#### CITY OF FRANKLIN SPRINGS



City of Franklin Springs

# **Council Meeting Minutes**

January 16th, 2025

5:30 pm

Members Present:

Mayor Lee Moore

Council Members: Bill Bell, Tommy Pritchett, Tom Wilson

City Clerk: Jackie Yearwood

Operation Manager-Daniel Ankerich

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order.

Tommy Pritchett gave invocation and pledge followed.

A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Tommy Prichett with a correction to add under Fire Dept:

A-Fire Dept report

**B-Personal** 

Bill Bell seconded. Motion carried.

Tom Wilson made a motion for consent agenda approval. Seconded by Tommy Pritchett. Motion carried.

Water/Sewer/Street Report

Water pressure issue has been resolved

Police Dept

None

Fire Dept

(A)Chief Hearn reported 2 new firefighters have joined the department.

(B)Tom Wilson made a motion to appoint Sean Cowan as Captain. Bill Bell seconded. Motion carried. Sean Cowan will join Barry Beatenbough and Matt McRee as Captain.

Tommy Prichett made a motion to set qualifying fees for 2025 election. 360.00 will be for Mayor and 86.40 will be for Council. Bill Bell seconded. Motion carried.

Tom Wilson made a motion to approve the Resolution with GIRMA for PTSD and Cancer policy as required by the State of Georgia. Bill Bell seconded. Motion carried.

Line item #10 - Comprehensive Plan was tabled until February meeting

Tommy Pritchett made a motion to approve the following appointments. Tom Wilson seconded. Motin carried.

### **APPPOINTMENTS:**

Judge – Dale R "Bubba" Samuels Solicitor-Kevin McFarlin Attorney-Sanders, Ranck & Skilling Engineer-John Phillips Auditor-Rushton & Company Mayor Pro-Tem – Bill Bell

# **Employees:**

Daniel Ankerich
Marla Brawner
Jackie Yearwood
Kelly Estep
Nathan Mayo
Clyde Nichols
Brandon Ftizgerald
Tyler O'Brian
Kevin Thompson
Paul Agnew
Zane Phillips
Eric Cutshall

#### **Public Comment:**

No public comment

Tom Wilson made a motion to go into executive session to discuss real estate. Tommy Prichett seconded. Motion carried.

Bill Bell made a motion to come out of executive session . Tommy Prichett seconded. Motion carried. No action or vote was taken.

# Miscellaneous:

The results of the citizen poll to gather information on Sunday sales were announced. The results showed 79% was NOT in favor and 21 % IN favor of Sunday sales of beer and wine.

Mayor Moore announced HB581 public hearing will be coming up on January  $27^{th}$  and January 28th.

Bill Bell made a motion to adjourn. Tommy Pritchett seconded. Motion carried.

Lee Moore, Mayor

Jackie Yearwood, City Clerk

# **CLOSED MEETING AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF FRANKLIN CITY OF FRANKLIN SPRINGS

# AFFIDAVIT OF CHAIRMAN OR PRESIDING OFFICER

Levy D. Moore, Mayor of the City of Franklin Springs, being duly sworn, states under oath that the following is true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge and belief:
1. The Franklin Springs Mayor and Council met in a duly advertised meeting onJan 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2025
During such meeting, the Board voted to go into closed session.
The executive session was called to order at5:41 p.m.  4.
The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following matter(s) within the exceptions provided in the open meetings law:
Consultation with the county attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the county or any officer or employee or in which the county or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1);
Discussion of tax matters made confidential by state law as provided by in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(2)
X Discussion of real estate as provided by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(4);
Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(6);
5. During the course of the closed session devoted to exempt topics, an incidental remark regarding a non-exempt topic or an attempt to discuss a non-exempt was made.
The attempt was immediately ruled out of order and attempts to discuss same ceased immediately.
The attempt was immediately ruled out of order. However, the comments did not cease, so the closed/executive session was immediately adjourned without discussion or action being taken regarding any non-exempt topic.
Mayor, Franklin Springs
Sworn to and subscribed
Before me this 20 day of Ploruan NOTAS
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Notary Public  My commission expires: May 33 2028
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STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF FRANKLIN CITY OF FRANKLIN SPRINGS EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

ranklin Springs Mayor and Council met in Executive Session this16th day of <u>Jan</u> 025, at <u>5:41p</u> .m. at Franklin Springs City Hall.	
ne following were present:	
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arla Brawner-DDA	_
eg Hearn- DDA	

The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following matter(s) within the exceptions provided in the open meetings law:

Real Estate

Levy D. Moore, Mayor

Attest. City Clerk