

The Franklin, KY City Commission convened in **regular session** on **Monday, October 26, 2015**, in the City Hall meeting room, 117 W. Cedar Street, Franklin, Kentucky. Mayor Ronnie Clark called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon and the City Clerk called 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 Attorney, Scott Crabtree; City Chief of Police, Roger Solomon; Franklin Police Sergeant, Charlie Drummond; Franklin Police Officers Khalis McCullon, Zach Duke, and Brian Crane; City Clerk, Kathy Stradtner; City Finance Director, Shaunna Cornwell; City Personnel Director/Deputy Clerk, Rita Vaughn; City Community Development Director, Tammie Carey; City Code Enforcement Officer, Kevin Allen; City Street Superintendent, Derick Minnicks; Franklin Simpson Human Rights Commission Representative, Donzella Lee; and media representatives from the Franklin Favorite / WFKN.

Chris Morgan, Pastor of the Franklin First United Methodist Church, offered an opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to approve the minutes as presented of the October 12, 2015 City Commission special called meeting and public hearing, and the October 12, 2015 regular City Commission meeting. Voting aye: all. Motion carried unanimously.

RECOGNITION

- Recognition was made of the Franklin-Simpson Middle School Cross Country team who placed first at the recent Hardin County meet.
- Recognition of Business That Has Been Established for Fifty Years

Mayor Clark presented a key to the City to Lester Key in recognition of the Key Oil Company celebrating being in business for fifty years, opening in 1965. The company has over one-hundred fifty employees and is a long time contributor to the economic success of our community.

- Recognition of Franklin Police Officers For Outstanding Service and Dedication

Police Chief Solomon presented the Community Service award to Franklin Police Sergeant Charlie Drummond: an individual driving through our community on his way to Tampa Florida witnessed the compassion shown by Officer Drummond to a homeless individual when the officer personally paid for a hot bath and meal for the citizen. Chief Solomon was impressed and wanted to recognize this demonstration of community caring exhibited by Sergeant Drummond

Chief Solomon presented a Community Service Award to Franklin Police Officer Brian Crane. Officer Crane graduated from the academy in March, and has consistently gone above and beyond the normal call of duty with his professional and considerate manner, and has shown great sensitivity when performing his duties and interacting with the citizens.

During our country's present climate of hearing so much that is wrong with law enforcement in general, Chief Solomon is very impressed with the many positive reports he has received regarding the Franklin Police Department and wants to take the opportunity to share with the public the positive things happening in the Franklin Police Department.

- Swearing In of Newest Franklin Police Officers

City Attorney Crabtree called the two newest Franklin Police officers to come and be given the oath of office. Police Cadets Khalis McCullon and Zachary Duke have been hired, and will be attending the State Police Academy as soon as possible.

- City of Franklin Awarded Certified City of Ethics

City Manager Kenton Powell took the opportunity to share that the City of Franklin officials and staff have completed the City Ethics Training, and because of those efforts, has been recognized by the Kentucky League of Cities as a *Certified City of Ethics*. Franklin is one of only eight cities in Kentucky to be so recognized. The City Manager expressed his appreciation to the Commissions for investing the time and effort to complete the training, and provide the mechanism to resolve complaints and increase public trust and confidence in our city government.

HEAR THE PUBLIC

No business

REGULAR BUSINESS

COMMUNITY SERVICES

- Discussion and Possible Action — Appointments to P&Z Board of Adjustments

City Manager Powell discussed the members of the Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustments: Mr. Ray Malchow is unable to complete his term on the Board, and the term of the other City appointee, Dan Coates, will be expiring on December 31 of this year. During discussion it was noted that during the ongoing review of the F S Planning & Zoning, it has been discovered that over the years, member terms have gotten skewed and need to be adjusted so that no more than two board members' terms expire during the same year. Following discussion, **motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commission Barnes to accept the resignation of Ray Malchow from the F S Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustments and appoint Mike Simpson, to fill the remainder of that term as well as to an additional two years, total term to expire December 31, 2017, and additionally to re-appointment Mr. Daniel Coates to another full term on the Board of Adjustments, such term ending December 31, 2019. Voting aye: all. Motion carried unanimously.**

- Discussion and Possible Action — Condemnation Process

Code Enforcement Officer Kevin Allen discussed with the Commission the Code Enforcement condemnation and demolition properties marked for 2015. Twelve properties which have numerous code violations and are no habitable have been condemned and n are scheduled for demolition after November 15. During discussion it was noted that the condemnation and demolition program of properties that are a threat to the community and our citizens, is funded by the Abandoned Urban Property program and the fees imposed on property owners that have abandoned and code violation properties they do not take care of.

- Discussion and Possible Action — Halloween Trick or Treat Hours

Staff contacted area cities regarding their trick or treat hours this year and also solicited the opinion of the Franklin Police Department regarding the Halloweens Trick or Treat Hours to be set in the City. **Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Powell to set the hours for trick or treating in the city limits of Franklin for Saturday, October 31 during the hours of 4:00 pm to 7:00pm. Voting aye: all. Motion carried unanimously.**

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

- Presentation by Kentucky League of Cities Community Development Advisory, Bobbie Bryant, regarding City Strategic Planning

City Manager Powell recently attended the Kentucky League of Cities (KLC) conference in Owensboro Kentucky and one item he wanted to share with the Commission was the Community Strategic Planning program offered by KLC. Ms. Bobbie Bryant, KLC's Community Development Advisor, was present to discuss the program and the aim to create an overall vision and mission for Cities; to create a specific visions and goal for economics, infrastructure, neighborhood planning and/or restorations, as well as Downtown renewal, Parks revitalization, etc., and involves input from he officials, but more importantly from our citizens. Mr. Bryant explained the process to partner with KLC for the development of a strategic plan for Franklin. The Commission expressed some interest in the plan, which is estimated to be \$12 to \$15,000 to implement. The Board of Commissions thanked Ms. Bryant for coming and will be discussing during their coming budget work sessions.

