The Franklin, KY City Commission convened in special called session on Monday, October 12, 2015, in the City Hall meeting room, 117 W. Cedar Street, Franklin, Kentucky. The meeting was called to conduct an Ethics Training Session and conduct a Public Hearing as advertised. Mayor Ronnie Clark called the meeting to order at 10:00 am and City Clerk recorded 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 Chief of Police, Roger Solomon; City Clerk, Kathy Stradtner; City Personnel Director/Deputy Clerk, Rita Vaughn; City Community Development Director, Tammie Carey; Street Department Superintendent, Derick Minnicks; Water Treatment Plant Superintendent, Jerry Farmer; Water Distribution Superintendent, Cliff Beecher; Waste Water Treatment Plant Supervisor, Chris Klotter; City Tax Collector & ABC Administrator, Daniel Reetzke; F S Human Rights Commission Chair, Wanda Tuck; and Franklin Police Officer, Larry Schultz

TRAINING SESSION

Kentucky League of Cities employee Andrea Shindlebower facilitated the training session.

Mayor Clark declared the training session closed at 11:05am, and recessed the Commission until the Public Hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING

At 11:45am Mayor Clark called the City Commission back into session for the previously advertised public hearing, and declared the hearing in session to continue.

Others present included City Manager Kenton Powell; City Clerk Kathy Stradtner; City Attorney Scott Crabtree; Franklin Electric Plant Board representatives Bill Borders, John Law, Jeff Moody, Wayne Goodrum, and Franchise Nash; Franklin Electric Plant Board Attorney, David Cummins; Comcast Cable representatives Andy Macke and Amy A Traylor; and Attorney Linda Ain, representing the City in the Cable Franchise issue.

Attorney Ain moderated the public hearing and reviewed the purpose of the hearing as advertised, which is to identifying the future cable-related community needs and interest, and to review the performance of Comcast under its current franchise term with the City of Franklin, and provide an opportunity for public comment regarding and pursuant to 47 USC 546, including addressing the following items:
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- Whether Comcast has substantially complied with the material terms of the franchise and applicable law
- Whether the quality of Comcast’s service, including signal quality, response to consumer complaints and billing practices, but without regard to the mix or quality of cable services or other services provided over the system has been reasonable in light of community needs
- Whether Comcast has the financial, legal and technical ability to provide the services, facilities and equipment in any renewal proposal tendered by Comcast
- Whether any renewal proposal tendered by Comcast is reasonable to meet the future cable-related community needs and interest, taking into account the cost of meeting such needs and interests.

Comments were heard from Attorney Ain, City Attorney Crabtree, Electric Plant representatives, and Comcast Cable representatives. Mayor Clark and the Commissioners were also given the opportunity to make comments and ask questions.

As a point of information, the first and subsequent public hearings regarding this matter were held August 24, 2014, and the hearing was left open until today, October 12, 2015.

*Note: the scheduled regular City Commission meeting opened at 12:00 noon and the public hearing continued.*

After full comments from all present, Attorney Ain made final comments to recommend the hearing be finally closed, and that the City has completed the proceedings under 47 USC 546(a) and to proceed at a future date to take final action.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Commissioner Dixon and second by Commissioner Stewart, the Commission declared the public hearing finally closed at 12:34 pm. Voting aye: all. Motion carried.

*Minutes approved October 26, 2015:*

Ronnie Clark, Mayor
City of Franklin, KY

Kathy Stradtner, City Clerk
City of Franklin, KY

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