon and second by Commissioner Powell to authorize permission for the City to enter into a contract with American Legal Publishing to annually update the printed ordinance codification and to place codified ordinances on the Folio Search program and update the Folio Search program codified ordinances as the ordinances are adopted and authorize the Mayor to sign any and all documents necessary per this motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

- **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding City Hall Customer Service Business Hours**

Finance Director, Shaunna Cornwell, addressed the commission regarding the upcoming expiration of ninety (90) day trial period of customer service hours. Mrs. Cornwell indicated there has been no negative feedback from citizens regarding the operational hours change and requested the change of business hours be approved indefinitely. A motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Barnes to approve permanent change in City Hall customer service hours to Monday thru Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC SERVICES

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

City Manager, Kenton Powell, requested the commission authorize the purchase for a 2014 F-150 4X2 for the street department. Mr. Powell stated the Street Department received \$18,438.20 for recycled scrap material from the Carter Moore Hospital project and because of the Street Departments support of clean-up of the Carter Moore Hospital project there is a positive CDBG fund balance of \$35,887.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and second by Commissioner Dixon to approve the purchase of one 2014 F-150 4X2 truck from Hunt Ford-Chrysler, as the lowest and best responsive, responsible bidder, including Kentucky State Contract Incentives, for the Street Department in the amount of \$24,480.00. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC SAFETY

None

UTILITIES

- **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Cell Phone for On Call Employees**

City Manager, Kenton Powell, addressed the commission regarding the need for three (3) on call cell phones to be utilized by on-call employees in the Waste Water Treatment Plant, Water Distribution and Public Works Street Department. Angela West, Purchasing Agent, obtained quotes from providers and recommends service is obtained from Bluegrass Cellular. A motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Barnes to approve entering into a 2 year contractual arrangement with Bluegrass Cellular, the lowest and best responsive responsible bidder, as the service provider for on-call phones and authorize the Mayor to sign any and all documents related to this agreement and service. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

- **Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Water Distribution Department Temporary Seasonal Employee**

City Manager, Kenton Powell, addressed the commission with a request from Water Distribution Superintendent, Clif Beecher. Due to the loss of contract labor and a new employee addition who is still in training, Mr. Beecher requests the commission consider a temporary seasonal employee to assist from April thru October. The temporary employee will insure the department does not get off schedule on water line replacements and the upcoming annual water system flushing. A motion was made by Commissioner Dixon and

second by Commissioner Powell to authorize the hiring of a temporary seasonal employee at the rate of \$12.00 per hour with no benefits. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS

None

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

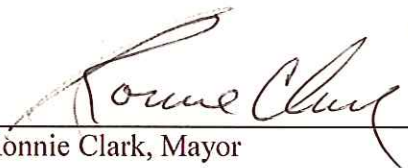
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OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS

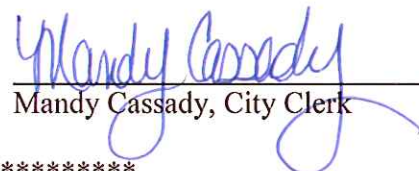
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ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Commissioner Powell and second by Commissioner Barnes to adjourn the City Commission meeting. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously at 12:37 pm.



Ronnie Clark, Mayor



Mandy Cassady, City Clerk
