

**FRANKLIN CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 4, 2018**

Members of the Franklin City Council met in regular session on Monday, June 4, 2018, 6:00 P.M. at the Franklin City Building.

Roll call showed:

Denny Centers	present
Paul Ruppert	absent
Brent Centers	present
Todd Hall	present
Michael Aldridge	present
Debby Fouts	present
Matt Wilcher	present

Also present: Mr. Steve Inman, Public Works Director; Mr. Barry Conway, City Engineer; Mr. Russ Whitman, Police Chief; Mr. Ross Coulton, Assistant Safety Director; Mrs. Amy Miller, Acting Finance Director; Mrs. Karisa Steed, Assistant to the City Manager; Mr. Sonny Lewis, City Manager and Mrs. Jane McGee, Clerk of Council.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Steve Inman.

Mr. D. Centers made the motion to accept the Clerk's Journal and Accept the Tapes as the Official Minutes of the May 21, 2018 regular meeting; seconded by Mr. Aldridge. The vote:

Mr. Ruppert	absent
Mr. B. Centers	yes
Mayor Hall	yes
Mr. Aldridge	yes
Mrs. Fouts	yes
Mr. Wilcher	yes
Mr. D. Centers	yes

Motion passed.

Mr. Aldridge made the motion to approve the Clerk's Journal and accept the Tapes as the Official Minutes of the February 24, 2018 Special Meeting; seconded Mr. Wilcher. The vote:

Mr. B. Centers	yes
Mayor Hall	yes
Mr. Aldridge	yes
Mrs. Fouts	yes
Mr. Wilcher	yes
Mr. D. Centers	yes
Mr. Ruppert	absent

RECEPTION OF VISITORS

Mr. Keith Kash stated there were a lot of comments about speeding on Facebook today and that's why he came to tonight's meeting. He thought there would be a lot of people here - no one was present. Council and staff are unaware of any concerns. Mr. Lewis explained if we get complaints, we put out the speeding sign and patrol the area.

PUBLIC HEARING ORDINANCE 2018-09 AMENDING CHAPTER 919, SECTION 919.01 SEWER RENTAL, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, OHIO

Mr. Inman stated this increases sewer rates over a 5 year period by 7 per cent each year. The first increase, effective August 1, 2018, is \$12.27 per 333 cu. ft. (current rate is \$11.47 per cu. ft.). We are in need of revenue as we are losing money in the Sewer Fund, due to losing several big businesses & the Veolia plant upgrade. This should enable us to maintain services. This will also be included in the COLA. This has been presented to the Finance & Public Works Council Committees and they agreed with it.

Mayor Hall opened the Public Hearing and asked for any Council comments. There being none, he closed the Public Hearing.

Mr. D. Centers made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-09; seconded by Mr. Aldridge. The vote:

Mayor Hall	yes
Mr. Aldridge	yes
Mrs. Fouts	yes
Mr. Wilcher	yes
Mr. D. Centers	yes
Mr. Ruppert	absent
Mr. B. Centers	yes

Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING ORDINANCE 2018-10 AMENDING SECTION 1701.03, APPENDIX A, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, OHIO, TITLED "RATE AND FEE SCHEDULE", SUBSECTION SEWER RENTAL & SURCHARGES

Mr. Inman stated that this adds the sewer rate increase to the Cola Rate & Fee Schedule. The rate will be increased by the COLA rate which is done in March.

Mayor Hall opened the Public Hearing and asked for any Council comments. There being none, he closed the Public Hearing.

Mr. Wilcher made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-10; seconded by Mrs. Fouts. The vote:

Mr. Aldridge	yes
Mrs. Fouts	yes
Mr. Wilcher	yes
Mr. D. Centers	yes
Mr. Ruppert	absent
Mr. B. Centers	yes
Mayor Hall	yes

Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING ORDINANCE 2018-11 LEVYING ASSESSMENTS FOR SIDEWALKS, CURBS AND GUTTERS FOR THE ANNUAL SIDEWALK REPAIR PROGRAM, PHASE 2

Mr. Conway stated that this is the final step of the Annual Sidewalk Program, Phase 2. This Ordinance will place assessments for the sidewalk work done by the City last year on the property taxes of those properties. Any assessments not paid by August 31, 2018, will be certified to the County Auditor for collection over a five year period. Letters will be sent to the property owners listed on Exhibit A letting them know the amount of the assessment and that they have until August 31, 2018 to pay it in full.

Mr. Lewis noted that we haven't had any problems this time (as we did last time). Mr. D. Centers stated that he's received positive comments.

Mr. Lewis stated that the sidewalk replacement program will be included with the street program, after we complete this first round of repairs.

Mayor Hall opened the Public Hearing and asked for any Council comments. There being none, he closed the Public Hearing.

Mr. Aldridge made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-11; seconded by Mr. Wilcher. The vote:

Mrs. Fouts	yes
Mr. Wilcher	yes
Mr. D. Centers	yes
Mr. Ruppert	absent
Mr. B. Centers	yes
Mayor Hall	yes
Mr. Aldridge	yes

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2018-36 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT A NATUREWORKS GRANT APPLICATION TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN

Mr. Conway stated that the grant amount was lowered this year. This authorizes the City to apply for a NatureWorks Grant to install kiosk, shelter, benches, trees and other amenities at the Baxter Drive Trailhead on the Great Miami River Trail. The cost of the project is estimated at \$25,000; with the City's share \$6,250.00. Mr. Lewis explained that we originally were going to apply for filters at the pool. The filters will be very expensive and with the amount lowered, we decided not to apply for them.

