# CITY OF FRANKLIN BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY Mosting Minutes

Meeting Minutes July 19, 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: Police Chief Tim O'Sullivan, Fire Chief James Reese, Parks Department Superintendent Chip Orner, Sewer Billing Office Manager Sherry Phillips, Cemetery Sexton and MS4 Coordinator Richard Dewitt, DPW Superintendent Rick Littleton, Planning Director Krista Linke, Project Supervisor Todd Wilkerson, Street Commissioner Steve Compton, Clerk-Treasurer Janet P. Alexander, Communications Director Zachary Burton, Administrative Assistant Kathy Cragen and City Attorney Robert H. Schafstall.

Mr. Ault offered an invocation immediately followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Fred Paris presented the consent agenda for approval.

- 1. Approval of Minutes from meeting held July 5, 2011
- 2. Approval of Claims
  - o #071111 BOW Utilities in the amount of \$32,072.60
  - o #071011 RDC-TIF in the amount of \$2,205.00
  - o Payroll Docket-Death Benefit in the amount of \$12,000.00
  - o Payroll Docket Pool Party Salary in the amount of \$1,500.00
  - o #071611 Sewer Utilities in the amount of \$23,399.22
  - o #071511 BOW Utilities in the amount of \$89.541.24
  - o #071811 Sewer Utilities in the amount of \$16,593.22
  - o #071911 BOW Utilities in the amount of \$76,937.79
  - o #071711 BOW Buy-Out in the amount of \$99,272.40

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

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

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

Mayor Paris presented an offer to purchase the house and land located at 400 S. Main Street by Mr. Bradley who was not present. Mayor Paris opened the public hearing on the offer to purchase 400 S. Main at \$20,000 from Mr. Bradley. Mr. Joe Class came forward and asked what the buyer intends to do with the property. Mayor Paris stated that Mr. Bradley lived next door to the house for many years. No one else asked to speak. The public hearing was closed. Mr. Murray made a motion to accept the offer of \$20,000 and directed the Mayor, Clerk-Treasurer, and City Attorney to complete the necessary paperwork to complete this sale, seconded by Mr. Ault. The motion carried.

# Request Alley Closure or Guard Rail at corner of Walnut St. and Center Court

This matter was discussed at the meeting held July 5, 2011. The Board asked for input from the Street Commissioner, Fire Chief and Police Chief who expressed concerns about the request to close the alley. A discussion was held. The Board consented that barriers could be placed on Ms. George's property, and recommended that she contact Steve Compton for help in getting the materials needed. No further

action taken.

#### **Discussion on Fireworks Ordinance**

This matter was tabled until August 2, 2011.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# Request Approval for a Zombie Walk at B Movie Fest

Mr. Eric Rose appeared before the Board to request approval for a so called Zombie Walk in connection to the B Movie Fest on Saturday, August 24, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. The event will take place along the Park Trails and the sidewalks around the Artcraft. He explained that it is a family friendly event in the middle of the day where people dress like zombies and walk down sidewalks to raise money for charity. He explained that it helps advertise the B Movie Fest. The Board stated that no permission would need to be granted from the Board as long as they stay on the sidewalks and trails. The Board recommended that the participants not walk through the Cemetery.

# Request use of City Property for a Charity event

Jukebox Owner Tom Mazza was not present. Mayor Paris explained that the request involved the use of Oren Wright property in September for a charity event. Mayor Paris, seconded by Mr. Murray, made a motion to table the request. The motion carried.

# Request vacation of drainage easement in Heritage Trails Subdivision

Steve Williams came forward representing RSW development, asking for a vacation of a drainage easement in the Heritage Trails Subdivision. He explained that there are no utilities in this easement. Engineering Supervisor Todd Wilkerson stated that the vacation would not cause any problems to the City. Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. Ault, made a motion to approve the vacation of the drainage easement on lots 5 & 6. The motion carried.

## **Telecommunications Spyglass Audit Report**

Mr. Frank Schumacher, Telecommunications Commission President, appeared before the Board to present the telephone service audit report completed by Spyglass. He explained that the audit identified savings for the City and the Telecommunications Council recommends that the City accept items 1, 3, and 4 in the audit report. It was explained that the new long distance carrier would be Qwest, instead of CenturyLink. Mayor Paris, seconded by Mr. Ault, made a motion to approve the recommendation of the Telecommunications Council and accept items 1, 3, and 4 of the audit report. The motion carried.

# Request to Proceed with Proposal for Sanitary Sewer & Area Drainage Study-Alley North of Jefferson St.

DPW Superintendent Rick Littleton presented a request to proceed with a proposal for sanitary sewer and area drainage study by Wessler Engineers. Mr. Littleton stated that he was asked at a previous meeting to have Wessler Engineers look at the east west alley next to the Artcraft Theatre due to drainage issues and to bring back a cost for this project. For Wessler to do a study of this area it would be no greater than \$7,600.00. Mr. Littleton would like the Board's approval to proceed with this. A discussion was held. Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. Ault, made a motion to request that Wessler prepare a true set of construction plans for this area instead of a study. The motion carried.

# **Mayor Comments**

Mayor Paris reported that he had received a letter from Mr. Thompson about client parking at bail bond business located along W. Jefferson Street.

# **Department Reports / Staff Reports**

Park and Recreation Superintendent Chip Orner stated that the pool would be dumping 3000 lbs of ice in the pool at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 21, 2011. The current water temperature is 94 degrees.

City Attorney Rob H. Schafstall stated that he was approached by firefighter Mike Hodge and Chief Reese and asked to take a look at a release of liability form for an event the Fire Department and Parks Department are doing called Safe Kid Bicycle Rodeo. Mr. Schafstall stated that he had made some

revisions to this form, and he would like to make a recommendation that the board approve this form with his revisions. This event is scheduled for July 30th. Mr. Ault made a motion to approve the revised form, seconded by Mr. Murray. The motion carried.

Rob H. Schafstall, the City Attorney stated that he needed to disclose a potential conflict of interest regarding his representation of other boards concerning the disposition of City properties in his role as legal counsel to the Redevelopment Commission, and the City Council. A discussion was held. No action was taken.

Planning Director Krista Linke announced that this Friday, July 22, 2011 is the 4th Friday. Events planned include a classic car cruise-in, the Apple Dumpling Gang (band), and the highlighting of two non-profits: the Boys and Girls Club & Girls, Inc.

She also introduced Kevin Tolloty, the new Associate Planner.

Street Commissioner Steve Compton stated that he would like some direction on the cleanup of an iron structure at the former garden center located on South U.S. 31. The property owner was told that he had 30 days to clean up the property which did not happen. They have not been able to reach the owner despite various attempts. Mayor Paris made a recommendation to send a legal notice that this will be the last opportunity for the property owner to retrieve this material or it will be disposed of.

A discussion was held regarding the flower planters around the City and the need to maintain them. It was determined that the Parks Department will address the issue. Mayor Paris explained that the Beautification Committee was folded into the Parks Department a couple of years ago, in which no money was given to the Parks Department for the committee.

Mr. Ault inquired about city employee who was injured playing racquetball without wearing safety equipment. A discussion was held.

#### **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 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet P. Alexander Clerk Treasurer

Enrolled: 7/28/2011 Approved by the Board of Works: 8/2/11