

**City of Franklin Common Council**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**November 4, 2013**

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Franklin, Indiana was called to order at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 70 E. Monroe Street, with Mayor Joseph E. McGuinness presiding. Council members Joseph Ault, Kenneth Austin, Stephen Barnett, Robert Henderson, Stephen Houglan, and Richard Wertz answered roll call. Clerk-Treasurer Janet P. Alexander, Records Clerk Kathy Cragen, City Attorney Lynnette Gray were also present. Council member Abban was absent.

Mayor McGuinness opened the meeting and asked the Clerk-Treasurer to call the roll. Mayor McGuinness led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Announcements & Presentations**

Mayor McGuinness administered the oath of office to police officer Dennis Kight.

**Consent Agenda**

Mayor McGuinness presented the consent agenda for approval.

- Approval of the October 21, 2013 Common Council Minutes

Council President Barnett made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Councilor Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

**Old Business**

Council President Barnett made a motion to read all matters listed under old business by title only, seconded by Councilor Henderson. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

**Common Council Resolution No.: 13-26 A Resolution Adopting a Fiscal Plan of Services for the Annexation of Certain Territory (to be known as Creekside Annexation 1)** – Ms. Gray explained that although this resolution was introduced and approved at the last meeting, the wording of the code citation relating to annexation (IC 36-4-3-5.1(d)) appears to require that the fiscal plan be presented and

approved only after the public hearing but before the adoption. It is for that reason that this resolution is being re-presented for consideration. Council President Barnett made a motion to approve the fiscal plan of services, seconded by Councilor Wertz. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

**Common Council Ordinance No.: 13-12 An Ordinance Approving a Resolution of the City of Franklin, Indiana Plan Commission, and Annexing Certain Property Contiguous to the Franklin Corporate Limits (to be known as Creekside Annexation 1)**- Mayor McGuinness presented the ordinance for discussion. Council President Barnett made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

### New Business

Council President Barnett made a motion to read all items listed under new business by title only, seconded by Councilor Henderson. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

**Common Council Ordinance No.: 13-13 An Ordinance Approving a Resolution of the City of Franklin, Indiana Plan Commission, and Annexing Certain Property Contiguous to the Franklin Corporate Limits (To be known as Hougham Family Trust Annexation)** - Senior Planner Joanna Myers explained that this ordinance is presented for introduction only and that it has been advertised for public hearing at the next meeting. City Attorney Gray stated that this proposal was forwarded by the Plan Commission with a favorable recommendation but that there were some people who had questioned this annexation at the Plan Commission meeting. A discussion was held.

**Common Council Ordinance No.: 13-14 An Ordinance Approving Resolution No. #13-27 of the City of Franklin, Indiana Plan Commission, Rezoning Certain Property to IL (Industrial: Light) (To be known as Hougham Family Trust Rezoning)** – Senior Planner Myers stated that the proposed ordinance is presented for introduction and will be brought back during the next meeting for a public hearing. A discussion was held.

### Other Business

Mayor McGuinness informed the Council that 2014 budget books are available tonight. The Clerk-Treasurer Alexander reviewed the contents of the binders explaining that the forms and reports mirror the information submitted to the State of Indiana via the Gateway. Councilman Wertz requested that the Clerk Treasurer provide the Council with the employee contribution rates since the 15% increase was applied. The Clerk Treasurer agreed to forward that information to Mr. Wertz and all of the members. A discussion was held.

Mayor McGuinness presented the 2014 Holiday Schedule explaining that it is unchanged from the schedule approved for 2013.

**Council Comments**

There were no council comments.

**Adjournment**

As there was no further business to come before the Common Council, a motion and a second were made to adjourn at 6:54 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held Monday, November 18, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Janet P. Alexander, Clerk-Treasurer  
Enrolled: 11/13/13

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Joseph McGuinness, Mayor

Attest:

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Janet P. Alexander, Clerk-Treasurer