

**City of Franklin Common Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
December 18, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Franklin, Indiana was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 70 E. Monroe Street, with Mayor Steve Barnett presiding. Council members Joseph Abban, Joseph Ault, Kenneth Austin, Andrew Eggers, Keith Fox, Bob Heuchan and Richard Wertz answered roll call. Clerk-Treasurer Jayne Rhoades, Records Clerk Kathy Cragen, City Attorney Lynnette Gray were also present.

Councilor Heuchan offered an invocation. Mayor Barnett opened the meeting and asked the Clerk-Treasurer to call the roll. Mayor Barnett led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcements, Presentations & Public Comments

There were no announcements, presentations or public comments.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Barnett presented the consent agenda for approval.

- Approval of the December 4, 2017 Common Council Minutes

Council President Fox made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Councilor Abban. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Old Business

Council President Fox made a motion to read all old business by title only, seconded by Councilor Eggers. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Common Council Ordinance No.: 17-09 An Ordinance Declaring Dormant Funds and Transferring Balances to Active Funds – Mayor Barnett stated this was introduced and explained at the previous meeting. Councilor Wertz made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Heuchan. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Common Council Ordinance No.: 17-10 Establishing and Adopting a Conflict of Interest Policy – City Attorney Gray asked that this ordinance be removed from the agenda, as a new ordinance with added information is being brought forward under new business. Councilor Austin made a motion to remove this item, seconded by Councilor Wertz. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

New Business

Council President Fox made a motion to read all new business by title only, seconded by Councilor Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Common Council Budgetary Resolution No.: 17-10 Authorizing a Transfer from Telecommunications Services 300 to Telecommunications Supplies 200 in the amount of \$2,498.75 - Mayor Barnett stated this transfer is to purchase updated iPads for council members. Council President Fox made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Eggers. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Common Council Ordinance No.: 17-11 An Ordinance of the City of Franklin Establishing and Adopting a Conflict of Interest Policy and Code of Ethics - City Attorney Lynn Gray stated that after the last meeting she found some ordinances from other communities that she was able to get further information from. Ms. Gray explained the ^{9:34} ~~rest~~ of this ordinance as far as donations that could be accepted, and this is just for introduction only tonight. Ms. Gray stated that the second part of this ordinance is directed more toward the engineering department regarding the code of ethics, in regards to hiring contractors and accepting gifts or donations from said contractors. A discussion was held. This will be brought back at the first meeting in January for approval.

Other Business

Council Appointees for 2018 - Plan Commission Current Appointee: Joe Abban; Redevelopment Commission Current Appointees: Keith Fox & Richard Wertz; Telecommunications Commission Current Appointees: Phil Rainey & Matt Sprout - All of these terms end as of 12/31/17 - For Informational Purposes Only – Mayor Barnett stated that these positions would be filled at the January 8th meeting, and he just wanted the council members to be aware of the appointments that will need to be made. Mayor Barnett also stated that elections for council president and vice president will also be at the next meeting.

Council Comments

Councilor Abban stated there was a Plan Commission meeting tomorrow evening.

Councilor Austin stated there would be an Economic Development Commission meeting on Wednesday, December 20th.

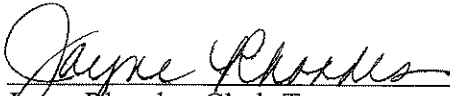
Councilor Wertz stated there was a Redevelopment Commission meeting tomorrow at 8:00 a.m.

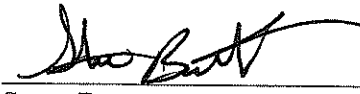
Mayor Barnett thanked the public for coming to the Council & Board of Works meetings.

Adjournment

As there was no further business to come before the Common Council, a motion and a second were made to adjourn at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Jayne Rhoades, Clerk-Treasurer
Enrolled: 12/18/2017


Steve Barnett, Mayor

Attest:


Jayne Rhoades, Clerk-Treasurer