

PRESENT: Commissioner Tommy Z. Haynes
Commissioner Scott Tippet
Commissioner Robert E. Roach
Commissioner Lynn Bowers
Mayor William I. May, Jr. (5)

ABSENT: None (0)

Following roll call, Mayor May called the Work Session to order.

Mayor May called for citizen comments and reminded everyone to use the sign in sheet.

Citizen Comments

Robin Antennuci, Executive Director of Frankfort Tourist Commission, spoke regarding the 2017 Annual Report and other current events.

Harry Carver addressed the Commission regarding the On The Table event to be held at the end of March.

Nathan Van Sickel, representing the Tanglewood Neighborhood Association, requested that the Commission reschedule the Special Meeting regarding the Frankfort Plant Board reservoir.

Joel Fischer, Chair of South Frankfort Neighborhood Association, expressed concern regarding recent work being done by Columbia Gas in the South Frankfort area.

Staff Reports

Vickie Sewell, Interim Planning Director, offered an update on the Spring Sweep and schedule of notification to citizens. Commissioner Bowers suggested citations be postponed until later in the summer giving citizens the summer months to complete work. There was no support from the Commission to postpone.

Kathy Fields, Human Resources Director, requested to add a resignation to the voting meeting agenda. The Commission agreed without objection.

Rebecca Hall, Grants/Public Relations Manager, requested to add a budget amendment to the voting meeting agenda. The Commission agreed without objection.

Travis Ellis, Police Chief, spoke about the National Night Out event coming up in August. Also, Chief Ellis reviewed a new program where citizens can register their surveillance cameras to assist the Frankfort Police Department as an investigation tool.

Bob Peterson, Co-Director of the Sewer Department, requested to add a rejection of bids to the voting meeting agenda. The Commission agreed without objection.

Commissioner Roach commended Nancy Bailey, the Paralegal, for her collection efforts. Also, offered congratulations to Jim Parrish, Director of Parks, for his recent awards and to staff for the TIGER Grant being awarded to the City of Frankfort.

Discussion Items

Marchele Jenkins, Executive Director of the Frankfort/Franklin County Senior Center, spoke about the recent activities attracting younger seniors and the many new members joining the center. Ms. Jenkins thanked the Board of Commissioners for their continued support.

Cindy Steinhauser, City Manager, and Terri Bradshaw, Director of KCDC, addressed the Commission regarding the Resource Roadmap completed by Sustainable Strategies which includes information that has been gathered by City staff and community leaders. There are a few grants available for which the City will apply and a report will be presented at the April Work Session.

Eric Chambers and Mike Carroll with Brandstetter Carroll gave a power point presentation and summary on the City Hall project renovations based on public meetings and months of research. Cindy Steinhauser, City Manager, offered to send any questions to Brandstetter Carroll once the report has been reviewed.

Steve Dawson, Finance Director, and Cindy Steinhauser, City Manager, gave a financial presentation with an update on the City's current financial status. Preliminary numbers were offered based on the pension reform bill.

Cindy Steinhauser, City Manager, spoke about the hiring of an efficiency firm, Management Partners, and how the firm could save the City money. More information will be brought to the April Work Session for consideration.

Laura Ross, City Solicitor, discussed training for boards as requested by the Commission. Ms. Ross along with Cindy Steinhauser will offer training on Open Meetings and Open Records and open to all board members. This training will begin in April or May of 2018.

Cindy Steinhauser, City Manager, spoke about the Ordinance that would remove the requirements of P.E from the Sewer Director and Public Works Director Job Title. Following a discussion, the Commission determined not to move forward with the Ordinance.

Cindy Steinhauser, City Manager, reviewed a request for a job title change from the Planning Director to Community Development Director. The Commission agreed to place the Ordinance on the voting meeting agenda for March.

Cindy Steinhauser, City Manager, addressed the Commission regarding an Assistant City Manager position. Following a brief discussion, the Board will delay the decision until after the pension bill has been finalized. This item is to be brought back to the April or May Work Session.

Cindy Steinhauser, City Manager, discussed the format of the agenda for the Work Session and Regular Meetings. No changes were made to the current format.

Laura Ross, City Solicitor, spoke about the questions from the Board of Commissioners for any future Frankfort Plant Board appointments. The Commission will review the questions and bring back in April for additional discussion.

Old Business

Commissioner Roach spoke about the city's vision statement and a possible quarterly update.

Commissioner Roach stated in the budget meeting for the Sewer Department, he would like to see where we are, where we are going, what rate increases are scheduled, projected rate increases and estimate of the consent decree being finalized.

New Business

Commissioner Bowers requested that staff investigate flooding issues between Entrada and Pradero off Hanly Lane.

Commissioner Bowers stated that for clarification purposes, that the Board of Commissioners had not made a decision whether or not to make public the FPB investigative report and believes the report should be made public.

Commissioner Roach asked that the City Manager find out if all the agencies requesting money from the City are covered under KRS or CERS Retirement, if they can get out of the system and what is the cost. Also, directed staff to determine if they are offered comp time and what are the parameters before the budget vote is taken.

It was moved by Commissioner Roach, seconded by Commissioner Haynes, to go into closed session per KRS 61.810(1)(b) property . deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property when publicity would be likely to affect the value of the property. The motion was adopted by voice vote. The meeting went into closed session at 9:40 p.m.

It was moved by Commissioner Roach, seconded by Commissioner Tippet, that the meeting return to open session. The motion was adopted by voice vote. The meeting returned to open session at 10:02 p.m.

It was moved by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Haynes, that the meeting adjourn. The question was put upon the motion and was adopted by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk