

FRANKLIN CITY COUNCIL
DECEMBER 17, 2018

Members of the Franklin City Council met in regular session on Monday, December 17, 2018, 6:00 p.m. at the Franklin City Building, Mayor Todd Hall presiding.

Roll call showed:

Denny Centers	present
Paul Ruppert	present
Brent Centers	present
Todd Hall	present
Michael Aldridge	present
Debby Fouts	present
Matt Wilcher	present

There was one visitor and no press at tonight's meeting. Also present: Mrs. Amy Miller, Assistant to the Finance Director; Mr. Ross Coulton, Assistant Safety Director; Mrs. Karisa Steed, Assistant to the City Manager; Mr. Steve Inman, Public Works Director; Mr. Barry Conway, City Engineer; Mr. Russ Whitman, Police Chief; Officer Patrick Holland; Mr. Jonathan Westendorf, Fire Chief; Mr. Sonny Lewis, City Manager and Mrs. Jane McGee, Clerk of Council.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Karisa Steed.

Mr. Ruppert made the motion to approve the Clerk's Journal and accept the tapes as the Official Minutes of the December 3, 2018 regular meeting; seconded by Mrs. Fouts. The vote:

Mr. Ruppert	yes
Mr. B. Centers	yes
Mayor Hall	yes
Mr. Aldridge	abstain
Mrs. Fouts	yes
Mr. Wilcher	yes
Mr. D. Centers	yes

Motion passed.

RECEPTION OF VISITORS

There were no visitor remarks.

PROCLAMATION RECOGNITION OF MR. WM. "TOMMY" ROBERTS & MR. THOMAS ROACH

Mayor Hall and Council presented Mr. Roberts & Mr. Roach a Proclamation recognizing their assistance to Officer Holland in the recent incident of a person possibly overdosing on drugs.

Mayor Hall added we appreciate what both of you did. Chief Whitman stated we're also proud of what they did.

Chief Whitman then presented Mr. Roberts and Mr. Roach with the 'Departmental Coin' from the Police Department.

PUBLIC HEARING ORDINANCE 2018-23 AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, OHIO, TO REZONE APPROXIMATELY 0.3652 ACRES, LOCATED AT 1210 S. DIXIE HIGHWAY, FROM R-3, CENTRAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT, TO C-2, COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT

Mr. Conway stated that Denise Lykins requested this rezoning for the property located at 1210 S. Dixie Highway, from R-3, Central Residential District, to C-2, Community Commercial District. It is approximately 0.3652 acres. The Planning Commission at its November 12, 2018 meeting, held a Public Hearing and voted unanimously (7-0) to make a recommendation to Council to approve the rezoning.

Mr. D. Centers asked if there are any plans for the property. Mayor Hall stated they want to sell it and have people interested in the property.

Mayor Hall opened the Public Hearing and asked if there are any comments. There being none, he closed the Public Hearing.

Mr. D. Centers made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-23; seconded by Mr. Ruppert. The vote:

Mr. B. Centers yes
Mayor Hall yes
Mr. Aldridge yes
Mrs. Fouts yes
Mr. Wilcher yes
Mr. D. Centers yes
Mr. Ruppert yes

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2018-68 AMENDING RESOLUTION 2018-65 ESTABLISHING THE ORGANIZATIONAL LISTINGS AND PAY RATES FOR CITY OF FRANKLIN OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES FOR THE YEAR 2019

Mr. Lewis stated that this establishes the salary for the City Manager and the Clerk of Council. It is a 3% increase, the same as the other employees and also their share of the insurance premium increases to 15%.

Mr. B. Centers asked if this includes a car allowance. Mr. Lewis stated no.

Mr. Wilcher made the motion to adopt Resolution 2018-68; seconded by Mr. Aldridge. The vote:

Mayor Hall yes
Mr. Aldridge yes
Mrs. Fouts yes
Mr. Wilcher yes
Mr. D. Centers yes
Mr. Ruppert yes
Mr. B. Centers yes

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2018-69 DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ADDENDUM #3 TO THE CITY MANAGER EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Hall stated, as we discussed, this is Addendum #3 to the City Manager's Employment Agreement. It is for two years, 2019 and 2020. The City Manager's salary will increase 3% each year.

Mr. Aldridge made the motion to adopt Resolution 2018-69; seconded by Mrs. Fouts. The vote:

Mr. Aldridge yes
Mrs. Fouts yes
Mr. Wilcher yes
Mr. D. Centers yes
Mr. Ruppert yes
Mr. B. Centers yes
Mr. Aldridge yes

Motion passed.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

Mr. Lewis stated at the last meeting, there was discussion that on Second Street, going out towards I-75, along the curb, the pavement is buckling and needs looked at. We will be paving it, 6’ from the curb, from Victory Lane to Deardoff Road. We think there was some kind of work done there previously, causing it to buckle. We will grind and pave it.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Wilcher stated that it’s been a great year and thanked Council and staff, great to work with everyone. Also, Happy Holidays.

Mr. D. Centers stated it’s been a great year. Also, what is happening on Sixth Street, by the bridge? Mr. Lewis stated that work is being done by the State.

Mrs. Fouts stated she’s happy that Mr. Lewis will be here for the next several years and we have a great Council. Happy Holidays and the downtown is beautiful.

Mr. Ruppert thanked staff – you make our job easy. It’s been a pleasure working with all, Happy Holidays and thanks.

Mr. Aldridge asked about the temporary signs by the highway – can we fine them and is there anything we can do. Mr. Lewis stated we have no control of them if they are out of the right-of-way. Mr. Aldridge wished everyone Merry Christmas.

Mr. B. Centers echoed Mr. Wilcher’s comments; appreciate working with staff and Council. Also, thanks to Mrs. Miller for stepping up this year. Merry Christmas to everyone.

Mayor Hall stated on Union Road, by the Junior High School, towards 733 Union, the road is sinking. Mr. Roberts and Mr. Roach did something most people wouldn’t and we appreciate what you did. Merry Christmas to everyone. Also, enjoy working with Council; staff has done a wonderful job, we appreciate it and things will start to happen in the City in 2019. Merry Christmas to all and thanks to Mr. Ruppert’s wife for the candy.

Mr. Aldridge made the motion to adjourn; seconded by Mrs. Fouts. The vote:

Mrs. Fouts yes
Mr. Wilcher yes
Mr. D. Centers yes
Mr. Ruppert yes

Mr. B. Centers yes
Mayor Hall yes
Mr. Aldridge yes

Motion passed.

Mayor Hall adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Mayor

Jane McGee, Clerk of Council