

**City of Franklin Common Council**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**May 17, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Franklin, Indiana was called to order at 6:10 p.m. at City Hall, 70 E. Monroe Street, with Mayor Steve Barnett presiding. Council members Kenneth Austin, Daniel Blankenship, Bob Heuchan, Melissa Jones, Anne McGuinness, Chris Rynerson and Shawn Taylor answered roll call. Clerk-Treasurer Jayne Rhoades, and City Attorney Lynnette Gray were also present.

Mayor Barnett opened the meeting and asked the Clerk-Treasurer to call the roll.

Bryan Ries offered an invocation, & 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 May 3, 2021 Common Council Minutes

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

**Old Business**

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

**Common Council Ordinance No.: 21-05 Approving a Resolution of the City of Franklin Plan Commission, & Annexing Certain Property Contiguous to the Franklin Corporate Limits (to be known as Oakleaf Farms Annexation)** - Senior Planner Joanna Myers gave an overview of this ordinance & stated this was presented & a public hearing was held at the previous meeting. Councilor Heuchan read a statement regarding this ordinance, & what he thought about this annexation. A discussion was held. Council President Austin spoke about the buffer zone in the Nyberg addition. Ms. Jones stated her concern is that if we don't do something then the county could take control of this area. Council President Austin made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Taylor. A roll call vote was taken with: Council President Austin stating Aye; Councilor Blankenship stating Aye; Councilor Heuchan stating Aye; Councilor Jones stating Aye; Councilor McGuinness stating Aye; Councilor Rynerson stating Aye; & Councilor Taylor stating Aye. The motion carried 7 - 0.

**Common Council Ordinance No.: 21-06 An Ordinance Approving Resolution #21-02 of the City of Franklin Plan Commission, Rezoning Certain Property to IL (Industrial: Light) (to be known as Oakleaf Farms Rezoning)** - Senior Planner Joanna Myers gave an overview of this ordinance, & stated this was presented at the previous meeting & is ready for approval. A discussion was held. Council President Austin made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Taylor. A roll call vote was taken with: Council President Austin stating Aye; Councilor Blankenship stating Aye; Councilor Heuchan stating Nay; Councilor Jones stating Aye; Councilor McGuinness stating Nay; Councilor Rynerson stating Nay; & Councilor Taylor stating Aye. The motion carried with a vote of 4 - 3.

**Common Council Ordinance No.: 21-09 Establishing the Fund for Receipt of Coronavirus Local Recovery Funding & Appropriation of the Same** - City Attorney Lynn Gray gave an overview of this ordinance, & stated this was introduced at the last meeting & is ready for approval tonight. A discussion was held. Councilor Heuchan made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Jones. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

**Common Council Ordinance No.: 21-10 Establishing Fee for Body Camera Footage & Allow the Costs of said Fees to be Deposited into Body Camera Fund** - City Attorney Lynn Gray gave an overview of this ordinance & stated it was presented at the previous meeting. A discussion was held. Council President Austin made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor McGuinness. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

### **New Business**

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

**Common Council Budgetary Resolution No.: 21-04 Authorizing a Transfer from MVH Restricted Fund 203 - \$455,445.93; MVH Fund 201 - \$500,000.00; LRS Fund 202 - \$44,554.07 to Local Road & Bridge Matching Grant Fund 270** - Clerk Treasurer Jayne Rhoades stated this resolution is to authorize a transfer from MVH Restricted Fund 203, MVH Fund 201 & LRS Fund 202 to Local Road & Bridge Matching Grant Fund 270 in the total amount of \$1,000,000.00. A discussion was held. Councilor Heuchan made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Jones. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

**Common Council Budgetary Ordinance No.: 21-13 An Additional Appropriation Local Road & Bridge Matching Grant Fund Capital 2020 Part 2 - 270 006 400 in the amount of \$221,594.00** - Clerk Treasurer Jayne Rhoades stated this was for an additional appropriation & is

for introduction only this evening.

**Common Council Budgetary Ordinance No.: 21-14 An Appropriation Reduction Ordinance MVH Capital 400 \$500,000.00 & LRS Capital 400 \$44,554.00** - Clerk Treasurer Jayne Rhoades stated this was an appropriation reduction from MVH Capital & LRS Capital & is for introduction only this evening.

**Common Council Budgetary Ordinance No.: 21-15 Additional Appropriation Local Road & Bridge Matching Grant Fund 400 - \$1,000,000.00** - Clerk-Treasurer Jayne Rhoades stated this is an additional appropriation to cover our portion of the Local Road & Bridge Matching Grant Fund in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 & is for introduction only this evening.

**Common Council Ordinance No.: 21-11 Approving Resolution #2021-13 of the City of Franklin Plan Commission, Rezoning Certain Property to PUD (Planned Unit Development) (To be known as Homesteads at Hillview PUD Updated - 2021)** - Senior Planner Joanna Myers stated this is requesting approval of rezoning certain property to PUD (Planned Unit Development) to be known as Homesteads at Hillview. Ms. Myers stated this was for introduction only this evening.

**Common Council Ordinance No.: 21-12 Approving Resolution 2020-30 of the City of Franklin Plan Commission, Amending Zoning Ordinance, Article 3: Zoning District, Article 7: Development Standards & Article 13: Definitions & Subdivision Control Ordinance, Article 6: Subdivision Standards (to be known as Zoning Ordinance & Subdivision Control Ordinance Amendments - 2021)** - Senior Planner Joanna Myers gave an overview of this ordinance, & stated it was for introduction only this evening.

**Yearly Tax Abatement Compliance Reports for Approval** - Community Development Specialist Dana Monson read the following tax abatement compliance reports: C 2021-11 Brookside-Chartlife & C2021-24 Airtronic. Ms. Monson stated the Economic Development Commission found both of these tax abatement compliance reports to be in substantial compliance & forwarded them to the City Council with favorable recommendations. A discussion was held. Councilor Jones made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Taylor. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

### **Other Business**

There was no other business presented.

**Council Comments**

Councilor McGuinness stated she was glad to see the festivals coming back.

Councilor Heuchan stated that he would not be present at the next meeting.

Council President Austin thanked Police Chief Cochran for the traffic control at the interstate.

**Adjournment**

As there was no further business to come before the Common Council, a motion and a second were made to adjourn at 6:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jayne Rhoades, Clerk-Treasurer  
Enrolled:5/19/2021

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Steve Barnett, Mayor

Attest:

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Jayne Rhoades, Clerk-Treasurer