

The City Council of the City of Eminence, Kentucky met in a regular session on Monday, October 12, 2020 at 6:15 p.m. with Mayor Drane Stephens and the following members present: Danny Meadows, Fred Downey, Steve Metcalfe, Leo Mason, Lee Ann Armstrong and Polly Troxell. Also, in attendance were City Attorney Bill Brammell; City Clerk Robin Mullins; Public Works Director Matt McAllister; Chief Mike Wells, Henry County Local Editor Aaron Nelson, resident Justin Wayman and Wanda Metts.

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

Pledge of allegiance held.

Subject: County Business – Magistrate Scott Bates was absent so no report was submitted to council.

Subject: Wanda Metts – Wanda Metts was present to speak about a code enforcement issue she is having with a neighbor at 5090 Jackson Rd. The property has abandoned vehicles that are not registered, licensed or covered, there is also a large pile of brush. She has been in contact with the code enforcement officer. The Mayor and Council asked Mrs. Metts to please be patient, because it will take time and they will notify her of any progress.

OLD BUSINESS:

Subject: Minutes – The minutes of the previous special sessions held on September 14, 2020 and September 30, 2020 were reviewed. Mayor Stephens asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes. Member Downey asked for a wording correction in September 14, 2020 minutes. Motion made by Member Metcalfe to approve minutes as corrected by Member Downey, seconded by Member Armstrong. On a call for votes, all member present voted “Yea”, Member Downey “Abstained”.

Subject: Second Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing the Sunday Sales of Alcoholic Beverages - Attorney Brammell held the second reading of Ordinance Number 2020-006 authorizing the Sunday Sales of Alcoholic Beverages. Motion made by Member Downey and second by Member Armstrong to adopt the ordinance as read. On a call for votes, all members present voted “Yea”.

REPORTS:

Subject: Police Department Report (Copy Attached Hereto) – Police Chief Wells presented the monthly activity report to council. Chief Wells reported Shop with a Cop has collected a total

of \$1600.00 in donations so far. The plan is to take the children to eat at McDonald's and then shopping. October 24, 2020 will be a National Drug Take Bake Day.

Chief Wells also reported Officer Patterson has resigned and his last day will be October 18, 2020.

Member Troxell reported the bodycam presentation was wonderful and she thinks everyone needs to see it. Mayor Stephens said he asked Chief Wells to look into other bodycam products before they make any decisions on a purchase. The price of the ones they looked at are about \$4,000.00 for four units a year.

Clerk Mullins reported there needed to be something in the minutes authorizing Chief Wells to open an account for Shop with a Cop, and to transfer money from the Police Department Equipment Fund for startup fees. Motion made by Member Downey and seconded by Member Meadows to authorize Chief Wells to open an account for Shop with a Cop and transfer \$500.00 from the Eminence Police Department Equipment Fund for startup fees. On a call for vote, all members present voted "Yea".

Subject: Code Enforcement Report (Copy Attached Hereto) – Mayor Stephens presented the monthly activity report to council.

Member Meadows asked Chief Wells about the progress on Crabb Ave. Chief Wells reported the judge had given him a 6-month extension and if he continues to make progress/improvements then the case will be dismissed.

Member Downey suggested Sarah inspect rental properties to make sure they are in compliance with our ordinance before water is turned on. Attorney Brammell suggested we look at the ordinances for both the water and property maintenance to make sure they have everything they need in them before we move ahead. The ordinances will need to be amended. Member Metcalfe suggested setting up fees to recoup money spent on inspections. The property maintenance ordinances will be sent to the council.

Subject: Public Works Report (Copy Attached Hereto) – Public Works Director McAllister presented the monthly activity report to council.

Mayor Stephens reported the Elmcrest will be paved by the end of October.

Clerk Mullins presented the new Pleasureville Sewer Contract Rate for review. The rate is reviewed every two years. This year the rate went down to \$1.57/1,000 Gallons.

A second leak adjustment was requested for Amanda Smith in the amount of \$74.00, a pipe and coupler were repaired. A second leak adjustment was requested for Ronneta Vargas in the amount of \$35.27, the service line was repaired. A second leak adjustment was requested for Anna Quincy in the amount of \$80.49, the toilet was running and repaired. Motion made by Member Meadows

and seconded by Member Troxell to grant a second adjustment for Amanda Smith, Ronetta Vargas, and Anna Quincy. On a call for a vote, all members present voted "Yea".

Subject: Administrative Report (Copy Attached Hereto) – Clerk Mullins reviewed the monthly administrative report.

Mayor Stephens reviewed the 1st Quarter Budget review with the council.

Subject: Fire Report – Member Meadows reported there were 2 the month of September. Everything was going well.

Attorney Brammell read a joint resolution related to Cost Recovery for Fires attended by the Eminence Fire and Rescue, Inc. Motion made by Member Metcalfe and seconded by Member Armstrong for Mayor Stephens to sign the resolution. On a call for vote, all members present voted "Yea".

Subject: Festivals Update – Mayor Stephens reported he needed to see where the council stood on Halloween. The council decided trick or treating would be Saturday, October 31, 2020 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Trick or Treaters would need to follow all State and CDC guidelines and it would be at your own discretion.

The Trunk or Treating/Cruising Event on Saturday, October 31, 2020 is not a City Sponsored event. The City will put this information out on their website, Facebook and Instagram account.

NEW BUSINESS:

Subject: Mayor's Update – Mayor Stephens requested each Council Member think about what they would like to do with a percentage of the money that is usually allotted for the Christmas Dinner. The Council decided they would like to donate \$500.00 to shop with a cop.

Subject: Council – New Business – Member Metcalfe reported Frank Marlow had requested the city give him the corner of his lot which he believes the city owns and he has taken care of since he has owned his property. Attorney Brammell said it just may be an easement but, he will look into it and see what it all in tales.

Member Mason suggested the prayer walk be done annually.

Subject: Warrants - The warrants for payment were presented and reviewed. Motion made by Member Mason and seconded by Member Troxell 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 Armstrong and seconded by Member Mason to adjourn. All Members present voted "Yea". Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

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ATTEST: Robin L. Mullins, Clerk
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