

The Franklin City Commission met with Simpson Fiscal Court in Joint City Commission/Simpson Fiscal Court meeting at 12:00PM on Wednesday, March 6, 2012, in the second floor meeting room of the Simpson County Court House, public square, Franklin, Kentucky. Elected Officials present were:

City of Franklin Commission

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

Simpson Fiscal Court

Honorable Judge-Ex. Jim Henderson
Magistrate Kelly Banton
Magistrate Marty Chandler
Magistrate Larry Randolph
Magistrate Blake Tarpley

Also present were City Manager, Kenton Powell; City Attorney, Scott Crabtree; Franklin Police Chief, Todd Holder; County Attorney, Sam Phillips; F.S. Planning & Zoning Representative, Joe Perry, F.S. Electrical Inspector, Robert W. Matthews; Franklin Simpson Code Enforcement Officer, Kevin Allen; City Clerk, Mandy Cassidy; Deputy Administrative Clerk, Kathy Stradtner; Fiscal Court Clerk, Pam Rohrs; F-S Human Rights Commission Representative, Donzella Lee; Franklin Municipal Utilities Public Works Director, Clif Beecher; South Central Kentucky Community and Technical College Associate Vice President of Student Affairs, Dr. James B. McCaslin, David Carver, Brian Clark and several members of the group "Neighbors Against the Quarry" and other members of the public were present. F-S High School student, Kristin Buntin was present to video tape the meeting. Member of the media Keith Pyles representing the Franklin Favorite/WFKN was also present.

At 12:00 pm, Judge-Executive Henderson and Mayor Pro-Tem, Jamie Powell called the Fiscal Court and City Commission into regular joint session. City Commissioner Larry Dixon offered an opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

HEAR THE PUBLIC

• **David Carver**

City Commission and Fiscal Court heard update and request from Franklin-Simpson citizen David Carver, a member of Neighbors Against the Quarry, regarding the proposed rock quarry location on Ditmore Ford Road. Mr. Carver stated he is proud of city and county for teamwork both bodies have illustrated but Mr. Carver requests the City Commission and Fiscal Court to make a decision regarding restrictions of weight limits and safety concerns relating to the proposed Rock Quarry on Ditmore Ford Road and Kenneth Utley Drive. Mr. Carver explained this issue has been ongoing for 13 months and would like to see some political action such as an ordinance placing restrictions on this specific road as other roads in city or county have. Judge Henderson responded to Mr. Carver regarding the passing of such ordinance. Judge Henderson shared information received from American Engineers. American Engineers performed core drillings and reported the road could deteriorate within two months if the road is subject to quarry traffic in its current state. The county has been reviewing ordinances which may be appropriate for action regarding weight limits and other restrictions. City Commissioner, Mason Barnes requested the county to forward sample ordinances the county has been reviewing and the city would place this item on the agenda for the next regularly scheduled meeting. City Attorney, Scott Crabtree, further requested the county to draft such ordinance and forward to the City Commission for review at the next regular scheduled meeting. Magistrate Marty Chandler voiced his concerns, as the road is in

his district and stated he feels the road is too dangerous for a quarry at this site and is ready to make a decision once the city is ready to proceed with a decision.

- **Brian Clark**

City Commission and Fiscal Court heard comments from Brian Clark, another member of "Neighbors Against the Quarry". Mr. Clark is concerned with the granting of the conditional use permit and questioned the qualifications and training of those on the Board of Adjustments. City Attorney, Scott Crabtree and County Attorney, Sam Phillips, responded. The attorneys were in agreement that this issue is handled by the Board of Adjustments as an independent body not governed by the city or the county and any appeals with the decisions made by the board may be taken to the circuit court level. Both attorneys also commented that training is required by members of the board.

REGULAR BUSINESS

- **Discussion and Possible Action Concerning Cartegraph, City/County Compliance Software**

City Manager, Kenton Powell, and City Public Works Director, Clif Beecher, presented Cartegraph Software to the joint bodies. Mr. Beecher stated the Water Distribution and Street department for the City of Franklin currently use the Cartegraph software and noted the amount of labor and time the city has saved since installation. Mr. Beecher thought the county may be interested in purchasing the software and utilizing it in the Planning and Zoning Department and Electrical Inspectors department. After a brief description of software highlights and utilization between departments the county had brief discussion regarding implementation with Mr. Beecher. The county currently has no software program. The cost for the software is \$40,000.00 plus an annual maintenance fee of \$1869.00. These amounts include unlimited training. No action was taken.

- **Discussion and Possible Action Concerning South Central Kentucky Community and Technical College Scholarship Partnership.**

Magistrates and Commissioners heard report and request from Dr. James McCaslin, Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs, with South Central KY Community and Technical College. Dr. McCaslin educated the city and county officials on the "On Track" program at KCTCS. This program allows qualifying high school students to obtain college level credit thru classes offered at KCTCS. Dr. McCaslin requested the county to join the partnership of five organizations which contribute \$10,000 each to help fund tuition expenses for high school students to participate in "On Track" program. No action was taken.

The joint bodies recessed at 1:48 pm and re-convened the meeting at 2:02 pm.

- **Discussion/Update on Fire Department Improvements**

County Judge Executive, Jim Henderson, gave update on Fire Department Improvements. Judge Henderson reported that two (2) additional full time fire fighters have been hired, this brings the fire department full time employees to six (6) and would like to hire two (2) additional full time employees. Judge Henderson also reported that Leslie Goodrum was promoted to Deputy Chief and Bart Stinson has been rehired as Deputy Chief. In addition, Judge Henderson was happy to report the quick response by the fire department to a recent brush fire. He encourages the city and county to continue to work together and bring forth more ideas in order to improve the current ISO rating.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and second by Commissioner Dixon to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussions 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 employee or member {KRS 61.810(f)} Ayes: All

A motion was made by Magistrate Chandler and second by Magistrate Randolph to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussions 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 employee or member {KRS 61.810(f)} Ayes: All. All those elected City and County officials present, City Manager, and both City and County Attorneys entered into executive session at 2:12 pm.

At 3:24 pm a motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and second by Commissioner Stewart to return to open session. Ayes: All

At 3:24 pm a motion was made by Magistrate Chandler and second by Magistrate Randolph to return to open session. Ayes: All

REPORTS

- Mayor and/or Judge Executive
None
- Magistrates and/or City Commissioners
None
- City Manager / City Attorney/ County Attorney
None

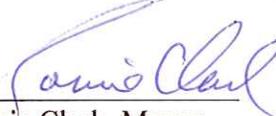
OTHER BUSINESS

None

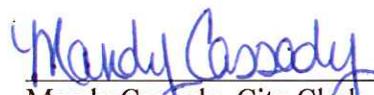
ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Commissioner Barnes and second by Commissioner Dixon to adjourn the joint City/County meeting at 3:25 pm. Ayes: All

Motion was made by Magistrate Chandler and second by Magistrate Banton to adjourn the joint City/County meeting at 3:25 pm. Ayes: All



Ronnie Clark, Mayor



Mandy Cassady, City Clerk
