

City of Franklin COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES

City Hall
55 W. Madison St.
Franklin Indiana 46131

Monday, April 28, 2003 @ 7:00 P.M.

Presiding Officer: Mayor Norman P. Blankenship
Roll Call: Mr. Stephen D. Hougland, President Pro-Tempore
Mr. Joseph R. Ault
Mr. Phillip R. Barrow
Mrs. Katherine L. Poynter
Mr. Jerry B. Maguire
Mr. William T. Murphy
Mr. Lyman A. Snyder

Also present: Clerk Treasurer Janet P. Alexander, Robert H. Schafstall, Esq.

Mrs. Karen Bridges, a correspondent for the Indianapolis Star, and Mrs. Holly Yoakum, a reporter from the Daily Journal were present at this meeting.

After the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance, Mr. Maguire seconded by Mr. Ault, made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2003 meeting as distributed. Mrs. Poynter abstained. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Request to Reconsider Ordinance Number 03-05 Of The City Of Franklin, Indiana An Ordinance Approving Resolution Number 2002-43 Of The City of Franklin, Indiana Plan Commission Rezoning Certain Property Within The City of Franklin (to be known as the Cumberland Commons Rezoning)
Mr. Raymond Good, Esq., of Locke Reynolds, LLP, introduced himself, Mr. Glen Brizendine, and Mr. Richard Henderson with Arbor Homes. Mr. Good stated that if the Council would approve the rezoning request Mr. Brizendine would to make the following commitments:

1. There would be only 299 lots in the addition
2. Withdraw the petition to annex the area known as Simon Farm development access annexation
3. Pay the City of Franklin \$50,000 for Simon Road improvements in addition to the \$21,000.00 he contributed.
4. The road base for the boulevard through the neighborhood would be built with an additional 2 inches.
5. The boulevard would be completed in sections as the addition is built
6. The local streets throughout the addition would have an additional inch of road base
7. The home builder will use .044 grade vinyl
8. Maintenance of the walking trail will be the responsibility of the homeowners association
9. All commitments originally agreed upon with the plan commission

Mayor Blankenship asked Mr. Weir the Planning Department Director for a staff opinion about acceptance. Mr. Weir stated that the staff recommends approval, pursuant to the favorable recommendation given to the petition by the Plan Commission. Mayor Blankenship stated that this is the public hearing and asked if anyone from the public wished to speak for or against the proposed ordinance. No one asked to speak. A motion to read the proposed ordinance was made and seconded. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Maguire seconded by Mr. Snyder. The Council was polled and the votes cast were seven in favor, none opposed. Approved.

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Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Ayes: Mr. Hougland, Mr. Ault, Mr. Barrow, Mrs. Poynter, Mr. Maguire, Dr. Murphy, & Mr. Snyder
Nays: None

Ordinance Number 03-06 Of The City Of Franklin, Indiana 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 Simon Farm development access annexation)
Withdrawn by the petitioner.

Budgetary Ordinance No. 03-06 – An Additional appropriation ordinance: Mr. David Weir repeated his request for an additional appropriation from the General fund of \$2,860.00 to 101-11-221 Garage & Motor. Mayor Blankenship stated that this is the public hearing and asked whether anyone from the public wished to speak for or against the ordinance. No one spoke. A motion to read was made and seconded. Mr. Maguire made a motion to approve, seconded by Mrs. Poynter. . The Council was polled and the votes cast were seven in favor, none opposed. Approved.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Ayes: Mr. Hougland, Mr. Ault, Mr. Barrow, Mrs. Poynter, Mr. Maguire, Dr. Murphy, & Mr. Snyder
Nays: None

Budgetary Ordinance No. 03-04 – An additional appropriation ordinance: Deputy Chief Steven Hood repeated his request for an additional appropriation from the General fund of \$6,733.00 to 101-7-199 Police Overtime. Mayor Blankenship stated that this is the public hearing and asked whether anyone from the public wished to speak for or against the ordinance. No one spoke. A motion to read was made and seconded. Mr. Maguire made a motion to approve, seconded by Mrs. Poynter. . The Council was polled and the votes cast were seven in favor, none opposed. Approved.

Ayes – 7, Nays – 0 Ayes: Mr. Hougland, Mr. Ault, Mr. Barrow, Mrs. Poynter, Mr. Maguire, Dr. Murphy, & Mr. Snyder
Nays: None

NEW BUSINESS

INTRODUCTIONS.

New Ambulance Billing Ordinance No. 03-08

Fire Chief Mike Herron introduced his proposal to amend the Fire Medic Fund ordinance due to increased fees and the addition of mileage charge. This will be set for first reading at the next meeting May 12, 2003.

Request to Appropriate \$16, 500 to Fire Department for Hazardous Materials Line Item #228 (Budgetary Ordinance No. 03-08) Chief Herron asked for an additional appropriation of \$16,500 for Hazardous Material Equipment and supplies. Chief Herron explained that the Franklin Township Trustee pays the City this amount annually for fire services. Mayor Blankenship stated that this would be set for Public Hearing May 12, 2003.

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Budgetary Ordinance No. 03-07 Cemetery Budgetary Ordinance to appropriate \$10,000 to Greenlawn Cemetery. Mr. Mark Webb, the Cemetery Superintendent asked for an additional appropriation of \$10,000 to be used to build a house for the cannon. Mr. Webb explained that \$10,000 had been given to the City as an unrestricted gift several years ago. Mr. Webb also explained that the project is delayed due to Cinergy. Mayor Blankenship stated that this would be set for Public Hearing May 12, 2003

GENERAL DISCUSSION

GASB 34

The Clerk Treasurer Janet Alexander explained that the organization that dictates governmental accounting standards is the Governmental Accounting Standards Board or GASB issued a statement June 11, 1999 called Statement No. 34, which was about a new "financial reporting model" for states and local governments. Full adoption of the standard is required in 1st class and 2nd class cities with populations of 100,000 or more. Third class city's that have prepared CAFR's in the past will also be required to adopt the GASB accounting standard. Cities and towns like Franklin will only be required to establish and maintain an inventory of their Capital Assets according to the standard set by GASB 34. Also the fiscal officer is required to write a Management Discussion & Analysis (MD&A) of the government's financial activities. The Capital Assets Inventory includes infrastructure, such as buildings, roads, bridges, and alleys. The first requirement is for each City to adopt a Capital Asset Policy The SBOA recommends a \$5,000.00 threshold for tracking assets. Discussion held. Mayor Blankenship stated that he planned to look in to the requirements and would get back with the Council. Tabled.

PETITIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Blankenship asked whether anyone from the public had any petitions or public comments. No one asked to speak.

REPORTS

Mayor Council Members & Clerk Treasurer's Comments

Council Member Kay Poynter thanked the Council for their understanding and kindness during her absence. She also expressed a concern about ACCESS Johnson County

Mayor Blankenship announced that June 14th is Johnson County Night at Victory Field. Chief Borges will be throwing out the 1st pitch. He also announced that Rick Littleton has been employed by the City for twenty three (23) years, Roger Spaw for twenty four (24) years and Harold Payton for thirty one (31) years.

As there was no further business to come before the Common Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet P. Alexander, Clerk-Treasurer

Enrolled Date: 4-29-03 Approved by Common Council: _____

Norman P. Blankenship, Jr. Mayor

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