The Franklin, KY City Commission met in regular session at 6:00 p.m., Monday, March 26, 2012, in the Simpson County School Board meeting room, 430 S. College 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: City Manager, Kenton Powell; City Attorney, Scott Crabtree; Finance Director, Cendy Dodd; Police, Major, Dallas Whiles; Fiber Optic Manager/Public Relations Director, Tammie Carey; City Clerk, Mandy Cassady; Administrative Deputy Clerk, Kathy Stradtner; Simpson County Jailer, Eric Vaughn; Delk Services, Danny Delk; meeting Videographer, F-S school employee Allie Meador; and Franklin Favorite/WFKN media representative; Keith Pyles.

Honorable Mayor Ronnie Clark called the meeting to order at 6:00PM, and Jerry Gilford offered an opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Commissioner Barnes and second by Commissioner Powell to approve the minutes from the March 12, 2012 regular Commission meeting. Ayes: All those voting. Motion carried unanimously.

HEAR THE PUBLIC

None

REGULAR BUSINESS

COMMUNITY SERVICES

- Inmate Program Update from Simpson County Jailer Eric Vaughn

Mr. Eric Vaughn updated the Commission regarding the county inmate program. Currently the Simpson County Jail is providing a total of 13 inmates to the City of Franklin. Inmates are currently working at the Police Department, and providing assistance to the Public Works crews for mowing, wood chipping, storm water, beautification and maintenance facility. This brings an estimated $245,000 annual labor savings to the City. Mr. Vaughn also reported a savings to Simpson County of $700,000/year, State $115,000/year, Simpson County School Systems $19,000/year and a combined savings of $115,000/year for inmates provided to FS Park & Recreation, Chamber of Commerce and City Hall. The jail is currently providing a total of 66 inmates with a combined labor savings of $1.2 million to the City of Franklin and Simpson County.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT

• Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Delinquent Accounts

Commission heard report from Finance Director, Cendy Dodd, regarding delinquent accounts. Mrs. Dodd requests the commission approve a write-off of delinquent utility accounts receivable totaling $103,672.69. Mrs. Dodd also noted $56,233.46 of the total is related to the Quebecor Bankruptcy. Motion made by Commissioner Powell and second by Commissioner Dixon to write-off the various balances totaling $103,672.69. Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC SERVICES

• Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Resolution for Franklin Housing Authority

City Manager, Kenton Powell, addressed the commission regarding a resolution for Franklin Housing Authority. Resolution would empower the Housing Authority to apply for grants for the new construction of 32 units of affordable elderly housing to be located at Orange and Lemon Streets. Motion made by Commissioner Dixon and second by Commissioner Stone to adopt RESOLUTION NO. F-2012 and authorize Mayor to sign resolution and letter of support of project. Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. F-2012

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, KENTUCKY ENCOURAGING THE REVITALIZATION OF EXISTING PUBLIC HOUSING CURRENTLY LOCATED AT CRESTMORE DRIVE AND ORANGE AND LEMON STREETS

WHEREAS, the Franklin City Commission in regular session on Monday, March 26th, 2012, was presented a request on behalf of the Franklin Housing Authority regarding the revitalization of existing public housing in Franklin; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin City Commission seeks to encourage all interested parties to seek public and private funds for said revitalization.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, KENTUCKY hereby resolves to encourage the revitalization of existing public housing currently located at Crestmore Drive and Orange and Lemon Streets.

• Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Cemetery Maintenance Bids

City Manager, Kenton Powell, addressed the commission regarding the Cemetery Maintenance Bid Opening on March 15, 2012. The city received one bid from Delk Services for $180,750 per year for the next three (3) years July 1, 2012, to and including June 31, 2015. Delk Services currently manages Greenlawn Shady Rest Cemetery and has for the past 15 years. Motion made by Commissioner Stone and second by Commissioner Barnes to award contract to Delk Services and authorize the Mayor to sign. Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried unanimously.
• Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Proposed Little Cat Lane

