

**FRANKLIN CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 19, 2011**

Members of the Franklin City Council met in regular session on Monday, September 19, 2011, 6:00 p.m. at the Franklin Municipal Building, Mayor Denny Centers presiding.

Roll call showed:

Scott Lipps	present
Jason Faulkner	present
Bob Knipper	present
Denny Centers	present
Carl Bray	present
Michael Aldridge	present
Todd Hall	present

There was 1 member of the press and 6 visitors at tonight's meeting. Also present: Mr. Russ Whitman, Police Chief; Ross Coulton, Police Captain; Mr. Mike Perry, Fire Lieutenant; Ms. Donnette Fisher, Law Director; Mr. Sonny Lewis, City Manager; and Mrs. Jane McGee, Clerk of Council.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Doug Greathouse.

Mr. Hall made the motion to approve the Clerk's Journal and accept the tapes as the official Minutes of the August 15, 2011 regular meeting; seconded by Mr. Aldridge. The vote:

Mr. Faulkner	yes
Mr. Knipper	yes
Mr. Centers	yes
Mr. Bray	yes
Mr. Aldridge	yes
Mr. Hall	yes
Mr. Lipps	yes

Motion passed.

Mr. Faulkner made the motion to approve the Clerk's Journal and accept the tapes as the official Minutes of the September 8, 2011 special meeting; seconded by Mr. Knipper. The vote:

Mr. Knipper	yes
Mr. Centers	yes
Mr. Bray	yes
Mr. Aldridge	yes
Mr. Hall	abstain
Mr. Lipps	yes
Mr. Faulkner	yes

Motion passed.

RECEPTION OF VISITORS

None tonight.

RESOLUTION 2011-38 ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND TAX RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE WARREN COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE WARREN COUNTY AUDITOR

Ms. Fisher stated that this is the final step in the tax budget process. The amounts are set by the County and then approved by the City. In 2012, there is a small increase to the amount of property tax certified & will receive approximately \$7,000 more - this is less than what was received in 2009. Also in 2012, Local Government Funds will be \$163,000.00

Mr. Bray made the motion to adopt Resolution 2011-38; seconded by Mr. Hall. The vote:

- Mr. Centers yes
- Mr. Bray yes
- Mr. Aldridge yes
- Mr. Hall yes
- Mr. Lipps yes
- Mr. Faulkner yes
- Mr. Knipper yes

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2011-39 AWARDING THE BID AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT WITH NORMAC, LLC FOR THE 2011 MUNICIPAL PAVING PROJECT

Mr. Lewis stated that bids were opened September 14, 2011 for the 2011 Street Paving Project.

Bids received:

	<u>Road Work Bid</u>	<u>Park Bid</u>	<u>Total Bid</u>
Normac LLC	\$266,941.50	\$52,237.60	\$319,179.10
Barrett Paving	\$278,776.60	\$52,942.00	\$331,718.60
Jurgensen	\$319,086.00	\$60,885.68	\$379,971.68

Normac is the low bid with \$319,179.00. We are very pleased with the bids and we will be able to add another street up to \$31,000 – haven’t decided yet on which street.

Mr. Bray questioned the Park bid and if the Township has been asked to help with the cost. Mr. Lewis stated we are only doing the front parking lot and it is being paid out of the Dial Trust Fund. The Township has not been asked as we are using proceeds from the Dial Trust Fund which has to be used at the Park.

Mr. Faulkner questioned the Jurgensen bid being so high and asked Mr. Lewis if he was surprised. Mr. Lewis stated no, that the plant is used for the work being done on I-75. Mr. Lipps asked if

Normac has been used before. Mr. Lewis stated yes, is the former Armrel Byrnes Company - same people, new name.

Mr. Bray made the motion to adopt Resolution 2011-39; seconded by Mr. Knipper. The vote:

Mr. Bray yes
Mr. Aldridge yes
Mr. Hall yes
Mr. Lipps yes
Mr. Faulkner yes
Mr. Knipper yes
Mr. Centers yes

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2011-40 AWARDING THE BID AND AUTHORIZING THE
EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT WITH KOORSEN FIRE & SECURITY FOR THE
DIVISION OF FIRE BREATHING AIR COMPRESSOR & CASCADE FILLING STATION
PROJECT

Mr. Mike Perry, Fire Lieutenant, stated in April 2011, we were awarded the 2010 Assistance to Firefighters Grant for the purchase of an air compressor and cascade filling station.

Bids received were:

	<u>Koorsen Fire & Security</u>	<u>Finley Fire Equipment</u>	<u>Sub-Aquatics</u>	<u>Warren Fire Equipment</u>
Make	Mako	Eagle	Bauer	Scott
Model	BAM 06H3	BH10F-3	UNIII/13H-E3	Determined
Base Bid	\$35,465.00	\$37680.12	\$44,935.25	To Be
Option 1	2,000.00	2,736.80	1,499.00	Non-Responsive
Option 2	Included	5,352.50	2,400.00	
Total	\$37,465.00	\$45,769.42	\$48,834.25	

Mr. Perry stated that Koorsen is the low bid at \$37,465.00.

Mr. Knipper noted the good job done by staff in finding grants.

Mayor Centers asked if we are selling the old bottles.

Mr. Perry stated no, we are still using them as they are mounted on one of the trucks. We will keep them until the truck can no longer be used.

Mr. Faulkner made the motion to adopt Resolution 2011-40; seconded by Mr. Hall. The vote:

Mr. Aldridge yes
Mr. Hall yes
Mr. Lipps yes

Mr. Faulkner yes
Mr. Knipper yes
Mr. Centers yes
Mr. Bray yes

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2011-41 AUTHORIZING REIMBURSEMENT OF UP TO \$1,000
TO THUNDER ON THE RIVER FOR THE FRANKLIN "THUNDER ON THE RIVER" BIKE
SHOW

Mr. Lewis stated that Johnny Lamb is the organizer for this event scheduled for Saturday, October 1, 2011. This is the third year for the event; City has contributed in the past and they are requesting \$1,000 for this year. Mr. Lewis recommended approving the request.

