

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
March 3, 2014

Members Present: Douglas Baker, Mayor  
Donna Fletcher, Deputy Mayor  
Samuel Lyons  
James Marshall  
Jennifer M Horne  
Ryan Rudegear  
Garnet Wood

Members Excused: None

In Attendance: E. William Gabrys, City Manager  
Tracy Jamieson, Deputy Manager  
Brian Spaid, Esq., City Solicitor  
Darla Hawke, Recording Secretary  
David R. Lord, General Authority Chairman  
Jerry Hanna, 1329 Buffalo Street  
Herb Bigley, 124 Tingley Lane  
Kim Whitten, 1324 Buffalo Street  
Russ Campbell, 1235 Chestnut Street  
Lynn Cochran, Executive Director • Franklin Area Chamber of Commerce  
Adam Guthrie, Applefest® Core Committee  
Jim Williams, Applefest® Core Committee

Mayor Baker called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA - Resolution No. 21

Mrs. Fletcher moved to approve the agenda, as presented. Mr. Rudegear seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolution No. 22 - Mr. Lyons moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 3, 2014, as presented, and the special meeting of February 6, 2014, as presented. Mrs. Horne seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

PAY THE BILLS - Resolution No. 23

Mr. Wood moved to pay the bills as presented. Mr. Rudegear seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

CITIZENS' INQUIRIES

Mr. Hanna, who was at last month's Council meeting, was in attendance to discuss a possible change to the ordinance that requires vehicles parked on the streets be moved every

24 hours. He suggested streets be posted like the City does for street sweeping. That way, the entire street can be plowed at once. Mayor Baker advised he would consider this suggestion.

Mr. Campbell asked whether commercial establishments are mandated by ordinance to recycle. Mrs. Jamieson replied that they are and that she is currently working with the County on a new Waste Management Study that is aimed at increasing recycling in the entire County. She noted she should have more information available in the next few months.

Mr. Campbell also voiced his concerns about vehicles not parking close to the curb during bad weather. He advised this creates a hazard in certain parts of the City where the streets are too narrow. One of his concerns was that emergency vehicles may not be able to get through to a residence, if needed.

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS - none.

BALL LEAGUE AGREEMENTS - Resolution No. 24

Mr. Lyons moved and Mr. Marshall seconded a motion to approve both the Franklin Area Men's Softball League and Franklin Little League Association Agreements. Motion passed unanimously. Mr. Bigley advised Council that he was presently looking into holding "Old-Timers" and "Wiffle Ball" Tournaments and, should the League need to use the concession stand during those times, he will return to Council with the request.

PARADE & PARK REQUESTS - Resolution No. 25

Mr. Marshall moved and Mr. Rudegeair seconded a motion to approve the following requests:

- April 12, 2014 • Fountain Park • Easter Egg Hunt • City of Franklin
- April 20, 2014 • Riverfront Park • Easter Sunrise Service • Franklin Alliance Church
- April 30, 2014 • Fountain Park • Arbor Day Event • Shade Tree Commission
- May 3-4, 2014 • 400 block of 12<sup>th</sup> Street • May Mart Vendor Show • Franklin Retail Association
- May 26, 2014 • 13<sup>th</sup> & Liberty Streets & Bandstand Park • Memorial Day Parade & Ceremony • VFW Post
- Wednesdays: June 25 to July 23, 2014 • Bandstand Park • Taste of Talent • Franklin Fine Arts Council (FFAC)
- June 25 to July 4, 2014 • Downtown Parks • 4<sup>th</sup> of July Festival • City of Franklin & FFAC
- June 28, 2014 • Liberty Street & Bandstand Park • LibertyFest Parade & Concert • City of Franklin
- August 2, 2014 • Riverfront Park • Alcorn/Vanderwort Wedding
- August 2-3, 2014 • Downtown Parks • Taste of Franklin • FFAC
- August 23, 2014 • Riverfront Park • Rock in River Fest/PA Stoneskipping Competition • FFAC
- September 30 to October 5, 2014 • Numerous Downtown Locations • Applefest® 2014 Franklin Area Chamber of Commerce

- May Mart • Decorative Light Poles on Liberty Street and trees in front of Diane's Gift Boutique on Elk Street • Yarn Bombing • Diane's Gift Boutique [to remain until inclement weather]

Motion passed unanimously.

## REPORTS

### Manager

- Informed Council that the 'pedestrian crossing' placard located in front of Fountain Park on Liberty Street has been removed, temporarily, during the bad weather. It will be put back up once the weather clears.
- Resolution No. 26 - Due to a new rule instituted by the PA Dept. of Community & Economic Development (DCED), Mr. Gabrys requested the City Manager and/or the Deputy City Manager be authorized to sign any CDBG-related invoices prior to their approval. Mayor Baker so moved. Mr. Lyons seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- Will need an executive session to discuss litigation.

### Solicitor

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Mayor • Appointments - None.

## COUNCIL REPORTS

### Mr. Marshall

- Will need an executive session to discuss personnel.
- Asked when Penn DOT plans to begin the 13<sup>th</sup> Street Project. Mr. Gabrys advised that the project will be put out for bid this month, with hopes it will be awarded in April. Asked if it would include Coefield's Corners. Mr. Gabrys advised that it would.
- Asked about the City's salt supplies. Mr. Gabrys advised that two loads had been received that morning.

### Mrs. Fletcher

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- Complimented Ronnie Beith on the marvelous job she did with Franklin On Ice, noting that the inclement weather did allow the sculptures to last longer. Mayor Baker added that he was informed that the businesses did extremely well also during the event.

### Mr. Lyons

- Thanked the Public Works crews for doing an outstanding job during all the recent bad weather.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Resolution No. 27

Mr. Rudegear moved to enter into executive session at 7:35 PM to discuss personnel and litigation. Mr. Wood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. The executive session ended at 8:28 PM.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Resolution No. 28 - Mr. Rudegear moved to authorize a Declaration of Taking for a portion of properties owned by Robert YaSenka and Albert Britz. Mrs. Fletcher seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT - Resolution No. 29

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Mr. Marshall moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM. Mr. Lyons seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Darla Hawke, Recording Secretary