

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
EMINENCE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

JULY 8, 2019
EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

The City Council of the City of Eminence, Kentucky met in a regular session on Monday, July 8, 2019 at 6:15 p.m. at the Eminence City Hall with Mayor Drane Stephens and the following members present: Danny Meadows, Steve Metcalfe, Fred Downey, Leo Mason, Lee Ann Armstrong and Polly Troxell. Also, in attendance were City Attorney William Brammell; City Clerk Robin Mullins; Public Works Director Matt McAllister; Major Mike Wells; Assistant City Clerk Debbie Moore; Utility Clerk Donna Rangel; Magistrate Scott Bates, Henry County Local Representative Tammy Shaw, Athletic Director Jason Tillett, and Eminence Resident Mary Hentges.

Mayor Stephens called the public hearing to order at 6:15 p.m.

Pledge of allegiance held.

Subject: County Business - Magistrate Scott Bates was present to report that the county had wrapped up the budget and everything went well. No major changes this fiscal year, but they had proposed an EMS tax for next year to fund the shortfall. Magistrate Bates hadn't heard anything on the letters sent about the signs for the problems on Mulberry and Clear Creek.

Subject: Drainage 367 Henry Street - Resident Mary Hentges was present to discuss the drainage issues with the culvert on her property at 367 Henry Street. She had discussed the issue with the previous Public Works Director William Smith and the current Public Works Director Matt McAllister with no solution to her satisfaction. She just wanted advise on how to proceed. Suggestions were made by the council, because it is private property and legally the city cannot do anything. Mrs. Hentges was given contractor information, to try to remedy the problem, by Mayor and Council.

Subject: Athletic Director – Jason Tillett, the Athletic Director at Eminence Independent Schools, was present to introduce himself to the council. Mr. Tillett is the Alternative teacher as well the Assistant Football Coach for the school. He has plans to do a First Responders Night and Weekend Warriors to get the students involved in the community.

OLD BUSINESS:

Subject: Minutes – The minutes of the previous regular session held on June 10, 2019 were reviewed. Mayor Stephens asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes. With no additions or changes noted, Mayor Stephens stated they would stand approved as presented.

REPORTS:

Subject: Police Department Report (Copy Attached Hereto) – Police Major Wells presented the monthly activity report to council. Department personnel had a total of 311 contacts for the month, with three traffic collisions. Fifty-three citations were issued on ninety-one charges. Seven arrests were made.

All officers have completed their annual Confined Spaces training.

Subject: Public Works Department Report (Copy Attached Hereto) – Public Works Director Matt McAllister reviewed the monthly activity report with council. Reported on routine activities.

Mr. McAllister reported limbs were trimmed away from the bike trail; roots were cut and removed that were making the bike trail a trip hazard and repaired with cold patch blacktop; and several potholes were filled around town.

Mr. McAllister also reported a 3” water main supplying the splash pad was repaired; services with backflow preventers were inspected and checked for correct function and operation; performed hydrant flow test for EMS gym project; and successfully submitted 2018 CCR to customers by the state deadline.

Subject: Administrative Office Report (Copy Attached Hereto) - City Clerk Robin Mullins reviewed the monthly administrative office report with council reporting that her office has collected 98% of the total 2018 billed taxes with only \$4,911.30 remaining unpaid as of July 3, 2019.

Clerk Mullins reviewed the fourth quarter budget review with the council.

Subject: Fire Department Report – Member Meadows reported that all is going well in the department. The department had 11 runs and other training hours during June for a total of 81.5 manhours. Member Meadows also reported the new Pumper arrived Saturday, June 29, 2019 and was put into service that night.

Mayor Stephens suggested the old pumper be repurposed for the Public Works Department. All council was in agreement.

Subject: Festivals Report – Mayor Stephens reported that he hadn’t heard anything from Hollie or Ed. Council decided the 5K run would not be done at the Halloween Festival but at a later date. Assistant City Clerk Moore reported Holli will get the vendor forms to City Hall by the end of the week. Council Member Troxell reported she had collected \$125.00 in advertisements.

Subject: Parks Report – Mayor Stephens reported the architect is finished with the plans and hopefully they will do the permit on site.

Mayor Stephens also reported he would like to do a permanent sign for Coach D park by August 24, 2019. Public Works Director McAllister reported they will dig the footers.

Subject: Code Enforcement Report – Mayor Stephens reported Cat was out due to personal reasons so no report was submitted.

NEW BUSINESS:

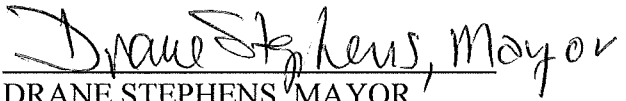
Subject: Kentucky 1-71 Economic Development Alliance – Mayor Stephens reviewed a bill received for annual dues for KY I71 Connected. The council decided not to participate.

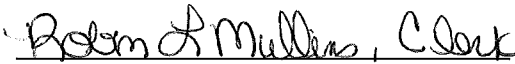
Subject: Mayor's Update – Mayor Stephens reported he is going to promote Michael Wells to Chief of Police effective August 1, 2019, due to Kevin Kemper's retirement July, 31, 2019.

Subject: Council – New Business – Member Armstrong inquired about 12-foot poles being put up next door to her residence for a basketball court. Attorney Brammell referred Member Armstrong to Planning and Zoning.

Subject: Warrants - The warrants for payment were presented and reviewed. Motion made by Member Troxell and seconded by Member Mason to approve the warrants for payment as presented. On a call for votes, all members present voted "Yea".

With no further business to be discussed, motion made by Member Troxell and seconded by Member Mason to adjourn. All members present voted "Yea". Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.


DRANE STEPHENS, MAYOR
CITY OF EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

ATTEST: 
ROBIN L. MULLINS, CITY CLERK
CITY OF EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

