

**FRANKLIN CITY COUNCIL
JANUARY 5, 2015**

Members of the Franklin City Council met in regular session on Monday, January 5, 2015, 6:00 p.m. at the Franklin City Building, Mayor Denny Centers presiding.

Roll call showed:

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

There were 2 members of the press and 4 visitors at tonight's meeting. Also present: Ms. Donnette Fisher, Law Director; Mr. Russ Whitman, Police Chief; Mr. Jonathan Westendorf, Fire Chief; Mr. Ross Coulton, Assistant Safety Director; Mr. Sonny Lewis, City Manager and Mrs. Jane McGee, Clerk of Council.

RESOLUTION 2015-01 APPOINTING A MEMBER OF COUNCIL AS MAYOR FOR THE YEAR 2015

Mayor Centers asked for nominations for Mayor.

Mr. Bray nominated Denny Centers for Mayor. Mr. Aldridge seconded the nomination.

There being no further nominations, Mayor Centers closed the nominations.

The vote on the nomination of Denny Centers for Mayor:

Mr. Wilcher	no
Mr. Faulkner	no
Mr. Centers	yes
Mr. Bray	yes
Mr. Aldridge	yes
Mr. Hall	yes
Mr. Lipps	no

Motion passed. Denny Centers will serve as Mayor for 2015.

RESOLUTION 2015-02 APPOINTING A MEMBER OF COUNCIL AS VICE MAYOR FOR THE YEAR 2015

Mayor Centers asked for nominations for Vice Mayor.

Mr. Bray nominated Todd Hall. Mr. Wilcher seconded the nomination.

There being no further nominations, Mayor Centers closed the nominations.

The vote on the nomination of Todd Hall for Vice Mayor:

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

Motion passed. Todd Hall will serve as Vice Mayor for 2015.

Mr. Doug Greathouse led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Hall made the motion to approve the Clerk's Journal and accept the tapes as the official minutes of the December 15, 2014 regular meeting; seconded by Mr. Bray. The vote:

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

Motion passed.

RECEPTION OF VISITORS

There were no visitor remarks.

PUBLIC HEARING ORDINANCE 2014-16 APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF THE MAJOR SUBDIVISION SUBMITTED BY SYNERGY BUILDING SYSTEMS FOR THE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 1480 E. SECOND STREET AND 250 CONOVER DRIVE

Mr. Lewis stated that this combines the six existing lots into two lots for the Kettering Emergency Department. Also included is the new street. After this is recorded, Council will have to accept the street.

Mr. Aldridge asked if they have shared any plans for future development. Mr. Lewis stated there are some preliminary plans, but don't know when they will happen.

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. Bray made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2014-16; seconded by Mr. Aldridge. The vote:

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

Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING ORDINANCE 2014-17 AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE

Ms. Fisher stated that the Planning Commission spent several months reviewing these amendments and recommend approval. The following sections of the UDO are being amended:

- Chapter 1103 - Definitions
- Section 1107.03 - Commercial Districts
- Section 1109.07 - Highway Sign Overlay District
- Section 1111.08 - Sign Regulations
- Section 1113.01 - Conditional Uses
- Section 1113.07(K) - Supplementary Regulations
- Section 1115.08 - Site Plans
- Section 1115.09 - Approvals by the Planning Commission
- Section 1115.10 - Approvals by the Appeals Board
- Section 1115.11 - Approvals by the Zoning Official

Ms. Fisher added she will answer any questions and that the memo explains the amendments which add definitions and clarifications.

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; seconded by Mr. Wilcher. The vote:

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

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2015-03 APPOINTING COUNCIL MEMBERS TO THE COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR 2015

The following Committees of Council are appointed for 2015.

FINANCE
Carl Bray, Chairman
Todd Hall
Michael Aldridge

SAFETY
Scott Lipps, Chairman
Michael Aldridge
Matt Wilcher

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES

Jason Faulkner, Chairman
Todd Hall
Carl Bray

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS/FACILITY NEEDS

Todd Hall, Chairman
Carl Bray
Jason Faulkner

PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Michael Aldridge, Chairman
Denny Centers
Scott Lipps

PARKS & RECREATION

Matt Wilcher, Chairman
Michael Aldridge
Jason Faulkner

ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

Denny Centers, Chairman
Matt Wilcher
Scott Lipps

Mr. Lipps made the motion to adopt Resolution 2015-03; seconded by Mr. Bray. The vote:

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

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2015-04 APPOINTING COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MEMBERS-AT-LARGE TO CERTAIN DULY-AUTHORIZED BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, OHIO AND TO OTHER REGIONAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

The following are appointed to boards and commissions.

