

**MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION  
OF THE  
CITY OF FRANKLIN  
CITY COMMISSION**

**March 14, 2022**

**City Hall  
117 West Cedar Street  
Franklin, Kentucky**

The Franklin, Kentucky City Commission met in Regular Session at 12:00 Noon, Monday, **March 14, 2022**, in the City Hall meeting room located at 117 West Cedar Street, Franklin, Kentucky.

Members attending were as follows:

Mayor Larry Dixon	Present
Commissioner Jamie Powell	Present
Commissioner Herbert Williams	Present
Commissioner Brownie Bennett	Present
Commissioner Wendell Stewart	Present

Others present included City Manager Kenton Powell; City Attorney Scott Crabtree; City Personnel Director/Deputy Clerk, Rita Vaughn; City Assistant Finance Director Daniel Reetzke; City Police Chief, Roger Solomon; Public Works Director Chris Klotter; City Clerk, Cathy Dillard; Cortney Travelstead, Customer Service Representative; Trent Coffee, Wastewater Superintendent; Tammie Carey, Community Development Director; Keith Pyles, Franklin Favorite/WFKN; Tammie McCorry and Debby Helton, Live the Proof; Eric Walker, Franklin Community Church; Jolie Brown, Executive Director Housing Authority of Franklin; Pete Reckard, Scott Waste Services; and Amanda East, Crocker & Crocker, Attorneys at Law.

Mayor Dixon called the meeting to order at 12:00 Noon, and Eric Walker offered the opening prayer.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the minutes as presented of the Franklin City Commission February 28, 2022, Regular Meeting and the March 1, 2022, Special Called Joint City/County Meeting.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Mayor Dixon introduced Jolie Brown, Executive Director of the Housing Authority of Franklin. Mrs. Brown provided the Commission with an update of improvements in HUD scoring for the Housing Authority units and outdoor amenities. Scores have consistently improved since 2011 and Housing Authority of Franklin has been designed a "high performing agency" by HUD. She thanked the City Commission for their continued support of the Housing Authority of Franklin with its efforts to provide affordable housing to the citizens of Franklin and Simpson County.

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Commissioner Stewart exited the meeting at 12:30 PM.

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Pete Reckard of Scott Waste Services provided the Commission with an update regarding issues related to trash pickup. Reckard indicated that Scott Waste was continuing to struggle with personnel issues due to Covid and was committed to providing an employee that knows the routes in Franklin and was willing to meet the needs of our residents. Reckard said they are now caught up with delayed pick ups and hopes to continue to be on track with trash and recycling pick up issues.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

Community Development Director Tammie Carey asked the Commission to consider approval to reappoint Tom Moody and Susan Hughes to the Historic Preservation Committee for another three (3) year term to expire on April 30, 2025.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the reappointment of Tom Moody and Susan Hughes to the Historic Preservation Committee for another three (3) year term to expire on April 30, 2025.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

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Assistant City Finance Director Daniel Reetzke provided the Commission with proposed revisions to the fiscal year 2021-2022 operating budget and asked for two sponsors for the third budget amendment ordinance. Commissioner Powell and Commissioner Williams asked to sponsor the proposed ordinance with first reading taking place during the ordinance portion of the meeting.

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City Attorney Scott Crabtree asked Amanda East from Crocker & Crocker to provide information regarding the request to revoke a Subdivision Plat for property located on West Madison Street and McClendon Road owned by Dan and Esther Schmucker. Mr. and Mrs. Schmucker platted a subdivision known as Willowbrook Village Subdivision but never developed the subdivision. The F-S Planning & Zoning Commission approved the revocation of the subdivision plat but the statute requires authorization from the City of Franklin.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Williams to authorize the Mayor to sign a letter to the F-S Planning & Zoning Commission acknowledging the City of Franklin’s approval of revocation of the existing subdivision plat known as Willowbrook Village Subdivision.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

City Attorney Scott Crabtree asked the Commission to consider the proposed ordinance approving an interlocal agreement with the County for the placement, operation and maintenance of a radio communication system and tower for use by the City and County. Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Powell asked to sponsor the proposed ordinance, first reading took place during the ordinance portion of the meeting.

City Attorney Scott Crabtree asked the Commission to consider a proposed ordinance rezoning property located on Macedonia Road and Highway 1008 owned by Caliber Contracting, LLC. The F-S Planning & Zoning Commission previously approved the zone change request of the property. Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Powell asked to sponsor the proposed ordinance, first reading took place during the ordinance portion of the meeting.

City Attorney Scott Crabtree asked the Commission to consider the proposed ordinance approving an agreement between the City and Kentucky Downs, LLC. Commissioner Williams and Commissioner Powell asked to sponsor the proposed ordinance, first emergency reading took place during the ordinance portion of the meeting.

**ORDINANCES**

City Clerk Cathy Dillard held second summary reading of the following ordinance:

Ordinance No. 2022-007 titled: *An Ordinance Adopting New and Amended Subdivision Regulations for the City of Franklin, Kentucky*

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to adopt Ordinance No. 2022-007 and was approved by the following roll call vote:

Mayor Dixon	<u>Yes</u>	Commissioner Bennett	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Powell	<u>Yes</u>	Commissioner Stewart	<u>Absent</u>
Commissioner Williams	<u>Yes</u>		

City Clerk Cathy Dillard held first summary reading of the following ordinance:

Ordinance No. 2022-008 titled: *An Ordinance Rezoning Land Located on the East Side of Harding Road and the South Side of Macedonia Road as Follows: Approximately 36.61 Acres*

*from AG (Agriculture) to R1-S (Single Family Residential) Based Upon a Recommendation by the Planning and Zoning Commission from a Petition Filed by Caliber Contracting, LLC*

Ordinance No. 2022-009 titled: *An Ordinance Amending the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2021, and Ending June 30, 2022, By Estimating Revenues and Appropriations*

Ordinance No. 2022-010 titled: *An Ordinance of the City of Franklin, Kentucky Approving an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for the Placement, Operation, and Maintenance of a Radio Communication System and Tower for the City of Franklin and Simpson County, Kentucky*

No action was taken on first reading of these ordinances.

Emergency First Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-011 titled: *Ordinance Approving an Agreement Between the City of Franklin, Kentucky and Kentucky Downs, LLC; Authoring The Mayor to Sign the Agreement and Declaring an Emergency to Exist*

Motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Williams to adopt Ordinance No. 2022-011 and was approved by the following roll call vote:

Mayor Dixon	<u>Yes</u>	Commissioner Bennett	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Powell	<u>Yes</u>	Commissioner Stewart	<u>Absent</u>
Commissioner Williams	<u>Yes</u>		

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 1:08 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of: (1) 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(1)(b)}; (2) Litigation – Discussion of proposed or pending litigation {KRS 61.810(1)(c)}; (3) 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(1)(g)}; and, (4) Personnel – Discussions or hearings which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee or member {KRS 61.810(1)(f)}.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

Entering Executive Session were Mayor Dixon; Commissioners Powell, Bennett, Williams and Stewart; City Manager Kenton Powell; and City Attorney Scott Crabtree and Assistant Finance Director Daniel Reetzke. Reetzke exited Executive Session at 1:28 PM. Community Development Director Tammie Carey entered Executive Session at 1:29 PM. Carey exited Executive Session at 1:49 PM

At 2:23 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Williams to exit Executive Session and return to open session.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

**OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS**

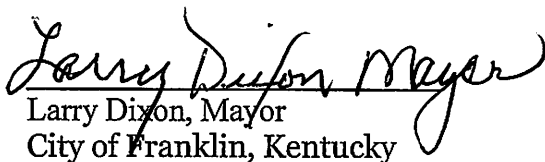
Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve closing a portion of South College Street on Saturday, March 19, 2022, from 9:30 AM until 11:00 AM for the Kids on the Block Shamrock Sprint contingent on the organization notifying residents of South College Street no later than Wednesday, March 18, 2022.

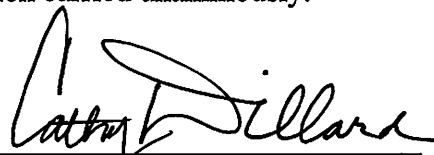
Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 2:30 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Williams to adjourn the regular meeting of the Franklin City Commission.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

  
Larry Dixon, Mayor  
City of Franklin, Kentucky

  
Cathy Dillard, City Clerk  
City of Franklin, Kentucky