Project Manager, Tammie Carey, addressed the commission regarding proposed street Little Cat Lane. Little Cat Lane would connect Breckenridge Street to Madison Street. Mrs. Carey indicated funding would come from the county thru funding awarded by Kentucky Department of Rural and Municipal Aid. Mrs. Carey reported she was contacted by Representative Wilson Stone regarding the funding and he requested the Mayor to send a letter to Judge Henderson allowing the county to do the work and the commission to names the street. Motion made by Commissioner Powell and second by Commissioner Barnes to approve Resolution No. E-2012 and authorize the Mayor to send letter Simpson County authorizing work to be performed on Little Cat Lane and to sign any and all other documents necessary to effectuate the transaction. Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. E-2012

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, KENTUCKY AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A LETTER TO THE COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE ALLOWING THE SIMPSON COUNTY FISCAL COURT TO PERFORM WORK ON A CITY STREET, AND ACCEPTING AND NAMING THE NEW STREET.

WHEREAS, the City of Franklin, Kentucky is desirous of promoting safety and developing a new city street in the area from Breckenridge Street to East Madison Street to allow for access to Franklin Elementary School

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of the City of Franklin:

1. That the Mayor is authorized to sign a letter addressed to Simpson County Judge Executive Jim Henderson allowing the Simpson County Fiscal Court to perform work on a city street and authorizing the Mayor to sign other documents necessary for the execution and development of the project.

2. That the City of Franklin accept the new street into their street inventory and perform necessary maintenance and upkeep on the street subject to final completion and approved construction.

3. That the new street being constructed be named “Little Cat Lane”.

4. That the City Project Manager, Tammie Carey, is authorized to prepare documents on behalf of the City and to administer the project.

PUBLIC SAFETY

• Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Appointment to Planning Committee for Emergency Operations Plan

City Manager, Kenton Powell, addressed the commission with a request from Simpson County Emergency Management Director, Bob Palmer. Mr. Palmer requests the City to provide a Commissioner/Representative to become a team member and assist with the development of an Emergency Operations Plan for Franklin, Simpson County. Motion made by Commissioner Dixon and second by Commissioner Barnes to authorize appointment of Commissioner Powell to become a Team Member for Emergency Operations Plan. Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried unanimously.
UTILITIES

• Discussion and/or Possible Action Regarding Fiber Optics Project

Fiber Services Manager, Tammie Carey, addressed the commission in regards to a change order for construction of fiber buildings. Mrs. Carey requested an increase in the contract time with Kenneth Simpson Construction by 21 calendar days, extending completion date to April 16, 2012. Mrs. Carey stated contract time increase is due to a delay in January while evaluating the electrical, HVAC, and generator services. Motion made by Commissioner Powell and second by Commissioner Dixon to increase contract time with Kenneth Simpson Construction for fiber optic buildings by 21 calendar days extending completion date to April 16, 2012. Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried unanimously.

Fiber Services Manager, Tammie Carey, addressed the commission in regards to a change order for network equipment and related hardware. Mrs. Carey requested additional equipment to be purchased in the amount of $23,213.00 and additional labor of $40,000 bringing the total contract price to $455,523.50. Mrs. Carey indicated after re-evaluating the equipment and taking technology changes into consideration some of the equipment in the original contract would not be needed, yet some additional devices and smaller items would need to be purchased. Mrs. Carey also requests an increase of 90 calendar days (July 15) in the contract for the equipment and 108 calendar days (October 31) for the installation. Motion made by Commissioner Barnes and second by Commissioner Powell to authorize approval of $40,000 second change order, and authorize purchase of additional network equipment and authorize the Mayor to sign any and all necessary documents (These 2 constitute the last change orders 2 and 3 in the agenda packet). Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES

• First Reading of Ordinance B2011-2012

City Clerk, Mandy Cassidy, gave first 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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Commissioner Powell and second by Commissioner Dixon to enter in to executive session for the purpose of discussion 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)). Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried unanimously at 6:55 PM. Entering executive session were Mayor Clark and the four Commissioners, City Attorney Crabtree, and City Manager Powell.

At 7:48 pm session was returned to open meeting, and motion made by Commissioner Barnes and second by Commissioner Powell to close the executive session and return to open session. Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried unanimously.
CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS
None

CITY MANAGER REPORTS
None

OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS
None

ADJOURNMENT
Motion made by Commissioner Powell and second by Commissioner Dixon to adjourn the City Commission meeting. Ayes: All those voting members present. Motion carried at 7:49PM.

Ronnie Clark, Mayor

Mandy Cassady, City Clerk

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