

City of Franklin Common Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 7, 2019

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, Kenneth Austin, Daniel Blankenship, Andrew Eggers, Bob Heuchan, and Richard Wertz answered roll call. Clerk-Treasurer Jayne Rhoades, Records Clerk Kathy Cragen, City Attorney Lynnette Gray were also present. Council Member Danny Richards was absent.

Councilor Wertz 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

Election of Council President & Vice-President; Appointment of two RDC Members; Appointment of two Telecommunications Members; Appointment of one Planning & Appointment of one BZA Member - Mayor Barnett announced all appointments to be made, and opened the floor for nominations.

Councilor Abban made a motion to re-elect Councilor Austin as Council President, seconded by Councilor Heuchan. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Councilor Abban made a motion to re-elect Councilor Eggers as Vice-President, seconded by Councilor Heuchan. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Councilor Eggers made a motion to re-appoint Councilor Wertz, and Keith Fox to the RDC, seconded by Council President Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Councilor Abban made a motion to re-appoint Phil Rainey & Matt Sprout to the Telecommunications Commission, seconded by Councilor Wertz. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Council President Austin made a motion to re-appoint Councilor Abban to the Plan Commission, seconded by Councilor Eggers. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Councilor Eggers made a motion to re-appoint Phil Barrow to the Board of Zoning Appeals, seconded by Council President Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Mayor Barnett stated that earlier this evening the Board of Works approved the job description for a Police Captain position, and that Lt. Kerry Atwood has been doing this job, so they would like to officially promote him to Captain. Mayor Barnett swore in Police Captain Kerry Atwood.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Barnett presented the consent agenda for approval.

- o Approval of the December 17, 2018 Common Council Minutes

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

Old Business

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

Public Hearing

Common Council Ordinance No.: 18-14 Rezoning to be Known as Bastin Logan Rezoning - Senior Planner Joanna Myers stated this was presented at the previous meeting, and is back at this time for a public hearing. Ms. Myers stated they are asking for rezoning of three acres off Graham Rd. Mayor Barnett opened the floor for public hearing, no one asked to speak. A discussion was held. Councilor Wertz made a motion to approve, seconded by Council President Austin. 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 Wertz. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Common Council Budgetary Resolution No.: 19-01 Authorizing a Transfer from MVH Fund 201 to MVH 203 in the amount of \$79,636.70 - Clerk-Treasurer Jayne Rhoades stated this is to request a transfer from MVH Fund 201 to MVH Fund 203 which was prompted by a directive from the State Board of Accounts which stated that this money must be kept in a restrictive fund. Councilor Abban made a motion to approve, seconded by Council President Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Other Business

Mayor Barnett asked City Engineer Richards to give a summary of bids that were opened today for construction of the new City Court. Mr. Richards stated that bids were opened today for the new City Court, there were five bids received, with base bid includes moving current bench & alternate bids which includes construction of a new bench. Rafferty Construction, Inc. \$1,186,760.00 alternate \$17,050.00. ; S & B Construction Group base bid \$984,974.00 alternate \$41,150.00; Boyle Construction Mgmt. base bid of \$1,069,000.00 alternate \$53,523.00; SCS Construction base bid \$985,700.00 alternate \$50,900.00; Meyer Nagem base bid \$1,128,000.00 alternate bid \$6,770.00. Mr. Richards stated these bids will be taken under advisement subject to legal review and appropriation of funding. A discussion was held.

Mayor Barnett reminded everyone there would be a joint Council & RDC meeting on January 28th at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers to go over projects for the coming year.

Council Comments

Councilor Blankenship congratulated Kerry Atwood for his promotion to the Police Captains position.

Councilor Heuchan stated that the January 28th special meeting would be a public meeting with discussions concerning a lot of projects on the table for this year, and he would like to encourage people to attend.

City Attorney Gray stated that she spent about two hours today listening to a Federal Trade Communications Commission order dealing with small cell towers that are going to be coming to our area. Ms. Gray stated that the problem will be local entities cannot preempt these small cell towers, they will be allowed to be placed on any of our buildings, poles etc., with no limitations at this time. Ms. Gray also stated there is an estimate of 60 small cell tower per square mile of town per carrier with four carriers in this area, these cell towers are around 28 cubic feet. Ms. Gray stated we need to think about what is going to happen in the future. A discussion was held.

Adjournment

As there was no further business to come before the Common Council, a motion and a second were made to adjourn at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jayne Rhodes

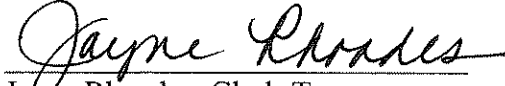
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Jayne Rhoades, Clerk-Treasurer
Enrolled: 1/11/2019



Steve Barnett, Mayor

Attest:



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