

City of Franklin
COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES

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

Tuesday, May 29, 2007 @ 7:05 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. Mr. Eggers commented that Mr. Stanley M. Barnett, a soldier killed in WW2, has been omitted from the listing of soldiers named on the plaque honoring fallen military personnel located in the lobby showcase. Mr. Eggers suggested that the City take the necessary steps to correct this omission.

Mayor Jones-Matthews read a report from Fire Chief James Reese concerning a medical emergency call which occurred February 10, 2007. Franklin resident Mr. Chris Henry had a heart attack and because of the quick response and treatment given by several of our firefighters, he survived that event. Mayor Jones Matthews recognized each of the officers and gave each one a Life Saving Medal. The officers honored were:

Capt./ EMT - Mike Hodge	Firefighter/Paramedic - Randy Cox
Firefighter/EMT - Mike Griggs	Firefighter/EMT - Andrew Tames
Lt./EMT - Stuart Bridges	Firefighter/EMT - Dennis Bordenkecher
Firefighter/EMT - Tyler Sneed	

Mr. Henry's wife read a letter aloud to the responding officers, thanking them for what they did for her husband and their family. She also expressed her gratitude to the entire department for their service to the community.

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CONSENT AGENDA

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

1. Minutes of the regular meeting held April 23, 2007.

The motion carried and the consent agenda was approved.

PUBLIC HEARING

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

The Planning Director, Joseph Csikos, presented the proposed ordinance approving a resolution of the City of Franklin, Indiana Plan Commission. The proposed ordinance further defines terms utilized in Article 7, Chapter 20, relative to “adult uses” within the existing Zoning Ordinance. Mayor Brenda Jones-Matthews asked if anyone from the public wished to comment. No one asked to speak. 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 Mrs. Gordon, made a motion to adopt Ordinance 07-03. The motion carried. The Council was polled and the votes cast were as follows:

Ayes – Murphy, Abban, Ault, Austin, Barrow, Eggers, Gordon

Nays – None

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

The Planning Director, Joseph Csikos, presented the proposed ordinance approving a resolution of the City of Franklin, Indiana Plan Commission. He explained that the Plan Commission had voted unanimously to forward the matter to the Council with a favorable recommendation. Mayor Brenda Jones-Matthews asked if anyone from the public wished to comment on the matter. No one asked to speak. 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 adopt Ordinance 07-04. The motion carried. The Council was polled and the votes cast were as follows:

Ayes – Murphy, Abban, Ault, Austin, Barrow, Eggers, Gordon

Nays – None

NEW BUSINESS

Introduction of Budgetary Resolution 07-02: A Common Council Budgetary Resolution Authorizing a Transfer-Police Dept.

The Police Chief, John Borges, presented the proposed budgetary resolution requesting a transfer in the amount of \$50,000 from 300 series Professional Services line item to the 200 series Operating Supplies line item within the Police Department budget. A motion and second were made to read the resolution by title only. The motion carried and the budgetary resolution was read by title only. Mr. Abban, seconded by Mr. Austin, made a motion to adopt Budgetary Resolution 07-02. The motion carried. The Council was polled and the votes cast were as follows:

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Ayes – Murphy, Abban, Ault, Austin, Barrow, Eggers, Gordon
Nays – None

Introduction of Resolution 07-06: A Common Council Resolution Authorizing the Use of Certain Existing Store Credit and Additional Credit Cards-Clerk Treasurer.

The Clerk-Treasurer, Janet P. Alexander, presented the proposed resolution authorizing the use of existing store credit accounts and credit cards. A discussion was held. The consensus of the Council was to table the matter until the next meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Clerk-Treasurer, Janet P. Alexander, presented the 1782 Notice and requested permission to move forward with the submission of report to the DLGF. A discussion was held. Mr. Eggers, seconded by Mr. Barrow, made a motion to submit the 1782 Notice as presented. The motion carried.

ATTORNEY COMMENTS

The City Attorney presented CF-1 Forms from Electro Spec, Innovative Casting Technologies, Inc., Dual Tech, NiTrax and International Fuel Systems which were reviewed by the Economic Development Committee and forwarded to the Council for their approval. Mr. Schafstall mentioned that these forms require the signature of the Council President. Mr. Austin, seconded by Mr. Barrow, made a motion to accept the tax abatements compliance forms as presented and authorized Dr. Murphy to sign on the Council's behalf. The motion carried and the forms were signed.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to come before the Common Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m. The next meeting will be held June 11, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet P. Alexander, Clerk Treasurer

Enrolled: Thursday, June 7, 2007

Approved by Common Council: 6-11-07