

**FRANKLIN CITY COUNCIL
JULY 1, 2019**

Members of the Franklin City Council met in regular session on Monday, July 1, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the Franklin City Building.

Roll call showed:

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

There were two visitors at tonight's meeting and no press. Also present: Mr. Barry Conway, City Engineer; Mr. Steve Inman, Public Works Director; Mrs. Lynnette Dinkler, Law Director; Mrs. Cindy Ryan, Finance Director; Johnathan Westendorf, Fire Chief; Ross Coulton, Assistant Safety Director; Mr. Sonny Lewis, City Manager and Mrs. Jane McGee, Clerk of Council.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Lynnette Dinkler.

Mr. Aldridge made the motion to approve the Clerk's Journal and accept the tapes as the Official Minutes of the June 17, 2019, Regular Meeting; seconded by Mr. Wilcher. The vote:

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

Motion passed.

RECEPTION OF VISITORS

There were no visitor remarks.

RESOLUTION 2019-36 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT FINAL APPLICATION FOR THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION'S STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS, AS REQUIRED, FOR PROGRAM YEAR 2020 (PY34) FOR THE NORTH DIXIE DRIVE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Mr. Conway stated that OPWC Issue II operates on a two year cycle and the applications are due in July. The pre-application was done last year. This is the final application for the North Dixie Drive Improvement Project for funding in 2020 and we are proposing a 51% local match. This is to grind and repave North Dixie Drive from the Kenneth Koons Drive to the north Corporation line. The estimated project cost is \$734,000.00 and the local match would be \$374,000.00.

Mr. B. Centers made the motion to adopt Resolution 2019-36; seconded by Mr. Aldridge. The vote:

Mr. B. Centers	yes
Mayor Hall	yes
Mr. Aldridge	yes

Mrs. Fouts absent
Mr. Wilcher yes
Mr. D. Centers yes
Mr. Ruppert yes

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2019-37 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT A FINAL APPLICATION FOR THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION'S STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS, AS REQUIRED, FOR PROGRAM YEAR 2020 (PY34) FOR THE INDUSTRIAL DRIVE ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Mr. Conway stated that this is an Issue II application for the Industrial Drive Roadway Improvement Project and the final application is due in July, for funding in 2020. The project will repair deteriorated curb and gutter and grind and repave the existing roadway. The estimated cost is \$1,360,000.00 and the local match of 51% would be \$700,000.00.

Mr. Lewis stated that the last time this road was paved was in 2002.

Mr. B. Centers made the motion to adopt Resolution 2019-37; seconded by Mr. Aldridge. The vote:

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

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2019-38 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT A FINAL APPLICATION FOR THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION'S STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS AND TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT, AS REQUIRED, FOR PROGRAM YEAR 2020 (PY 34) FOR THE THIRD STREET LIFT STATION REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Mr. Conway stated that this is the final Issue II application for the third Street Lift Station replacement project, which is due in July, for funding in 2020. The project will replace the existing lift station on South River Street. The estimated cost is \$618,365.00 and the local match of 51% would be \$318,365.00.

Mr. Wilcher made the motion to adopt Resolution 2019-38; seconded by Mr. Aldridge. The vote:

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

Motion passed.

Mr. D. Centers asked if we would have a better chance to be approved if we only submitted one project, or does it matter. Mr. Conway stated the projects are currently ranked #1, #2 and #5 in the County.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

Mr. Lewis reported on the following:

- The 4th of July parade & fireworks this week, think it will be a fun time and a lot of people. We are looking for volunteers and to let him know. Also, we need a judge for the parade floats and if you need anything else, to let him know.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. D. Centers asked if we have signs for their vehicles (Council should have their own signs); Sun Star new facility being built, are they keeping their current facility. Mr. Lewis, stated yes, they are keeping the current facility.

Mr. Ruppert asked if more dirt is coming, and if so, the resident at SR 123/Tama Lane, has a huge ditch in front of their property and asked if the City can install a pipe and dirt. Mr. Lewis asked if they have contacted the Township. Mr. Ruppert stated he didn’t know. Mr. Lewis stated to let him know who this is and he will contact him.

Mr. D. Centers stated the landscaping looks bad at I-75/SR-123. Mr. Inman stated we’re having problems with the contractor (has had two employees leave) and we do have a contract with the company.

Mr. Wilcher stated there was a good turnout at the Farmer’s Market last Saturday. He attended the Veteran’s Tribute at the Church Saturday night and it was a very interesting night. Also, with it being the 4th of July, we need to remember to contribute to the Wounded Warrior Project.

Mr. Ruppert stated he’s happy with what they’re doing at the Park and asked if more trees are going to be removed. Mr. Lewis stated they will be thinning out the trees and the dirt is mounded up at this time. Mr. D. Centers asked what the size of the area is. Mr. Lewis stated approximately 18-19 acres and the dirt being moved in by one of our local businesses, is a big savings for the City.

Mr. Aldridge stated he had no comments tonight. Also, he won’t be at the next meeting.

Mr. B. Centers stated that the first Medal of Honor to an Iraq War Veteran was given out last week by President Trump to David Bellavia, nephew of a former teacher at the High School.

Mayor Hall asked Chief Westendorf if he wants the pool to stay open later on the 4th. Chief Westendorf stated in the past, it’s been open to 9 p.m.

Mr. D. Centers made the motion to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Wilcher. The vote:

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

Motion passed.

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

Todd Hall, Mayor

Jane McGee, Clerk of Council