

CITY OF FRANKLIN

55 W. Madison Street, Franklin IN 46131

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF WORKS

Tuesday July 11, 2000

Time: 6:00 P.M. **Place:** City Council Room

Presiding: Norman P. Blankenship, Jr., Mayor

Present: Stephen D. Hougland, Board
Joseph R. Ault, Board Member

Non Voting Members

Mr. Jeffery R. Bergman	Ms. Brenda Poe
Chief John Borges	Mr. Mark T. Webb
Chief Russell Irving	Ms. Sue Midkiff, Secretary
Mr. Richard Hughes	Mr. David A. Denslaw, Attorney
Mr. Rick Littleton	Mr. Jerry Ott, Engineer

Media: No one from the media was present at this meeting

After the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance, Mr. Hougland made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2000 meeting as distributed. Mr. Ault seconded this motion. The motion passed.

Ms. Sue Midkiff on behalf of the Clerk Treasurer presented the claims for approval: 19252 – 19398, 3108 - 3159 & 90000 – 90011. Mr. Ault made a motion to approve the claims presented; Mr. Hougland seconded the motion and the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Drainage Improvement Knollwood Farms Mr. Hougland made a motion to table seconded by Mr. Ault and the motion carried.

HR Unlimited / Human Resource Consulting Proposal This matter tabled pending compensation discussion between the Mayor and Mitch Ripley.

50/50 Sidewalk Program The Mayor informed the Board of a sidewalk project in North Vernon Indiana conducted by the City using City personnel. Discussion held. Mr. Ott plans to include sidewalks in the overlay bid next month. Mr. Ault made a motion to table this discussion until next meeting. Mr. Hougland seconded. The motion passed. Tabled

Progress Report on Westview Drive Lighting Proposal The City received a proposal from Cinergy regarding the lighting on Westview Drive. Mr. Ott will contact with Tim Umbaugh to discuss the proposal. Mr. Hougland made a motion to table this issue, seconded by Mr. Ault. Motion passed. Tabled.

Clarification regarding the towing of abandoned vehicles from private property Chief John Borges gave a report on his plans concerning towing abandoned vehicles. Discussion held. Motion to table made by Mr. Hougland, seconded by Mr. Ault. Motion passed. Tabled.

Oakleaf Subdivision Richard Hughes spoke to the residents and they have withdrawn their request. However, Mr. Bergman noted that there is a problem in the subdivision entrance to Franklin Place Apartments in the turn in. Mr. Bergman asked that a “no parking sign” installed in

the de-acceleration zone at Franklin Place Apartments. Mr. Ault made a motion to approve the placement of a no parking sign and paint the curb. Mr. Hougland seconded the motion. Motion passed. The Mayor directed that the item concerning the Oakleaf residents request be removed from the agenda

Resolution to the Johnson County Commissioners Mr. Hougland made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Ault. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Franklin College— a request for the vacation of an alley running east west, generally located in the parking lot south of the Spurlock Center – Jeff Bergman introduced representatives from the College. The Plan Commission does not object to this request. Motion made by Mr. Hougland to forward this request with a favorable recommendation to the City Council, seconded by Mr. Ault. Motion passed. This matter will be on the City Council agenda for first hearing on July 24, 2000. This type of action requires two hearings.

Parking Lot Proposals – Scott Headlee- Tabled

STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Jeffrey Bergman Oakleaf Manor Supplemental Plat II adding three residential lots. Mr. Hougland made a motion to approve the Oakleaf Manor Supplemental Plat II, pending the approval of the engineer, seconded by Mr. Ault. Motion passed.

Ms. Brenda Poe No report.

Mr. Richard Hughes No report.

Mr. Ott

- Provides report - titled Franklin City Engineer's Status of Tasks Period Ending July 7, 2000.
- Contract concerning the Branigin Boulevard Project – the Board and the City Attorney will receive copies before the next meeting.
- King Street – Mr. Ott has not heard anything from the State or County on this matter.
- Annual Pavement and Overlay Project – Bids for Public Works project
- Oakleaf Manor – Black Oak Court – Mr. Ott will contact the developer.

Mr. Rick Littleton No report.

Assistant Fire Chief Russell Irving Process has begun to replace two recently retired firefighters.

Mark Webb No report.

Chief John Borges The Chief reported that lightning struck the Police Department last evening. No one in the facility was hurt. All computers in the department are affected. The file server, the Spillman System, the Simplex system and several others are down or damaged. E-mail is not functioning. Cost of the repair of the known problems will cost in the area of \$60,000.00.

Mr. Borges asked whether the Board wants to amend the Abandoned Vehicle Ordinance. The Board discussed the cost of collection of towing fees for abandoned vehicles, court costs and legal fees. The City Attorney will contact IACT to discuss other options.

MAYORS COMMENTS

The Mayor asked for research on the matter of the implementation and enforcement of a noise ordinance similar to the ordinance enforced in Marion County. The City Attorney will get a copy of this order.

Masonic Home is preparing for a parade on Sunday August 7, 2000. They are requesting police escort services. The Mayor forwarded this request to the Police Chief.

The Mayor received a written formal request for repair of the curbs at Water and Madison Street. Jerry Ott suggested creating an inventory of the sidewalks and curbs ordered by priority for repair. He suggested the purchase of a computer software program to begin this process. Mr. Ott guessed that the project would cost \$40,000 - \$50,000.00. The inventory would take two to three months to complete. The winter months are the ideal time to do this work. Mr. Bergman reported that he has \$20,000 in his budget earmarked for mapping. He does not plan to use that money for that purpose and suggested that these funds could be used for this project. The Mayor asked whether grants might be available to pay for this kind of project.

ATTORNEYS COMMENTS

City Attorney Dave Denslaw submitted an executed copy of an encroachment agreement between the City of Franklin and Mr. & Mrs. Jay Link. He stated that they would begin construction of the façade this week.

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Works, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Norman P. Blankenship, Jr., Mayor

Janet P. Alexander, Clerk-Treasurer
Secretary to the Board of Works

Enrolled 6/29/11
Approved by the Board of Works _____