Mayor Centers stated he has been working with Mr. Lamb on this event and would like to increase the amount to \$1,250.00.

There was some discussion.

Mr. Bray made the motion to amend Resolution 2011-41, authorizing reimbursement of \$1,250.00 to "Thunder on the River" Bike Show; seconded by Mr. Faulkner. The vote:

Mr. Hall yes
Mr. Lipps yes
Mr. Faulkner yes
Mr. Knipper yes
Mr. Centers yes
Mr. Bray yes
Mr. Aldridge yes

Motion passed.

Mr. Bray made the motion to adopt Resolution 2011-41 – authorizing reimbursement of \$1,250.00 to "Thunder on the River" Bike Show; seconded by Mr. Knipper. The vote:

Mr. Lipps yes
Mr. Faulkner yes
Mr. Knipper yes
Mr. Centers yes
Mr. Bray yes
Mr. Aldridge yes
Mr. Hall yes

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2011-42 REMOVING DOT MONTGOMERY, JEFF
MONTGOMERY AND CAROL MONTGOMERY FROM THE SPECIAL EVENTS
COMMITTEE AND APPOINTING MELISSA DEHART AND AMANDA COOMER TO THE
COMMITTEE

Mr. Lipps yes
Mr. Faulkner yes
Mr. Knipper yes

Motion passed.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION

Mayor Centers introduced: Ordinance 2011-18 - Amending Chapter 924 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Franklin, Ohio, titled “Illicit Discharge & Illegal Connection Control”

Ms. Fisher stated in 2009, as part of the EPA required storm water management program, the City enacted Chapter 924. Recently, the EPA did a review of the City’s storm water management program, and recommended we add monetary penalties for violations. The monetary penalties are structured to add increasing penalties for chronic violations. The amendments are based on their recommendations and also clarified some definitions.

Mr. Faulkner asked if the monetary fines are enough. Ms. Fisher stated if we see we are having problems with them, we can adjust. Mr. Lewis added there hasn’t been any problems, but might have to revisit in the future.

Ms. Fisher noted the fines could add up over time.

Mayor Centers asked where the numbers came from and if the EPA has approved them. Ms. Fisher stated she reviewed misdemeanor penalties and other fine schedules and the EPA has approved.

Public Hearing will be held on Monday, October 3, 2011.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

Mr. Lewis reported on the following:

- Steve Dunham, Police Officer, received a \$1,500 grant for canine use
- PH Crane – expanding their process - we expedited the building permit process with NIC
- Ample Industries on Commerce Drive – recognized by Warren, Butler & Clermont Counties – Work Force One – one of two companies in Warren County as having the largest growth in Warren County
- Flu shots will be the end of the month or first of October – will let you know
- 4th Street Bridge (over I-75) is complete
- ‘Act of Kindness Auction’ – info sent to you and the money goes to the Food pantry
- Will be attending a meeting in Dayton - the Ohio Grant Corridor’s Assn - to further economic development along the river
- Saturday is the Historical Society’s dedication of the Historical Marker being placed on the bike path (along River Street); Geoff Gorsuch paid for the marker
- Received a \$12,000 grant from the Department of Public Safety for a study of dangerous intersections and recommendations will be made
- Skip Weaver from the Middletown Journal, is here tonight

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT

None tonight.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Comments tonight:

Mr. Hall stated that he is pleased to see the nice job BoxBoard is doing in the clean-up of the property; and appreciate the paving project, wouldn't have happened without the voters approving the levy in May.

Mr. Aldridge stated he received a complaint from a resident that a stop sign is needed at Arlington/Harpwood Drive; and Friday night is the first home football game.

Mr. Bray asked for an update on Scholl Road (Chief Whitman stated they are working on it, just have to catch the person, complaints received about noisy tires, etc); and any update on the house (NIC is checking on).

Mr. Lipps stated he has nothing tonight.

Mr. Faulkner thanked everyone for coming; Robin Bradley asked if it is okay for the Girl Scout Troop to come to a future Council meeting to do the pledge; JEMS update - the chase car was to cease, the JEMS Chief was to fill the 6th position, received info from the County that JEMS will break even this year and will have some kind of carryover balance, allowing overtime to fill the 6th position so the Chief can do day-to-day activities

Mr. Knipper thanked everyone for coming; nice to see Mr. Humphries tonight; thanks to the fire & police departments in helping with finances; asked about the vandalism in the Park (Mr. Lewis stated will be putting up a sign offering a reward for info leading to the arrest & conviction of person(s)- the Park & AAA Wastewater are putting up \$500- need to stop the vandalism in the park, its every night – want to stop, catch and prosecute them); Franklin Football team is 4-0, play Bellbrook Friday night, will be recognizing the veterans.

Mayor Centers stated the next Finance Committee meeting is Monday, October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m.; water tower looks terrible (will be cleaning & coating the tank); graffiti now on the wall at I-75; do we need more surveillance or dogs to help with police affairs, been having monthly meetings on these issues (Chief will look at & report back); JD Legends, any complaints (yes, 11 the weekend of Brett Michaels & C. Morgan concert); and noted that Captain Coulton's son is also stationed in Iraq.

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

Mr. Bray	yes
Mr. Aldridge	yes
Mr. Hall	yes

Mr. Lipps yes
Mr. Faulkner yes
Mr. Knipper yes
Mr. Centers yes

Motion passed.

Mayor Centers adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk