

**FRANKLIN CITY COUNCIL  
OCTOBER 21, 2019**

Members of the Franklin City Council met in regular session on Monday, October 21, 2019, 6:00 p.m. at the Franklin City Building.

Roll call showed:

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

There were three visitors and no one from the press at tonight's meeting. Also, present: Russ Whitman, Police Chief; Barry Conway, City Engineer; Steve Inman, Public Works Director; Ross Coulton, Assistant Safety Director; Lynnette Dinkler, Law Director; Sonny Lewis, City Manager and Jane McGee, Clerk of Council.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chief Whitman.

Mrs. Fouts made the motion to approve the Clerk's Journal and accept the tapes as the Official Minutes of the October 7, 2019 regular meeting; seconded by Mr. Wilcher. The vote:

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

Motion passed.

**RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

Doug Greathouse, 41 W. Sixth Street, stated he a problem with water backing up at his residence and the Service Department fixed it – kudos to them.

**PRESENTATION TIM ABBOTT – DUKE ENERGY**

Mr. Abbott thanked Mr. Lewis and staff as he's worked with them for the past 35 years and for all they do. On behalf of the Duke Energy Foundation, he presented a \$5,000 check for the downtown. Mayor Hall and Council thanked Mr. Abbott.

**PUBLIC HEARING ORDINANCE 2019-17 ACCEPTING AN EASEMENT FROM RONALD J. BRUNA AND BEVERLY J. BRUNA TO REPLACE ASTORM SEWER ON SHAWN DRIVE**

Mr. Conway stated that the next three ordinances are for the same project, replacing a storm sewer on Shawn Drive. The existing storm sewer is too small to handle the drainage area. WG Stang was awarded the bid thru Warren County.

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

Mr. D. Centers made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-17; seconded by Mr. Aldridge. The vote:

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

Motion passed.

**PUBLIC HEARING ORDINANCE 2019-18 ACCEPTING AN EASEMENT FROM POWERS FAMILY PRESERVATION TRUST DTD TO REPLACE A STORM SEWER ON SHAWN DRIVE**

Mayor Hall opened the Public Hearing. There being no comments, he closed the Public Hearing.

Mr. Aldridge made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-18; seconded by Mr. Wilcher. The vote

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

Motion passed.

**PUBLIC HEARING ORDINANCE 2019-19 ACCEPTING AN EASEMENT FROM DONALD P. POWERS AND NORMA K. POWERS TO REPLACE A STORM SEWER ON SHAWN DRIVE**

Mayor Hall opened the Public Hearing. There being no comments, he closed the Public Hearing.

Mr. Wilcher made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-19; seconded by Mrs. Fouts.

The vote:

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

Motion passed.

**PUBLIC HEARING ORDINANCE 2019-20 AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE PART OF A 30-FOOT WIDE DRAINAGE EASEMENT ON LOT 37 OF THE TWIN LAKES PUD – SECTION ONE SUBDIVISION**

Mr. Conway stated that the property owner wants to vacate the 30-foot drainage area as he wants to put in a pool. Mr. Conway added that there will be no problems for the surrounding area.

Mr. D. Centers stated he has no concerns and that the property owner is present tonight, Chris Saporito.

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

Mr. D. Centers made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-20; seconded by Mr. Aldridge. The vote:

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

Motion passed.

ORDINANCE 2019-23    EMERGENCY            AMENDING AND ENACTING CERTAIN SECTIONS IN  
TITLE SEVEN, PART 13 OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN CODIFIED ORDINANCES, THE PROPERTY  
MAINTENANCE CODE

Mrs. Dinkler stated that this is to correct some minor errors. As this is an emergency, the permanent ordinance will also be introduced tonight.

Mr. Aldridge made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-23; seconded by Mrs. Fouts. The vote:

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

Motion passed.

THIRD READING    RESOLUTION 2019-54    PROVIDING INTENT OF CITY COUNCIL UNDER  
CHARTER SECTION 3.03(I) TO DISPENSE WITH COMPETITIVE PUBLIC BIDDING REGARDING  
THE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY AND DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING COMPLIANCE  
WITH CHARTER SECTION 3.03(I)

Mrs. Dinkler stated that she wanted to let Council know that only two readings are required, but we've had three readings to make sure we've given all a chance to respond.

Mayor Hall read Resolution 2019-54 for the third time.

INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION

Mayor Hall introduced the following legislation. Public Hearings will be held at the November 4, 2019 meeting.

Ordinance 2019-21    Amending Section 1111.08 Signs of the City of Franklin Unified Development Ordinance

Ordinance 2019-22 Amending Section 1113.07 Supplemental Regulations of the City of Franklin Unified Development Ordinance

Ordinance 2019-24 Amending and Enacting Certain Sections in Title Seven, Part 13 of the City of Franklin Codified Ordinances, the Property Maintenance Code

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

Mr. Lewis stated he had no report tonight.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Wilcher thanked Mr. Saporito for coming to tonight’s meeting.

Mr. D. Centers had no comments tonight.

Mrs. Fouts had no comments tonight.

Mr. Aldridge stated the 4<sup>th</sup> Street Pumpkin Bash went very well and thanked the Vineyard Church, Fire Department, Service Department and all the volunteers for helping with the event. Great job by all. The movie was great and there was a good turnout for the pumpkin roll.

Mayor Hall seconded Mr. Aldridge’s comments and thanks to the Vineyard Church for all they do for the City. We need to continue the pumpkin roll – amazing how many turn out for it. Also, there were a lot of people who stayed for the movie and he’s sorry he couldn’t stay. We need to continue with doing that and appreciate all that helped.

Mr. D. Centers made the motion to enter into executive session to discuss pending litigation involving New York New York before the Warren County Court of Common Pleas and the Ohio Liquor Commission and to consider the sale of property for public purposes, with no action afterwards; seconded by Mrs. Fouts. The vote:

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

Motion passed.

Mayor Hall and Council entered into executive session to discuss pending litigation involving New York New York before the Warren County Court of Common Pleas and the Ohio Liquor Commission and to consider the sale of property for public purposes, with no action afterwards. Mayor Hall later reconvened and adjourned the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

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Todd Hall, Mayor

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Jane McGee, Clerk of Council