- Discussion and Possible Action — FY15 Unaudited City Financial Performance Review

Finance Director Cornwell took a few minutes to discuss the City's fiscal year 2015 financial performance and the audit that is scheduled to begin next week. Mrs. Cornwell discussed each company within the financials, and some of the highlights of the actual revenues and expenses.

PUBLIC SERVICES

- Discussion and Possible Action – Street Assessment Regarding Creekside Drive

A request has been received from Jeff Zeman, owner of Creekside Apartments, to dedicate Creekside Drive as a public street. Street Department Supervisor Derick Minnick shared that earlier in the year the new owners of the Creekside apartments contacted him for instruction to complete this street in a manner that would be acceptable to the City. Mr. Minnick stated the street has now been completed to City specification, and recommend the City accept the Creekside Drive that is located off Filter Plant Road in the northeast section of the City. **Motion was made by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to accept the dedication of Creekside Drive, which is located off Filter Plant Road in the north each section of the City of Franklin, as a public street and accept for maintenance by the City of Franklin. Voting aye: all. Motion carried unanimously.**

PUBLIC SAFETY

- Discussion and Possible Action – Police Department Amended Policies and Procedures

Police Chief Solomon presented, and City Attorney Crabtree reviewed, three new amendments to the Franklin Police Policies and Procedures. As the department gets closer to being accredited, several items in the procedures need to be fine-tuned. **Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to approve Section 2, Chapter 7 Pursuits, Section 2, Chapter 16 Juveniles and Section 2, Chapter 28, Radio Communications as presented and amended for inclusion in the Franklin Police Department Policies and Procedures Manual. Voting aye: all. Motion carried unanimously.**

UTILITIES

- Discussion and Possible Action – Repaving Drive and Parking Lot of Waste Water Treatment Plant

The current city budget includes \$20,000 for repaving of the drive and parking lot at the Water Treatment Plant. The City Manager included three quotes received for the work.

<u>Quote Received From</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<i>Triple K Construction, INC</i>	<i>\$32,087</i>
<i>Scotty's</i>	<i>\$25,000</i>
<i>Charles Dewese Construction INC</i>	<i>\$21,789</i>

After speaking at length with Street Department Superintendent Derick Minnick, staff recommends the repaving for the WTP be awarded to Charles Dewese. **Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to award the repaving contract for the Water Treatment Plant drive and parking lot to Charles Dewese at the quoted price of \$21,789, and authorize the Mayor to sign any documents necessary on behalf of the City per this motion. Voting aye: all. Motion carried unanimously.**

ORDINANCES

- **Second Reading of Ordinance Number 2015-013 Regarding Operation of Electric Cards on City Streets**

City Clerk gave second summary reading to City Ordinance # 2015-013 permitting the operation of golf carts on city streets and providing limitations for that use. **Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Powell to adopt Ordinance No 2015-013 upon this second reading and subsequent publication. Roll Call Vote: Mayor Ronnie Clark, Yes; Commissioner Mason Barnes, Yes; Commission Larry Dixon, Yes; Commissioner Jamie Powell, Yes; Commission Wendell Stewart, Yes. Motion carried and ordinance adopted unanimously.**

- **Second Reading of Ordinance Number 2015-016 Regarding RKW Dana Films Expansion Incentive**

City Clerk gave second summary reading to City Ordinance# 2015-016 regarding the KBI incentive for RKW Dana films expansion. **Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to adopt Ordinance No 2015-016 upon this second reading and subsequent publication. Roll Call Vote: Mayor Ronnie Clark, Yes; Commissioner Mason Barnes, Yes; Commission Larry Dixon, Yes; Commissioner Jamie Powell, Yes; Commission Wendell Stewart, Yes. Motion carried and ordinance adopted unanimously**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to enter executive session for the purposes of LAND ACQUISITION – Deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property by a public agency where publicity would be likely to affect the value of a specific piece of property to be acquired for public use or sold by a public agency {KRS 61.810 (b)}, LITIGATION – Discussion of proposed or pending litigation {KRS 61.810(c)}, PERSONNEL – Discussions or hearings which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee or member {KRS 61.810 (f)}, and BUSINESS – Discussions between a public agency and a representative of a business entity concerning a specific proposal, where open discussions would jeopardize the siting, retention, expansion, or upgrading of the business {KRS 61.810(g)}. Voting aye: all. Motion carried unanimously at 1:19 pm. Entering executive session were the Mayor, four Commissioners, City Manager Powell, and City Attorney Crabtree.

At 1:56pm motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to exit the closed session and return to open session. Voting aye: all. Motion carried unanimously.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS

No business

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

No business

OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS

The Board of Commissions extended their deepest condolences to Franklin Police Officer Vickie Kristiansen and her son Logan; Their husband and father, Jon Kristiansen, was killed in a car accident.

The Commissioners wished all the trick or treaters a safe and happy Halloween.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and second by Commissioner Stewart to adjourn the City Commission meeting. Voting aye: all. Motion carried unanimously at 2:00 pm.

Approved the 9th day of November, 2015



Ronnie Clark, Mayor



Kathy Stradtner, City Clerk
