

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

October 12, 2020

**City Hall
117 West Cedar Street
Franklin, Kentucky
(Pursuant to Senate Bill 150)**

The Franklin, Kentucky City Commission met in Regular Session at 12:00 Noon, Monday, **October 12, 2020**, 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 Police Chief, Roger Solomon; City Clerk, Cathy Dillard; Planning & Zoning Administrator, Carter Munday; Bicentennial Committee Chairman, Lisa Deavers; and Officer John Thompson and his family.

Mayor Dixon called the meeting to order at 12:00 Noon, and Commissioner Jamie Powell offered the opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve the minutes as presented of the September 28, 2020, regular meeting of the Franklin City Commission.

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

RECOGNITIONS

Franklin Police Chief Roger Solomon introduced Officer John Thompson as the departments most recently hired officer. City Attorney Scott Crabtree swore in Officer Thompson and the Commission thanked him for his service to our community.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Carter Munday, F-S Planning & Zoning Administrator, provided the Commission with a year over year overview and comparison of the F-S Planning & Zoning Commission's activities. Munday reported that the number of permits issued had almost doubled since last year and new home permits has increased over 88% since last year with revenue from permit fees increasing approximately 72% during this same time period. At this time there are over 227 new home 116 multi-family (apartment) permits pending.

Discussion was held regarding affordable housing for Franklin residents versus low income housing availability. Munday indicated that the current housing market trends determines affordability and demand for housing continues to rise.

No action was taken by the Commission regarding this discussion.

Bicentennial Committee Chairman Lisa Deavers provided the Commission with an update regarding the upcoming 200 Mile Bicentennial Relay Run. The Relay kicks off on Friday, November 20, 2020, in Frankfort and ends on Saturday, November 21, 2020, in Franklin and covers 200 miles. The Relay will be run by 12 teams who will carry and pass a baton containing a proclamation from the Governor commemorating the City of Franklin's 200 birthday. Upon arrival in Franklin, the proclamation will be read by Mayor Dixon.

No action was taken by the Commission regarding this discussion.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

City Attorney Scott Crabtree presented the Commission with a proposed ordinance for a zone change request for property located on Brown Road from B-2 (highway business) to I-2 (heavy industry.) The zone change was approved by the Franklin-Simpson Planning & Zoning Commission on October 6, 2020.

Commissioner Powell and Commissioner Stewart asked to sponsor the proposed ordinance with first reading taking place during the ordinance portion of the meeting.

PUBLIC SAFETY

City Attorney Scott Crabtree asked the Commission to consider approval of amendments to the Franklin Police Department Policies and Procedures Manual. The sections amended were as follows:

- Section 1, Chapter 5 – Direction
- Section 1, Chapter 7 – General Management
- Section 1, Chapter 9 – Promotions
- Section 1, Chapter 10 - Training
- Section 1, Chapter 20 – Department Property Management and Inventory Control
- Section 1, Chapter 23 – Vehicle Maintenance and Care

Section 1, Chapter 25 – Firearms – Care, Usage, Maintenance
Section 1, Chapter 26 – Budgeting
Section 1, Chapter 27 – Hiring Process
Section 1, Chapter 29 – Supervisory Accountability

Motion was made by Commissioner Bennett seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve and adopt the amendments to the above-referenced Franklin Police Department Policies and Procedures Manual.

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

ORDINANCES

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

Ordinance No. 2020-016 titled: An Ordinance Rezoning 4.00 Acres (Consisting of Two Tracts) Located on Brown Road and Kentucky Highway 1008 From B-4 (Highway Business) to I-2 (Heavy Industrial) by Gail H. Manning, Trustee of the James A. Manning and Gail A. Manning Revocable Trust

No action is taken on first reading of an ordinance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 12:48 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Powell to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of:

LITIGATION – Discussion of proposed or pending litigation {KRS 61.810(1)(c)}

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. Motion carried unanimously.

Entering Executive Session were Mayor Dixon; Commissioners Powell, Bennett, Williams and Stewart; City Manager Kenton Powell; and City Attorney Scott Crabtree.

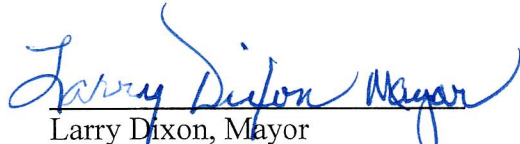
At 1:40 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to exit Executive Session and return to open session.


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

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:41 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to adjourn the regular meeting of the Franklin City Commission.

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


Larry Dixon, Mayor
City of Franklin, Kentucky


Cathy Dillard, City Clerk
City of Franklin, Kentucky