The Franklin City Commission held a public hearing at 5:30 pm on Monday, May 14, 2012, in the Simpson County School Board meeting room, 430 S. College Street, Franklin, Kentucky. Attendance as follows:

Mayor Ronnie Clark                Present and in the chair presiding
Commissioner Jamie Powell        Present
Commissioner Larry Dixon         Present
Commissioner Mason Barnes        Present
Commissioner Henry Stone         Present

Also present were City Clerk, Mandy Cassady, Administrative Deputy Clerk, Kathy Stradtner, Finance Director, Cendy Dodd, Barren River Area Development District Employee, Nick Cook, Franklin Simpson Industrial Authority Director, Denny Griffin, Simpson County Judge Executive, Jim Henderson and various members of the public.

The Honorable Mayor Ronnie Clark called the public hearing to order at 5:30 pm. Barren River Area Development Employee, Nick Cook, addressed the commission and public to explain the purpose of the hearing was to inform the public on the Community Development Block Grant Program. Mr. Cook informed the City Commission and public of the funds available under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. Mr. Cook stated the objectives were to benefit low and moderate income persons by improving local economics and the economic wellbeing of the people for Kentucky. Through the Kentucky Department of Local Government and the Community Development Block Grant Program, the City of Franklin is applying for assistance to use program income generated from CDBG to assist the FS Industrial Authority to assist Franklin Precision Industries in constructing a rail spur. This will enable existing companies like Franklin Precision Industries to create more jobs for the area and should help to create up to 150 jobs. The CSX Railroad will be assisting with the project and contractors will have to meet CSX regulations.

There being no public comments to be heard, motion was made by Mayor Clark and second by Commissioner Barnes to close the public hearing. Ayes: All those members present. Motion carried at 5:40 pm.

Ronnie Clark, Mayor

Mandy Cassady, City Clerk

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