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**FRANKLIN COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION MINUTES
October 25, 2022
6:00 P.M.**

BOC: Acting Chairman Kyle Foster
District 1 Commissioner Robert Franklin
District 2 Commissioner Kyle Foster
District 3 Commissioner Elizabeth Busby

Media: Shane Scoggins, Franklin County Citizen Leader

Staff: County Manager, Derrick Turner
Planning & Zoning Director/Asst. County Manager, Matt Hailey
County Attorney, Bubba Samuels

Item 1: **Call meeting to order** - Chairman Foster called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Item 2: **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance** - Commissioner Foster led the invocation and pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

Item 3: **Approval of the Agenda** - Commissioner Franklin motioned to approve the agenda. Commissioner Busby seconded the motion. All were in favor, 3-0.

Item 4: **Public Comment:**

Cabe Lou ~~Cade~~, Carnesville - letter being sent out re UDC rezoning: what letter? 35 days from deadline to appeal/request change.

Owenby Tyler ~~Roby~~, Martin - also wanted to address UDC - is Open Public Comment to end? Other counties have more interaction or participation between the public and the Commissioners. Also said BOC employees should not be parking across the street from the BOC office; that should be for the public; employees should park behind the building. Commissioners don't say anything during Public Comment. Commissioner Franklin commented - comments would take so long everyone would have to bring their pajamas to the meeting. Commissioners had to work up something to control the length of time.



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Item 5: Fire Training Structure

Fire Association President Joe Greene - need for it; a lot to be involved (passout provided). To be built by same company as Atlanta's being installed next month. Facility will enhance the county. Cannot train too much. Already have state-certified fire safety instructors in the county. Meets all standards of ISO - improves county's insurance rates for residents. Commissioner Franklin asked about the ISO rating. He has been getting calls; Franklin County vs. Stephens County - ISO. Commissioner Busby asked about maintenance. Fire Association has already addressed their taking care of maintenance. Commissioner Foster asked about timeline - 8 to 12 months. Concrete footing; soil tests, etc. \$458,000 quote. Funded by LOST.

Item 7: Water Partnership:

County Manager Derrick Turner - County to partner with City of Lavonia; county relies on wells. Fifteen year process. Peoples & Quigley - Memo of Understanding sets tone for working together but does not commit.

Item 8: LOST Negotiations

County Manager Turner explained that all of the county's cities "get along" - Carnesville: 4.2%; Franklin Springs 5.3%; Lavonia 13.3%; Royston 11.6%; and Canon 4.2%. Very few changes from last year's figures. 61.2% BOC Have to submit to State by end of calendar year. Based upon population? Yes. (Commissioner Busby) To be voted upon in November meeting.

Item 9: Retired Educators Proclamation

Gov of Georgia Retired Educators Day = Sunday, November 6, 2022 141,000 retired educators in Georgia Photo taken with Commissioners Franklin, Busby and Foster and teacher representative.

Item 10: UDC Committee

Because Commissioner Wester is not present, this will be addressed at the November meeting (need quorum to vote).

Item 11: Financial Report - County Manager

Passout - summary (3 month period based on county's fiscal year)
911 fund - 15%; SLOS 16% - slow getting projects going; 27%



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Water (change out of water meters) - three years to replace all meters; upgrade of meters, antennas, etc., where feasible.

Item 12: Executive Session Motion by Commissioner Franklin, seconded by Commissioner Busby - affirmative vote 3-0 - Meeting convenes.

Item 13: Announcements - there were no announcements.

Item 14: Adjournment

Commissioner Wester made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Foster seconded. All were in favor 3-0.

Signed on the 9th day of January, 20²³~~22~~

Acting Chairman Kyle Foster

Robert L. Franklin, District 1 Commissioner

Kyle Foster, District 2 Commissioner

Elizabeth Busby
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Derrick C. Turner
Derrick C. Turner, County Manager

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