

**MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL CALLED SESSION
OF THE
CITY OF FRANKLIN
CITY COMMISSION**

November 16, 2018

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

The Franklin, Kentucky City Commission met in Special Called Session at 12:15 PM, Friday, **November 16, 2018**, in the City Hall meeting room located at 117 West Cedar Street, Franklin, Kentucky.

Members attending were as follows:

Mayor Ronnie Clark	Present
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 Clerk, Cathy Dillard; City Finance Director, Shaunna Cornwell; City Personnel Director/Deputy Clerk, Rita Vaughn; Franklin Favorite/WFKN media representative, Keith Pyles.

Mayor Ronnie Clark called the meeting to order at 12:15 PM, and offered an opening prayer.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Mayor Clark asked the Commission to consider the possible purchase of property located at 501 and 600-604 West Madison Street which will be sold at public auction by the Simpson County Master Commissioner. Mayor Clark asked City Attorney Scott Crabtree to provide additional information regarding the possible purchase of these properties.

City Attorney Scott Crabtree informed the Commission that the City has been attempting for the past few years to have the property located at 501 West Madison Street cleaned up and made free of violations of our local code enforcement ordinances. The property located at 501 West Madison Street currently has numerous stacks of old pallets, wood scraps, old equipment and appears to be unsafe. Furthermore, the City receives numerous complaints from citizens regarding the property.

In an effort to alleviate the blighted condition of the property, the City of Franklin, by and through its Board of Commissioners, has an interest in purchasing the property at the public auction which is scheduled to take place today at 2:00 PM at the Justice Center.

The property located at 600-604 West Madison Street is a structurally sound block building with an office and a large garage door which could be utilized by the City for various purposes. The City of Franklin, by and through its Board of Commissioners, also has an interest in purchasing the property at the public auction which is scheduled to take place today at 2:00 PM at the Justice Center.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 12:25 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of: Land Acquisition which includes the deliberations on the future acquisition of real property by the City where publicity of the price would likely affect the value of a specific piece of property or properties to be acquired for public use and to discuss bidding strategies regarding the purchase of the properties located on West Madison Street. This exception to the Open Meetings requirement is being made pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(b).

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Entering Executive Session were Mayor Clark, Commissioners Dixon, Powell, Barnes, and Stewart; City Manager Kenton Powell; City Attorney Scott Crabtree; and, City Finance Director Shaunna Cornwell.

At 12:38 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Powell to exit Executive Session and return to open session.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to authorize City Attorney Scott Crabtree to bid on the properties located at 501 West Madison Street and 600-604 West Madison Street, both in Franklin, Kentucky, with the bidding amounts to be consistent with the discussions of the Board of Commissioners which were held in Executive Session on this date.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to authorize City Attorney Scott Crabtree to sign any and all documents on behalf of the City at or after the Master Commissioner sale held on November 16, 2018, if the City is the successful bidder including, but not limited to, a sales contract and/or bond forms to commit

to the purchase of the properties located at 501 West Madison Street and 600-604 West Madison Street on behalf of the City of Franklin, Kentucky, which shall ultimately be titled in the name of the City of Franklin, Kentucky.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Powell to authorize City Manager Kenton Powell and City Finance Director Shaunna Cornwell to sign a check to pay any and all amounts required by the Master Commissioner for funding the purchase of the properties as stated in the previous motions, up to the amount of the bidding discussions held in Executive Session on November 16, 2018, if the City is the successful bidder.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

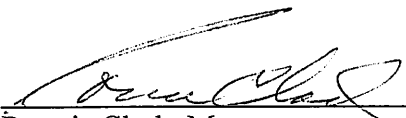
Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to authorize and approve Franklin Bank & Trust Company to act as surety on the bond in the event the City of Franklin is the successful bidder for the properties.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.


ADJOURNMENT

At 12:42 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Powell to adjourn the special called session of the Franklin City Commission.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.



Ronnie Clark, Mayor
City of Franklin, Kentucky



Cathy Dillard, City Clerk
City of Franklin, Kentucky