

City of Franklin
COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES

City Hall
55 W. Madison St.
Franklin, Indiana 46131

Monday, April 23, 2007 @ 7:00 p.m.

Presiding Officer: Mayor Brenda Jones-Matthews

Members Present: President Dr. William T. Murphy
Mr. Joseph P. Abban
Mr. Joseph R. Ault
Mr. Kenneth W. Austin
Mr. Phillip R. Barrow
Mr. Jeffrey C. Eggers
Mrs. Ann M. Gordon

Also present: Clerk-Treasurer Janet P. Alexander and City Attorney Robert H. Schafstall

News Media: The News Media was not represented.

Mayor Jones-Matthews opened the meeting and asked the Clerk-Treasurer, Janet P. Alexander, to call the roll. Council President, Dr. William T. Murphy, offered an invocation which was followed by a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Brenda Jones-Matthews asked if anyone from the public wished to comment on any matter not listed on the agenda. No one requested to speak.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Eggers, seconded by Mr. Barrow, made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

1. Minutes of the regular meeting held April 9, 2007.

The motion carried and the consent agenda was approved.

Due to the procedural requirement in the Indiana Code, Mayor Jones-Matthews requested that Resolution 07-03: A Resolution Adopting a Fiscal Plan of Services for the Annexation of Certain Territory, be considered prior to the discussion about the Johnson County Animal Shelter annexation ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS

Introduction of Resolution 07-03: A Resolution Adopting a Fiscal Plan of Services for the Annexation of Certain Territory (to be known as the Johnson County Animal Shelter Annexation)

The Planning Director, Joe Csikos, presented the proposed resolution adopting a fiscal plan of services for the annexation of certain territory. A motion and second were made to read by title only. The motion carried and the ordinance was read by title only. Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mrs. Gordon, made a motion to approve Resolution 07-03. The motion carried and the ordinance was approved and signed. Mr. Eggers recused himself and abstained from voting.

OLD BUSINESS

Ordinance 07-01: 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 the Johnson County Animal Shelter Annexation)

The Planning Director, Joe Csikos, presented the ordinance approving a resolution annexing the property located at Commerce Drive and Graham Road into the Franklin Corporate Limits. A motion and a second were made to read by title only. The motion carried and the ordinance was read by title only. Dr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Barrow, made a motion to approve Ordinance 07-01. The motion carried and the ordinance was approved and signed. Mr. Eggers recused himself and abstained from voting.

PUBLIC HEARING

Budgetary Ordinance No. 07-02: A Common Council budgetary Ordinance Requesting an Additional Appropriation

The Street Commissioner, Richard Hughes, presented the proposed budgetary ordinance requesting \$40,000 to purchase a back hoe. The City has advertised the additional appropriation of \$40,000. Mr. Hughes provided four quotes for used backhoes:

Vendor	Bid Amount
DeHart Excavating	\$40,000.00
Southeastern Equipment Company	\$49,950.00
LJ Kennedy Equipment, LLC	\$53,000.00
Blesch Brothers Equipment Co., Inc.	\$53,250.00

A discussion was held. Mayor Jones-Matthews stated that this is a public hearing and asked if anyone from the audience wished to comment. One person asked about the maintenance records of the used equipment under consideration. A motion and second were made to read by title only. The motion carried and the ordinance was read by title only. Mr. Ault, seconded by Dr. Murphy, made a motion to approve Budgetary Ordinance 07-02. The motion carried and the ordinance was approved and signed. Mayor Jones-Matthews requested that Street Department Superintendent Hughes return with the maintenance records and purchase agreements.

NEW BUSINESS

Introduction of Ordinance 07-03: An Ordinance Approving Resolution 07-02 of the City of Franklin, Indiana Plan Commission, Revising Article 3, Chapters 11-13, and Article 13, Chapter 2 of the Franklin City Zoning Ordinance

The Planning Director, Joe Csikos, presented the proposed ordinance revising Article 3, Chapters 11-13, and Article 13, Chapter 2 of the Franklin City Zoning Ordinance. The proposed ordinance will update two sections of the City of Franklin Zoning Ordinance providing an exemption in the Residential Traditional (RT) 1, 2, and 3 zones and add some definitions for the Adult Uses to the definition section of the Ordinance. This ordinance is scheduled for public hearing on May 14, 2007.

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Introduction of Ordinance 07-04: An Ordinance Approving Resolution 07-03 of the City of Franklin, Indiana Plan Commission, Rezoning Certain Property to Industrial Business Development (IBD) – To be known as the RSW Development Rezoning

The Planning Director, Joe Csikos, presented the proposed ordinance rezoning certain property to industrial business development to be known as the RSW Development Rezoning. Mr. Csikos stated that the Plan Commission forwarded this ordinance to the Council with a unanimous favorable recommendation. A discussion was held. This ordinance is scheduled for public hearing on May 14, 2007.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Jones-Matthews presented the assignments for the 2008 Budget. The Clerk-Treasurer, Janet P. Alexander, explained the budget timeline.

<u>Department</u>	<u>Council Member</u>
Mayor/Board of Works/City Hall	Ann Gordon
Clerk Treasurer	Ann Gordon
DPW	Jeff Eggers & Joe Ault
Fire Dept.	Joe Ault
Parks Dept.	Phil Barrow
Planning Dept.	Joe Abban
Police Dept.	Dr. Murphy
Street Dept./Cemetery	Ken Austin

MAYOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Jones-Matthews referred to a folder provided by Chief Reese to the Council which contained detailed reports concerning current overtime hours worked at the department. The department's overtime was recently discussed in the local newspaper. Chief Reese appeared before the Council to provide information and to answer questions. A discussion was held.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to come before the Common Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. The next meeting will be held May 14, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet P. Alexander, Clerk Treasurer

Enrolled: 5-11-07

Approved by Common Council: 5-29-07