Franklin Planning Commission (Council Member) – one year term, January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015

Jason Faulkner, Council Member

Volunteer Firefighters’ Dependents Fund (Council Members) - one year term, January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015

Carl Bray, Council Member

Matt Wilcher, Council Members

Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission (MVRPC) - one year term, January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015

Michael Aldridge, Council Member Sonny Lewis, City Manager, Alternate

Warren County Regional Planning Commission - one year term, April 1, 2015, to March 31, 2016

Sonny Lewis, City Manager Barry Conway, City Engineer, Alternate
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Denny Centers, Mayor Ellis Ball, Alternate

Warren County Board of Health - one year term, January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015

Adam McClanahan

Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission Technical Advisory Committee (MVRPC-TA) - one year term, January 1, 2015, to December 31, 2015

Sonny Lewis, City Manager Barry Conway, Alternate

Franklin Regional Wastewater Treatment Corporation Board - three year term, January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2017

Sonny Lewis, City Manager

Franklin Historic District Review Board - four year term, January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2018

Lee Dunlap, Planning Commission Joe Lucas, Property Owner
Scott Lipps, Councilmember

Board of Trustees of the Franklin Homeowners' Association - two year term, January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2016

Wilber Depew Jane McGee
Darlene Hicks

Mr. Faulkner made the motion to adopt Resolution 2015-04; seconded by Mr. Hall. The vote:

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

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2015-05 AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO WARREN COUNTY FOR FY2015 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FOR THE 2015 CDBG CITY OF FRANKLIN WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Mr. Lewis stated this project is to replace the water main along Virginia Avenue, from Skokiaan to Westline Drive. The estimated project cost is \$327,964; estimated CDBG funds \$225,000; estimated City portion up to \$102,964. Mr. Lewis added that after this project, the City plans to pave the road.

Mr. Lipps asked why we aren't extending the project to Deardoff Road. Mr. Lewis stated there are no problems in that area, have checked the pipes and they are in better condition.

Discussion followed on this year's paving project.

Mr. Faulkner made the motion to adopt Resolution 2015-05; seconded by Mr. Hall. The vote:

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

Motion passed.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION

Mayor Centers introduced the following legislation:

Ordinance 2015-01 Amending Chapter 755 of the City of Franklin Codified Ordinances, Titled "Hotel Tax"

Public Hearing February 2, 2015.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Lewis reported on the following:

- We are close to reading water meters monthly, target date is March

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Fisher reminded Council that there is no meeting on January 19, 2015.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Hall thanked Council for the Vice Mayor appointment; asked if Duke is doing something on 4th Street, at Sunnybrook, as the area is marked (Mr. Lewis will check) and hopes everyone has a good 2015.

Mr. Aldridge thanked everyone for coming tonight; Happy New Year; the high school boys basketball team was invited to participate in the Beach Ball Tournament in Myrtle Beach, made it to the final game, beat an Ohio team in the semi-finals and was a great showing for the school and the community.

Mr. Bray stated the game was streamed and watched at multiple places in the City, talked to the director at the Beach Ball Tournament about a live broadcast from the Golf Course, couldn't be done, a video was sent to them and they called at halftime, was awesome for everyone; and happy New Year.

Mr. Lipps thanked the Planning Commission for all their work and doing a great job.

Mr. Wilcher wished everyone a happy New Year; the Franklin Historical Society would like for us to have a meeting at the Harding Museum; and looking forward to working with everyone – will be a great year.

Mr. Faulkner thanked everyone for coming; thanked the Public Works Department, in advance of the approaching bad weather; remember to vote on February 3, 2015 for the School renewal levy; asked to consider going paperless for Council packets & purchasing iPads and that he doesn't need to have a Council packet delivered anymore since the packet is being emailed to him.

Mayor Centers asked about money for building demolition (Mr. Lewis stated, yes, we have money, but no list yet); Mr. Bray asked about the house across the street from Chip Johnson, if it is doing to be demolished (Mr. Lewis stated no, going to rehab); Ms. Fisher added that there is no more Moving Ohio Forward project monies available, will be paid from the Demolition Fund. Mr. Lewis stated that the fire on S. Main Street, is a log cabin structure and the WC Historical society wants the building, the property owner wants to sign it over to City, but there are questions on what we would do with the property; and Mayor Centers added maybe Habitat for Homes would be interested in it.

Mayor Centers thanked Ms. Fisher for her work with the Planning Commission.

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

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

Motion passed.

Mayor Centers adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Vice Mayor

Clerk of Council