# CITY OF FRANKLIN BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

Meeting Minutes June 21, 2011

# **Opening**

Mayor Paris called the regular meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety to order at 9:00 a.m. in City Hall.

#### **Roll Call**

The roll was called and Mayor Paris, Mr. Joe Ault, and Mr. Dan Murray were present.

Also present were: Deputy Chief Chris Tennell, Fire Captain Greg Nelson, Parks Department Superintendent Chip Orner, Sewer Billing Office Manager Sherry Phillips, Cemetery Sexton and MS4 Coordinator Richard Dewitt, Planning Director Krista Linke, Project Supervisor Todd Wilkerson, Street Commissioner Steve Compton, Communications Director Zachary Burton, Administrative Assistant Kathy Cragen and City Attorney Robert H. Schafstall.

Mayor Paris offered an invocation immediately followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Public Comments**

#### **Consent Agenda**

Mayor Fred Paris presented the consent agenda for approval.

- 1. Approval of Minutes from the meeting held June 7, 2011
- 2. Approval of Claims
  - o #061001 BOW Utilities in the amount of \$705,670.18
  - o #060111 RDC-TIF in the amount of \$2,088.53
  - o #061111 Sewer Utilities in the amount of \$26,662.30
  - o Payroll dated June 21 in the amount of \$336,996.11
  - o #061311 RDC-TIF in the amount of \$63,892.10
  - o #061711 Sewer Utilities in the amount of \$1,854.65
  - o #061711 BOW Utilities in the amount of \$151,254.35
  - o #062011 Sewer Utilities in the amount of \$14,160.84
  - o #061911 RDC-TIF in the amount of \$16.69
  - o #062111 BOW Meeting in the amount of \$61,205.71
  - o #062111 Buy-out in the amount of \$18,109.91

Mr. Murray made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Ault. The motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

# Review of new Standard Operating Procedures (SOP's) from Police Department

Deputy Chief Tennell asked the Board if they had any questions concerning the proposed SOP's listed below:

SOP #3.12 Department Computer/Social Network Sites

SOP #3.13 Personal Appearance

Mr. Ault made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Murray. The motion carried.

# **Westview Bypass Traffic Report**

Deputy Chief Tennell presented a speed study of Westview Drive. A discussion was held regarding the request that the City install a Stop sign on Westview Drive at the entrance of Whispering Ponds. Mr. Ault made a motion to deny this request, seconded by Mr. Murray. The motion carried, and the request was denied.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# Request for "Children at Play" sign

The requester Amanda Lukins was not present. Mayor Paris made a motion to table seconded by Mr. Ault. The motion carried, and the item was tabled.

#### Offer to Purchase 400 S. Main Street

Mayor Paris told the Board that an offer of \$20,000.00 was received from Jack E. Bradley for the property located at 400 S. Main Street. A discussion was held. The Board requested that the Clerk Treasurer advertise the offer to purchase and request counter offers to be submitted until the next meeting. Mayor Paris made a motion to advertise the receipt of the bid, seconded by Mr. Ault. The motion carried.

# **Requesting adjustment of Sewer Bill (Premium Composite Technology)**

Ms. Debbie Swinehamer and Mr. Steve Tames representing Premium Composite Technology, Inc., explained that in their operation, the majority of water used is evaporated and therefore a minimal amount of water is released into the sewer system. They asked to have their sewer bill adjusted to reflect this. A discussion was held. Mr. Ault stated that we would have to inspect this prior to approval, but they have done this for other industries. Sewer Billing Manager Sherry Phillips stated that they have other companies that have similar processes. Mr. Ault made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Murray. The motion carried.

# Rods for Riley Car Show September 24<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Mr. Jeff Miller stated that last year the organizers donated over \$7,000.00 to Riley Children's Hospital. They requested street closures including: West Monroe to Jackson, West and East Court Streets from 9:30 to 3:00 on Saturday, Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>. A discussion was held. Mayor Paris requested that the organizers contact the businesses downtown that might be affected by these street closures and get something from them in writing to acknowledge this will take place for our records. Mayor Paris made a motion to approve subject to the approval of businesses in this area, seconded by Mr. Murray. The motion carried.

# Requesting Noise Variance & Street Closure for July 16<sup>th</sup> Neighborhood Fireworks Celebration in Knollwood Farms

Ms. Stephanie Fuller requested a noise variance and permission to use the public street for a fireworks show. Chief O'Sullivan was contacted and referred Ms. Fuller to the Board of Works. She stated that the event would begin around 5:00 p.m. with a fireworks show starting around 10:00 p.m. She requested that the City issue a fireworks permit. She would like to have fire department and police presence in the area to help with traffic issues, and has notified the residents of the neighborhood about the planned event. Fire Captain Greg Nelson told Ms. Fuller that she would need a state permit signed by the fire chief. Deputy Police Chief Tennell stated that our City ordinance states that insurance is needed for this type of event. Mayor Paris asked her to check her homeowners insurance to make sure that she has sufficient coverage to provide a certificate of liability insurance to the City. Ms. Fuller stated that she would get insurance taken

care of. A discussion was held. Mr. Ault made a motion to allow this to occur, and would like to direct the Street Department to put up barricades on Friday, at 4021 Lesley Ct., also include a noise ordinance variance for fireworks until 11:30 p.m., restrict music to no profanity, recommend one police officer to check on scene, this is all contingent with meeting the insurance requirements listed above, seconded by Mr. Murray. The motion carried. Mayor Paris asked that next year they try to get a field around the area to set the fireworks off.

# Payment #2 in the amount of \$127,490.00 to Reynolds, Inc. for WWTP Project

WWTP Superintendent Rick Littleton recommended that the City release the payment. Mayor Paris made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Murray. The motion carried.

# **Request for King Street Speed Reduction**

Mayor Paris stated that this was discussed at a recent meeting, and that the City Engineer Trent Newport recommended against a speed reduction. Project Supervisor Todd Wilkerson stated that he had discussed this request with the City Engineer and he recommended that the City could install a yellow caution light, and a speed hump at the crossing of the walking trail. Mr. Murray made a motion to rescind his previous motion for a stop sign (made and approved several weeks ago), and go with the City Engineer's request for a speed hump and caution light, seconded by Mr. Ault. The motion carried.

Mayor Paris stated that at the meeting held with the City Council last evening he received a recommendation that real property owned by the City including the Street Department Garage and the former Fire Station #22 should be sold. The Mayor stated that he will make arrangements for signage and legal advertisements. Mayor Paris made a motion to sell the Street Department Garage and the former Fire Station #22 building, seconded by Mr. Murray. The motion carried.

# **Department Reports / Staff Reports**

#### **Parks Department**

Chip Orner stated that the department will hold a fireworks show on July 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Masonic Home.

#### **Planning Department**

Krista Linke reminded everyone that Discover Downtown Franklin's 4<sup>th</sup> Friday event will feature the Blue River Band, the movie Grease is showing at the Artcraft Theater, and a BBQ contest called "Smoke on the Square" will take place. She stated that twenty two teams from all over the US have entered for a \$3,000.00 cash prize. She explained that they are professional BBQ'ers competing for points to earn the privilege to participate in a national competition.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Works a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet P. Alexander Clerk Treasurer

Enrolled: 6/30/2011 Approved by the Board of Works: 7/5/11