Mr. B. Centers made the motion to adopt; seconded by Mr. Aldridge. The vote

Mr. Wilcher	yes
Mr. D. Centers	yes
Mr. Ruppert	absent
Mr. B. Centers	yes
Mayor Hall	yes
Mr. Aldridge	yes
Mrs. Fouts	yes

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2018-37 AWARDING THE BID AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT WITH BARRETT PAVING MATERIALS, INC. FOR THE 2018 MUNICIPAL PAVING PROJECT

Mr. Conway stated that the following bids were received at the May 31, 2018 bid opening:

Barrett Paving Materials, Inc.	\$289,694.50
JK Meurer Corporation	\$317,918.50
John R. Jurgensen Co.	\$337,797.00

The following streets are included in the project: Argile Ct. from Arlington Ave. to south terminus; Graham Dr. from SR 123 to south terminus; Hemlock St. from Virginia Ave. to Arlington Ave.; Normal Dr. from Virginia Ave. to north terminus; Skokiaan Drive, from E. Second St. to north terminus and Stadia Drive, from E. Second St. to Arlington Ave.

Mr. Conway stated we are recommending to award the bid to Barrett Paving Materials, Inc. The estimated project cost is \$340,000.00.

Mayor Hall asked if the Hemlock intersection is being done. Mr. Conway stated we'll look at it.

Mr. Wilcher made the motion to adopt; seconded by Mr. Aldridge. The vote:

Mr. D. Centers yes
Mr. Ruppert absent
Mr. B. Centers yes
Mayor Hall yes
Mr. Aldridge yes
Mrs. Fouts yes
Mr. Wilcher yes

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2018-38 AWARDING THE BID AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH R.A. MILLER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. FOR THE 2018 SIDEWALK REPAIR ROJECT

Mr. Conway stated the following bids for the 2018 sidewalk repair project were received at the May 31, 2018 bid opening:

R.A. Miller Construction Company, LLC	\$216,775
Fillmore Construction LLC	\$217,750
Prus Construction Company	\$225,625
Adleta Construction Inc.	\$252,660

Mr. Conway stated that the estimated project cost is \$230,000 and we are recommending to award the bid to R.A. Miller Construction Company.

Mr. D. Centers made the motion to adopt; seconded by Mr. Aldridge. The vote:

Mr. Ruppert absent
Mr. B. Centers yes
Mayor Hall yes
Mr. Aldridge yes
Mrs. Fouts yes
Mr. Wilcher yes
Mr. D. Centers yes

Motion passed.

INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION

Mayor Hall introduced the following legislation. The Public Hearing will be held at the June 18, 2018 meeting.

Ordinance 2018-12 Determining to Proceed with the Improvement of City Streets and Public Ways by Lighting thereof for the Year 2019

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Lewis reported on the following:

- The Farmers Market opened June 2nd and also had 'Community Days' in conjunction with the River Ride.

- The moratorium on the marijuana legislation has expired - consensus is to bring it back.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Wilcher thanked Peggy for her help with the Farmer’s Market and thanks to Mr. Inman, Mr. Conway and Mr. Lewis on the pool improvements. Chief Whitman added a follow-up on speeders - the speed sign is put up first and then we put a patrol officer there to write tickets.

Mr. Conway added about the rough concrete at the pool – we are looking at and will take care of it.

Mr. D. Centers thanked staff for landscaping the interchange, mulch looks good. At Cohens, there are weeds, trees etc., busting thru the fence and also parked vehicles. Mr. Lewis stated he will call them and have it taken care of. Mr. D. Centers added, about the recent bank robbery, don’t understand why they keep robbing the same bank.

Mrs. Fouts stated the ‘no parking signs’ on Millard Drive have made a big difference, as there was a concert at JD Legends this past weekend. Also, she’d like to advertise the pool on her Facebook page and would like to have the attendance and number of passes for the pool from the past several seasons.

Mr. Aldridge welcomed Karisa.

Mr. B. Centers welcomed Karisa; the parade went well and condolences to Mr. Bray with his Mother’s recent passing. He recently met with Reddi Cincinnati about a business looking for a business site and briefly explained the process. He would like to have the Economic Development Council Committee meet with them so Reddi Cincinnati can explain the process. Mr. Lewis stated he was aware of that business inquiry and we didn’t have anything that met their standards. He explained the process that is used for economic development, thru Reddi Cincinnati. Also, he has contacted Schumacher Dugan and Henkle Schueler about registering their property with them. Mr. Lewis added he doesn’t think a meeting is needed and he will provide an update. Mr. B. Centers added he’s glad to see the Green Point Metals expansion.

Mayor Hall thanked Mr. Inman and Mr. Conway for their work at the Pool – appreciate and it’s 100% better than before. The Memorial Day Parade was great and we need to be planning on how to handle it after Mr. Mears can’t do it. Also, changing the date for pictures – will be the last meeting in July (July 16) and will also have the City update then.

Mr. Aldridge made the motion to adjourn; seconded Mrs. Fouts. The vote:

Mr. B. Centers	yes
Mayor Hall	yes
Mr. Aldridge	yes
Mrs. Fouts	yes
Mr. Wilcher	yes
Mr. Centers	yes
Mr. Ruppert	absent

Motion passed.

Mayor Hall adjourned the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Todd Hall, Mayor

Jane McGee, Clerk of Council