

**FRANKLIN CITY COUNCIL  
AUGUST 4, 2014**

Members of the Franklin City Council met in regular session on Monday, August 4, 2014, 6:00 p.m. at the Franklin Municipal Building, Mayor Denny Centers presiding.

Roll call showed:

Scott Lipps	present
Matt Wilcher	present
Jason Faulkner	present
Denny Centers	present
Carl Bray	absent
Michael Aldridge	present
Todd Hall	present

There were 4 visitors and no one from the press at tonight's meeting. Also present: Mr. Ross Coulton, Assistant Safety Director; Mr. Jonathan Westendorf, Fire Chief; Mr. Russ Whitman, Police Chief; Ms. Donnette Fisher, Law Director; Mr. Sonny Lewis, City Manager and Mrs. Jane McGee, Clerk of Council.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lee Dunlap.

Mr. Faulkner the made to approve the Clerk's Journal and accept the tapes as the official minutes of the July 21, 2014 regular meeting; seconded by Mr. Wilcher. The vote:

Mr. Wilcher	yes
Mr. Faulkner	yes
Mr. Centers	yes
Mr. Bray	absent
Mr. Aldridge	abstain
Mr. Hall	yes
Mr. Lipps	yes

Motion passed.

#### RECEPTION OF VISITORS

There were no visitor remarks.

#### PUBLIC HEARING    ORDINANCE 2014-08    LEVYING ASSESSMENTS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF CITY STREETS AND PUBLIC WAYS BY THE LIGHTING THEREOF FOR THE YEAR 2015

Mr. Lewis stated that this is the last step in the process to provide street lighting. The total cost is \$144,765, with the City cost 2% of the total- \$2,895.

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

Mr. Hall made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2014-08; seconded by Mr. Faulkner. The vote:

Mr. Faulkner	yes
Mr. Centers	yes
Mr. Bray	absent
Mr. Aldridge	yes
Mr. Hall	yes

Mr. Lipps        yes  
Mr. Wilcher     yes

Motion passed.

**RESOLUTION 2014-24     AWARDDING THE BID TO RUMPKE OF OHIO AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT FOR THE CITY’S SOLID WASTE & COMMINGLED RECYCLABLES COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL SERVICES CONTRACT**

Mr. Lewis stated that the current contract ends September 30, 2014. Bids were opened on July 15, 2014 and the sole bidder was Rumpke of Ohio, for a three year contract:

2014-2015	\$12.50 per unit
2015-2016	\$12.83 per unit
2016-2017	\$13.18 per unit

Mr. Lewis noted that the bid for the first two years is lower than the current rate. Residents won’t see a rate increase until 2016-2017.

Mayor Centers asked why the bid is lower. Mr. Lewis stated we don’t know why or why we only received one bid. Mr. Lewis added that everything stays the same as the current contract; receive very few complaints from residents and that Rumpke is good to work with.

Mr. Faulkner made the motion to adopt Resolution 2014-24; seconded by Mr. Wilcher. The vote:

Mr. Centers	yes
Mr. Bray	absent
Mr. Aldridge	yes
Mr. Hall	yes
Mr. Lipps	yes
Mr. Wilcher	yes
Mr. Faulkner	yes

Motion passed.

**RESOLUTION 2014-25     ACCEPTING THE TRANSFER OF THE PROPERTY AT 540 S. MAIN STREET FROM LYLA MELHAM AND THE PROPERTY AT 524 S. RIVER STREET FROM FLOYD HITTE AS PAYMENT OF DEMOLITION COSTS**

Ms. Fisher stated that these properties were demolished during the Ohio Moving Forward project and were not eligible for reimbursement from the program. We made an offer to purchase these properties rather than place a lien on the property to recover the costs. Ms. Lyla Melham, 540 S. Main Street agreed (\$23,154 demo cost) and Mr. Floyd Hitte, 524 S. River also agreed (\$9,600 demo cost) to sign over their properties to the City as payment for the demo costs.

Mr. Hall made the motion to adopt resolution 2014-25; seconded by Mr. Aldridge. The vote;

Mr. Bray	absent
Mr. Aldridge	yes
Mr. Hall	yes
Mr. Lipps	yes
Mr. Wilcher	yes
Mr. Faulkner	yes
Mr. Centers	yes

Motion passed.

## CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Lewis updated Council on the old Laundromat property (6<sup>th</sup> Street). We have been assured the property is ours, it is in foreclosure and they are working through the process.

Mr. Lipps stated that the owner of Valley Laundry has tried to buy the property and he has been told it is not available.

Mr. Lewis stated we have a legal contract with the realtor on the property.

## LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Fisher reported on the following:

- At the last meeting, we did a Resolution of Intent for the Walgreens property, we did receive the documents last Thursday.
- The project (2<sup>nd</sup> Street Widening) has been bid and will award it at the next meeting
- No Farmers Market on Saturday (8/9/14)

## COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Hall thanked everyone for coming tonight.

Mr. Aldridge thanked everyone for coming tonight; ET movie was awesome, great turnout and the Farmers Market is awesome.

Mr. Lipps stated that Eric Grassman, Valley Laundry, has great plans for his business, had a 25 year opening house last week and has had no issues with Scotty's, they have been a good neighbor. Dr. Scott Markland (Sinclair University) spent the day in Franklin on Friday, has some great educational program ideas; and also that National Bank & Trust was acquired today by Peoples Bank of Marietta Ohio – shareholders have to vote yet.

Mr. Wilcher thanked everyone for coming tonight.

Mr. Faulkner stated the movie was great and thanked everyone for coming tonight.

Mayor Centers asked when is the next movie (Mr. Westendorf stated next year), great comments on and if there has been any progress on the gray house. Mr. Lewis stated the meeting was cancelled and he will be at their September meeting. Mayor Centers added we look forward to the car show this weekend.

Mr. Faulkner made the motion to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Aldridge. The vote:

Mr. Aldridge	yes
Mr. Hall	yes
Mr. Lipps	yes
Mr. Wilcher	yes
Mr. Faulkner	yes
Mr. Centers	yes
Mr. Bray	absent

Motion passed.

Mayor Centers adjourned the meeting at 6:26 p.m.

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Mayor

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Clerk of Council