City of Franklin
COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES

City Hall
55 W. Madison St.
Franklin Indiana 46131

Monday, September 9, 2002 @ 6:00 P.M.

Presiding Officer:	Mayor Norman P. Blankenship
Roll Call:	
	Mr. Stephen D. Hougland, President Pro-Tempore
	Mr. Joseph R. Ault
	Mr. Phillip R. Barrow
	Mr. William T. Murphy
	Mr. Lyman A. Snyder
	Mrs. Katherine L. Poynter
Absent:	Mr. Jerry B. Maguire
Also present:	Clerk Treasurer Janet P. Alexander

Mrs. Karen Bridges a correspondent for the Indianapolis Star, and Mrs. Holly Yoakum a reporter from the Daily Journal, were present at this meeting.

After the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance, Mrs. Poynter seconded by Dr. Murphy, made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 26, 2002 meeting as distributed. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

<u>Budgetary Ordinance No. 02-11 An Ordinance Fixing The Annual Salaries & Providing Compensation For All Elected Officials (2nd reading – adoption)</u> Mayor Blankenship introduced the proposed ordinance. Mr. Barrow seconded by Mr. Hougland made a motion to read the ordinance by title only. The motion carried. Dr. Murphy seconded by Mr. Barrow made a motion to approve the proposed ordinance. The motion carried. The Council was polled and the votes cast were:

Ayes – 6, Nays – 0 **Ayes:** Mr. Hougland, Mr. Ault, Mr. Barrow, Dr. Murphy, Mrs. Poynter & Mr. Snyder

Nays: None

<u>Budgetary Ordinance No. 02-12 Proposed 2003 Budget</u> (2nd reading- adoption)– Mayor Blankenship introduced the proposed budget ordinance. Mayor Blankenship pointed out that line item 144 – Unused Personal Days was budgeted in anticipation that all eligible employees would receive this pay. Mr. Ault seconded by Mr. Snyder made a motion to read the ordinance aloud by title only. The motion carried. Dr. Murphy seconded by Mrs. Poynter made a motion to approve the ordinance. The motion carried. The Council was polled and the votes cast were:

Ayes – 6, Nays – 0 **Ayes:** Mr. Hougland, Mr. Ault, Mr. Barrow, Dr. Murphy, Mrs. Poynter & Mr. Snyder

Nays: None

<u>Budgetary Ordinance 02-10 Additional Appropriations Ordinance</u> (Advertised Public Hearing) Clerk Treasurer Janet Alexander asked the Council to approve the additional appropriations to several non-tax supported funds. Mr. Ault seconded by Mr. Barrow made a motion to read. Mrs. Poynter seconded by Mr. Hougland to approve. The motion carried. The Council was polled and the votes cast were:

Ayes – 6, Nays – 0 **Ayes:** Mr. Hougland, Mr. Ault, Mr. Barrow, Dr. Murphy, Mrs. Poynter & Mr. Snyder
Nays: None

Resolution No.: 02-07 A Resolution Authorizing the City of Franklin, Indiana To Apply for a Community Focus Fund Planning Grant From the State of Indiana (To be known as the Gateway Services Planning Grant) Mr. David Weir the Planning Director and Ms. Karen Leuhmann of Gateway Services and Mr. Greg Beumer a grant writer working with Gateway on this project presented the Resolution approving the application for a planning grant. Ms. Leuhmann stated that they have selected InterDesign Group to prepare the study and a plan for the project. Mr. Snyder seconded by Dr. Murphy made a motion to approve the selection of InterDesign Group to prepare the study. The motion carried. Dr. Murphy seconded by Mr. Barrow made a motion to read the resolution aloud by title only. The motion carried. Mr. Ault seconded by Mrs. Poynter made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion carried. The Council was polled and the votes cast were as follows.
Ayes – 6, Nays – 0 **Ayes:** Mr. Hougland, Mr. Ault, Mr. Barrow, Dr. Murphy, Mrs. Poynter & Mr. Snyder
Nays: None

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 2002-11of the City of Franklin, Indiana, An Ordinance Approving A Resolution of the City of Franklin, Indiana Plan Commission Recommending the Amendment of Section 4.2 – Table II – Minimum Lot Size & Area Table of the City of Franklin Subdivision Control Ordinance (Introduction) Mr. Weir summarized the proposed ordinance. He explained that the Plan Commission had voted unanimously to forward the proposed ordinance to the Common Council with a favorable recommendation. This matter will be set for public hearing at the next regular meeting to be held September 23, 2002

PUBLIC COMMENT
Mayor Blankenship asked whether anyone from the public had any business to bring before the Council. No one asked to speak.

CLERK TREASURERS COMMENTS
The Clerk Treasurer commented on the following issues:

Unused Personal Days 2002 – Department Heads have been notified that they may have to pay employees for these days and to make arrangements to transfer the money from within their budgets or request an additional appropriation

Lexus Nexus City Code Review– The legal review of the City's codebook has been completed and a report has been forwarded to the City Attorney, Mayor and certain Department Heads for review. This is part of the re-codification process.

2003 Budget Books – Final 2003 Budget binders will be available at the next meeting. The Clerk requested that Council Members return their budget workbooks so they may be reused next year.

Maximum Levy Limitation for 2003 - The State has set our 2003 maximum levy at $10,436,254.00 – the advertised /initial proposed levy was $7,244,996.00 for 2003. In 2002 the Maximum Levy Limit was $9,991,115.00 – we levied $6,547,925.00. Initial PTRC distribution estimates have increased from $322,147 to $381,130 increasing by $58,983. CAGIT has been reported to be $3,263,892 which is $311,203 more than what was initially reported.

COUNCIL MEMBERS COMMENTS

Mrs. Poynter asked where the re-districting project stands. Mr. Weir invited her to stop by and look at what has been developed so far. Mrs. Poynter stressed that the deadline is November.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Blankenship passed out copies Resolution 02-09 of the Board of Works and Safety of the City of Franklin Indiana: A Resolution to Establish Three Fire Stations The Mayor summarized the recommendations outlined in the resolution as stated in Section 1) *The City of Franklin, Indiana would be best served by the establishment of three (3) fire stations, a) one of which should be located on the north side of the city; b) one of which should be located at the currently –existing headquarters on North Main Street; and c) one of which should be located at the currently existing station on Hamilton Street, although this station should eventually be relocated farther to the east.*

Mayor also reminded the Council that meetings for the rest of this year would begin at 7:00 p.m.

As there was no further business to come before the Common Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Janet P. Alexander, Clerk-Treasurer
Secretary to the Common Council

Enrolled Date:

Approved by Common Council:_______

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Norman P. Blankenship, Jr. Mayor