

**FRANKLIN CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 2, 2015**

Members of the Franklin City Council met in regular session on Monday, November 2, 2015, 6:00 p.m. at the Franklin City Building, Mayor Denny Centers presiding.

Roll call showed:

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

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Russ Whitman.

Mr. Faulkner made the motion to approve the Clerk's Journal and accept the tapes as the official minutes of the October 19, 2015 regular meeting; seconded by Mr. Bray. The vote:

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

Motion passed.

RECEPTION OF VISITORS

There were no comments tonight.

Mr. Lipps arrived at 6:05 p.m.

ORDINANCE 2015-15 PUBLIC HEARING AMENDING SECTION 1103.250 AND SECTION 1111.08 OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE

Ms. Fisher stated this ordinance amends Sections 1103.250 and 1111.08 of the UDO. The change to Section 1103.250, Definitions, changes the effective date of the City's Flood Insurance Map from March 4, 1987 to November 5, 1980 per the Ohio Department of Natural Resources.

The changes to Section 1111.08, Sign Regulations come from the Planning Commission. Changes include: Historic Overlay District, removing monument signs; adding a provision to allow off premise signs; setback from the right-of-way for signs not less than 5 ft. is being removed; removing the setback requirement for projecting nameplate signs in the Historic Overlay District and add monument signs to the Historic Overlay District.

Ms. Fisher added that the Planning Commission recommends these changes.

Mayor Centers stated that this was discussed at the Planning Commission meeting and is our recommendation.

Mr. Bray stated he agrees, we have to make adjustments to the code.

Mr. Faulkner stated that easement signs and downtown location dictates signs – we all agreed.

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. Faulkner. The vote:

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

Motion passed.

LIQUOR LICENSE

1. Application for Liquor Agency License by Snowden Family Holdings LLC for property located at 443 S. Riley Street
2. Transfer of C-1 and C-2 Carry-Out Licenses for property located at 443 S. Riley Street from Glensher Investments LLC to Snowden Family Holdings LLC

Mr. Lewis stated we've received two notices – an application for a liquor agency license and the second one is to transfer the C-1 & C-2 carry out license to the new owner, Snowden Family Holdings LLC. The business is being sold and this is part of the process.

Mayor Centers asked why does this come to us. Ms. Fisher explained the process and this is part of it.

There being no request for a hearing, the application for a liquor agency license and transfer of C-1 and C-2 carry-out licenses to Snowden Family Holdings will be returned that the City does not request a hearing.

RESOLUTION 2015-46 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT OF PURCHASE AND SALE AND OTHER DOCUMENTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY FROM JOYCE A. POWERS

Mr. Lewis stated that this authorizes the purchase of 2 lots across from the Community Park and adjacent to the School property. The intent is to use this land as part of the Park. The purchase price is \$155,000.00.

Mayor Centers stated that this is needed.

Mr. Hall made the motion to adopt Resolution 2015-46; seconded by Mr. Bray. The vote:

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

Motion passed.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION

Mayor Centers introduced the following legislation:

Ordinance 2015-16 Amending Chapter 751 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Franklin, titled "Earned Income Tax"

Public Hearing will be held November 16, 2015.

Ordinance 2015-17 Enacting Chapter 753 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Franklin, titled "Municipal Income Tax"

Public Hearing will be held November 16, 2015.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Lewis reported on the following:

- Will be advertising for the position of administering the FRA program; Holly Mears is giving it up to be able to attend her kids events; a lot is involved with the baseball program and if you know of anyone, let me know

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Fisher stated she had nothing to report tonight.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Hall wished the candidates good luck tomorrow and remember to vote.

Mr. Bray stated he has talked to Karen, revenues are up as of last month and should have good year.

Mr. Lipps stated Trick or Treat was last weekend and the police & fire personnel were very helpful in his neighborhood across the river.

Mr. Hall stated that Special Events Committee and Chief Westendorf did an outstanding job with FallFest, as well as City staff.

Mr. Wilcher stated it was a good time at FallFest and good luck to the candidates tomorrow.

Mr. Faulkner asked if there's been any vendor feedback (FallFest), Friday night was great but it rained on Saturday; questioned the cost of the leaf pickup (Mr. Lewis will get the information and noted that bags are available to residents); if there is any funding for bicycle lanes from MVRPC (Mr. Lewis stated we have an application for the bike path, will have to check to see if there's money for lanes); asked for an update on the Open Checkbook (no Finance Committee meeting tonight so it wasn't discussed), heard that the State is subsidizing it now and at some time, there will be a cost to participate in it (Mr. Lewis stated Karen has checked into that and will have the option to get out of it) and remember to vote tomorrow.

Mayor Centers stated that FallFest gets better every year & asked if the picture has been received (not yet); talked to Stacey & Matt (vendors at FallFest) and they sold out; and you can't control the rain; need to let the Alternative Band know if we want them for July 4th; status of sidewalk project (letters have been sent out for the sidewalk project, Steve & Barry will mark and then we will have to get an estimate of cost to repair); remember to vote tomorrow and hope the best people get elected, have outstanding candidates this time and good luck.

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

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

Motion passed.

Mayor Centers adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Mayor

Clerk of Council