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**FRANKLIN COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
November 7, 2022
6:00 P.M.**

Present: Acting Chairman/District 2 Commissioner Kyle Foster
District 1 Commissioner Robert Franklin
District 3 Commissioner Elizabeth Busby
District 4 Commissioner Eddie Wester

Media: Shane Scoggins, Franklin County Citizen

Staff: County Manager, Derrick Turner
Planning & Zoning Director, Matthew Hailey

Item 1. Call to Order Chairman Foster called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

Item 2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag Commissioner Busby gave an invocation, followed by the Pledge to the American Flag.

Item 3. Approval of Agenda Commissioner Franklin moved to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Commissioner Busby seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion carried, 3-0, with all Commissioners voting in favor. The meeting agenda was approved as presented.

Item 4. Approval of Minutes The following prior meeting minutes were considered for approval: Public Hearing Minutes: September 19, 2022; Regular Meeting Minutes: September 19, 2022. Commissioner Wester moved to approve the prior meeting minutes. Commissioner Franklin seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion carried, 3-0, with all Commissioners voting in favor.

Item 5. Public Comment Chairman Foster opened the meeting for public comment.

- a. Rusty Wilson voiced his appreciation for the work done on and around Old Stage Coach Road, clearing brush and alleviating other hazards and conditions that could lead to erosion, etc.

Item 6. Items for Discussion The Chairman introduced the following items for discussion:

Item 6A. Fire Training Facility Commissioner Wester made a motion to approve the establishment of the fire training facility, utilizing local option sales tax funds (\$458,000). Commissioner Busby seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion carried, 3-0, with all Commissioners voting in favor.

Item 6B. Lavonia Water Partnership with City of Lavonia to increase county's water intake; improvement to City of Lavonia's facilities. The improvements will enable 200,000 gallons per day from City of Lavonia to start, increasing up to 1 million gallons per day. Commissioner Busby asked if County would become independent of City of Lavonia. General Manager Turner said that was a long way off (15 years); there is no long-term solution. Commissioner Franklin made a motion to approve the contract; Commissioner Wester seconded the motion. The motion carried, 3-0, with all Commissioners voting in favor.

Item 6C. LOST Certificate – County Manager Turner advised county has great partnerships with cities; county would receive 61.4% of LOST funds; Commissioner Busby motioned to approve the LOST certificate; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Wester. There was no discussion, and all Commissioners voted in favor – 3-0.

Item 6D. LMIG = County Manager Turner advised that, per County Engineer and Street Department, the entirety of North Fairview Road and Plainview Road will be improved. The projects will require an additional \$80,000, which will come from SLOS funds, and \$275,000 local matching funds. Commissioner Wester made a motion to approve; Commissioner Franklin seconded the motion. The motion carried, 3-0.

Item 6E. UDC Committee Commissioner Wester asked for more detail as to the makeup of such committee. Per County Attorney, any such meeting is subject to Open Meeting guidelines, notice given to public, etc. Commissioner Busby said committee makeup should be two BOC, two Planning & Zoning and two (or more) county citizens. Commissioner Wester noted that county citizens need some way to provide input. Commissioner Busby glad to be BOC representative on the committee. Commissioner Wester opined that citizens should set up and take lead at the meetings – to keep all in loop. Commissioner Busby made a motion to continue discussion regarding the makeup and procedure of a UDC Committee; Commissioner Franklin seconded the motion. The motion carried, with 3-0 in favor.

Item 6F. Executive Session A motion to exit the Regular Meeting was entered by Commissioner Busby; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Franklin. Motion carried 3-0 in favor. A motion to reconvene the Regular Meeting was made by Commissioner Wester; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Busby. The motion carried 3-0 in favor of reconvening the Regular Meeting.

Item 6G. Announcements County Manager Turner announced that the Board of Commissioners Fall Planning Retreat would be on November 9 from 10 am to 2 pm at the Community Center in Carnesville..

Item 9. Adjourn Commissioner Wester moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Busby seconded the motion. The motion carried, 3-0, with all Commissioners voting in favor. The meeting was adjourned.

Attachments:

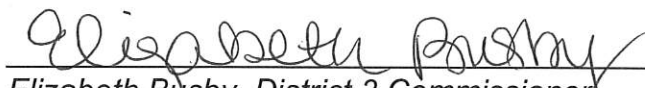
Signed on the 5 day of December, 2022



Acting Chairman Kyle Foster




Robert L. Franklin, District 1 Commissioner



Elizabeth Busby, District 3 Commissioner



Eddie Wester, District 4 Commissioner



Jane Brown, County Clerk