

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR FRANKLIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, November 12, 2020**

A Regular Meeting of the Franklin City Council was held on Thursday, November 12, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. at the Franklin Community Center to allow for social distancing. Council members present were: Deming, Gruendemann, R. Kokesch, Scharfencamp and Sherman. Staff Department Heads present were: Pederson and Radermacher. No guests present.

At 7:00 p.m., Mayor Sherman called the meeting to order. Roll called showed all council present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Election 2020 Canvass was discussed. Bill Wiese had the highest number of votes for the 4-year council member position. Matt Mumme had the highest votes for the 2-year council member position. The open 4-year council member position had two persons tie for write-in votes. J. Deming conceded and the tie went to R. Kokesch whom accepted to fill the open position. **Scharfencamp motioned to approve the Canvass of the 2020 election, second by Mayor Sherman, RCV- 5 Yes, 0 No.**

Scharfencamp motioned to approve Resolution 2020-13, Accepting the 2020 Election Canvass and City Council Positions, second by Deming, RCV-5 Yes, 0 No

Remaining balance of CARES Fund was discussed. Two wireless headsets will be purchased. Remaining funds will be split and granted to local businesses that have been affected by COVID; AJS Longbranch Saloon \$3000, Franklin Depot \$3000, Cougar Cub Daycare \$770. **Scharfencamp motioned to approve the allocation of the remaining CARES Fund, second by Gruendemann, RCV- 3 Yes, 2 No, Kokesch and Deming.**

Discussion of the city's new personnel policy included random drug screening and having employees provide proof of current driver's licenses was discussed. Current fire and ambulance personnel will have until December 4, 2020 to provide a copy of current driver's license which will be required in order to receive paycheck. The new personnel policy is to be published on the City's webpage for reference. **Gruendemann motioned to approve random drug testing policy, second by Scharfencamp, RCV- 5 Yes, 0 No.**

R. Kokesch questioned the ability of Gruendemann to perform the duties of an EMR for the city. Liability issues were brought up. The League of MN Cities is to be consulted and an EMR Job Description will be researched.

At 8:20 p.m., Scharfencamp motioned for adjournment, second by Gruendemann, RCV-5 Yes, 0 No. The next regular meeting will be December 14, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center.

Respectfully Submitted by
Wendy Pederson, City Clerk/Treasurer