

**City of Franklin Common Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
March 7, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Franklin, Indiana was called to order at 6:20 p.m. at City Hall, 70 E. Monroe Street, with Mayor Steve Barnett presiding. Council members Kenneth Austin, Bob Heuchan, Melissa Jones, Anne McGuinness, Irene Nalley, Josh Prine 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**

Joanna Tennell stated previously there had been requests for training in what the Planning & Zoning Department did. Ms. Tennell stated the American Citizens Planner offered this training & council members Irene Nalley, Josh Prine, & Lisa Jones attended, & Plan Commission member Charlotte Sullivan attended. Ms. Tennell thanked them for their interest in this training.

Mayor Barnett reminded everyone that this Thursday will be the State of the City address at the Garment Factory at 11:30 a.m. with doors opening at 11:00 a.m.

**Consent Agenda**

Mayor Barnett presented the consent agenda for approval.

- Approval of the February 22, 2022 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**

There was no old business presented.

**New Business**

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

**Common Council Resolution No.: 22-02 Resolution to Opt Back in to Opioids Settlement pursuant to Indiana Code 4-6-15-2** - City Attorney Lynn Gray gave an overview of this resolution & stated why she thought the City should opt back into the Opioids Settlement at this time. A discussion was held. Council President Austin made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Taylor. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

**Common Council Budgetary Ordinance No.: 22-06 An Additional Appropriation ARP Grant Fund Services 300 - \$30,000.00** - Clerk Treasurer Jayne Rhoades stated this is an additional appropriation ARP Grant Fund Services, & gave an overview of this ordinance. Ms. Rhoades stated this is for introduction only tonight. A discussion was held.

**Request Approval & Signature on 2022 Sponsorships for the DriveHubler.com Amphitheater at Youngs Creek Park** - Parks Superintendent Chip Orner stated he is requesting approval & the Mayors signature for 2022 Sponsorships for the DriveHubler.com Amphitheater at Youngs Creek Park. A discussion was held. Councilor Prine made a motion to approve & have the Mayor sign on behalf of the Council, seconded by Councilor Jones. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

#### **Other Business.**

There was no other business presented.

#### **Council Comments**

Councilor Prine thanked Parks Superintendent Orner & Holly Johnston of the Parks Department for their work in getting sponsorships for the Amphitheatre.

Councilor McGuinness congratulated the Franklin Boys basketball team for winning the recent sectional.

Mayors Youth Council members present were Shelby Gill, Emma Williams, Morgan Harvey & Jolie Engellau. Ms. Gill gave an update regarding their downtown WiFi project & stated they had been presented with a project regarding the roundabout that is going in by the high school, & they are working on finding other service projects.

#### **Adjournment**

As there was no further business to come before the Common Council, a motion and a second were made to adjourn at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jayne Rhoades, Clerk-Treasurer  
Enrolled: 3/11/22

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Steve Barnett, Mayor

Attest:

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