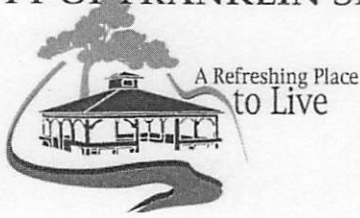


CITY OF FRANKLIN SPRINGS



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Council Meeting Minutes

September 18th, 2025

5:30 pm

Members Present:

Mayor Lee Moore

Council Members: Tom Wilson, Bill Bell, Tommy Pritchett, Josh Walden

City Clerk: Jackie Yearwood

Chief of Police-Kevin Thompson

Operations Manager-Daniel Ankerich

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order

Bill Bell gave invocation and pledge followed.

Tom Wilson made a motion to adopt the agenda. Bill Bell seconded. Motion carried.

Bill Bell made a motion for consent agenda approval. Josh Walden seconded. Motion carried.

Chief of Operation Report:

Nothing to report in operation or any on wastewater. Mayor Moore asked Mr. Ankerich you would explain to everyone exactly what type of wastewater the city is building and Mr. Ankerich replied, "its, residential; only thing I know and all I've ever heard"

Is the city building industrial wastewater treatment plant? Mr. Ankerich replied, "no"

No other questions were asked.

Police Dept

As far as the police report, Chief Thompson reported the officers have been doing an outstanding job. Mr. McKinney started with Mountain Education and does a fabulous job

there. No issues. Chief Thompson went on to thank the city leadership for all your dedication to the police department.

Under agenda item City Street Speed Zone, Chief Thompson stated him, and the officers were out patrolling, and it would be vital to reduce the speed limit around the college campus. It would include what he called the main corridor and is the following streets

Spring St
Turner St
Aaron St
Aaron St Ext.
Advocate Dr.
Franklin Heights

Right now, the city ordinances have all streets at 25 MPH but would like to reduce those streets to 15 MPH. Also requests to purchase 15 signs and 15 poles.

Mayor Moore asked about strategic locations or need for crosswalks and Chief Thompson replied he would love to see something like that.

A motion by Josh Walden was made to allow for all streets mentioned to be reduced to 15 MPH and allow for law enforcement to place pedestrian crosswalks where deemed necessary. Bill Bell seconded. Motion carried.

Chief Thompson then spoke on the results of the evidence/criminal wrongdoing. Chief Thompson stated that from 2-4 pm today, the city hall was opened for anyone to bring any proof of wrongdoing by the mayor and council and present evidence. Chief Thompson said he was present, along with a CPA and the evidence custodian, Sgt. O'Brian. No one produced any evidence during that time.

Chief Thompson went on to say outside of this, he thanks his officers and stated the police department does not play politics and have been accused of doing things from statements on Facebook and other things with no proof. He appreciates his officers taking the high road and if anyone in the public thinks he or his officers are doing anything wrong, please contact him. If it involves his officers reach out to him, and if it involves him, contact the mayor. He went on to state if his officers are doing something illegal or unethical, they will be terminated. If he is doing anything wrong, the chain of command would be to go to the mayor. This only downgrades the hard work and the determination that the officers are doing each and every day. Mayor Moore concluded by thanking him and the officers and what they do every day.

Mayor Moore then asked the council a question:

Is there a rendering plant, protein ingredient plant, processing plant of any kind coming to Franklin Springs? Each council replied "no" and Mayor Moore answered "absolutely not"

Fire Dept

No report. No one was present

A motion was made to approve the business license of Paparonni's by Bill Bell.
Seconded by Tommy Pritchett. Motion carried.

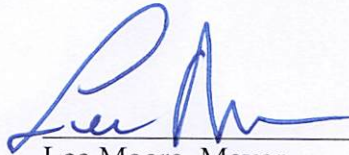
A motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve The Ark sign application. Tommy
Prichett seconded. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

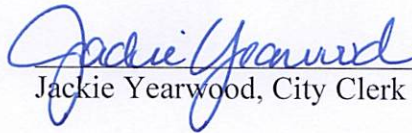
Executive Session: None

Miscellaneous: None

Motion was made by Josh Walden to adjourn. Seconded by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

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Lee Moore, Mayor

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Jackie Yearwood, City Clerk