

Minutes: City Council Meeting
February 10, 2014
7:00 PM

The Elkton City Council met in regular session on Monday, February 10, 2014 with Mayor Nancy T. Camp presiding.

City Council members present: Jimmy Scott; Doug Gibson; Danny Laster; David Haley; and, David Powell. Absent: Eugene Jefferson.

Others present: City Clerk/Treasurer Laura Brock; Police Chief Jerry Pepper; Utility/Street Superintendent Terry Frogue; City Attorney Jeff Traugher; Stacy Boone, Thurman Campbell Group; Members of local Boy Scout troop; and, Ryan Craig, *Todd County Standard*.

Mayor Camp called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led the pledge of allegiance. Mr. Danny Laster gave invocation.

After reviewing the January 13, 2014 council meeting minutes, Mr. Scott motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Powell and carried unanimously.

Mayor Camp called for approval of the bills payable and financial reports. Mr. Powell motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Laster and carried unanimously.

Mayor Camp introduced Stacy Boone, Thurman Campbell Group to present the city of Elkton audited financial statement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013. Mrs. Boone stated the financial statements were given an unqualified opinion, the cleanest report possible. Mrs. Boone reviewed financial highlights of the report and stated that if anyone had questions after they reviewed the report to please feel free to call. Mayor Camp thanked her for the presentation and Mrs. Boone left the meeting.

Mayor Camp called for public comments. Mr. Ryan Craig thanked the city for keeping the sidewalks around the Square clear of snow and ice.

Clerk Brock read first reading of Ordinance 2014-1, "ORDINANCE ADOPTING COMPENSATION PLAN AND PAY SCALE." After brief discussion, Mr. Gibson motioned to approve after first reading. Motion seconded by Mr. Scott and carried unanimously by show of hands.

Municipal Order 2014-1, "MUNICIPAL ORDER AMENDING THE PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES," was presented to the council. This order amends the Personnel Policies and Procedures regarding Personal Conduct, Appearance and Hygiene, in particular forbidding visible tattoos and nose rings for city employees. After brief discussion, Mr. Powell motioned to adopt Municipal Order 2014-1 and seconded by Mr. Haley. Motion carried unanimously by show of hands.

Jeff Traugher informed the council that the Todd County Water District requested one change in the lease agreement with the city. They requested they be allowed to notify the city 90 days before terminating the lease and the city must give them 180 days' notice of termination. The lease is for \$1,000 per month on a month to month basis. Mr. Laster motioned to approve the lease agreement and seconded by Mr. Gibson. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Camp reported the roof on the building at 106 N. Main Street has been leaking. Mayor Camp received a bid from Matthews Construction to install a new rubber roof and seal the edges in the amount of \$14,478.00. There was some discussion about getting more than one bid for a new roof. Mr. Powell motioned to approve the bid of Matthews Construction even though he would like to see more bids received in the future. After discussion, the motion died for lack of a second and the consensus was to ask for more bids.

Terry Frogue reported the Water Line Extension and Replacement Project is progressing on schedule. The council received a financial report updated payments made as of this date.

Terry Frogue reported he has continued to work with McGhee Engineering on options to run sewer lines to customers on Moe Lane and Johnson Road. The best option is to run pressure lines along Highway 68 and cross over to Highway 68/80 to Johnson and Moe Lane at a cost of about \$350,000. Terry is continuing to study if existing customers will be required to connect to the sewer line immediately or only when their septic system fails. New customers will be required to connect and annex into the city limits. Frogue reported the sewer system does have money in savings and some funds in the general fund could be used. After discussion, Clerk Brock stated that using \$150,000 in reserves and borrowing about \$200,000 would mean an estimated \$2.00 per month increase in the minimum sewer charge. After discussion, Mr. Haley motioned to start the annexation process of Moe Lane and Johnson Drive. Motion seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously.

Mayor Camp presented a list of streets that need to be resurfaced in the city, as well as estimates for Johnson Drive and Moe Lane. After discussion, Mr. Powell motioned to bid out resurfacing the streets in the city limits on the list presented, including W. Jefferson Street, W. Ruth Drive, Jordan Avenue, Lasters Avenue and Shelby Avenue. Motion seconded by Mr. Laster and carried unanimously.

After discussion, Mr. Haley motioned to blacktop Johnson Drive and Moe Lane upon their annexation into the city limits. Motion seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously.

Mayor Camp recommended appointing Jean Odum to the Code Enforcement Board. Mr. Laster motioned to approve the recommendation, seconded by Mr. Haley and carried unanimously.

Mayor Camp recommended also appointing Jean Odum to the Planning Commission. Mr. Scott motioned to approve the recommendation, seconded by Mr. Laster and carried unanimously.

Clerk Brock reported there is an effort to get funding from the state to pave the park entrance and drive, however the city must first adopt it as a city street in order to get state funding. Scotty's gave the city an estimate to construct and pave the street entrance, which is 21' wide and then a 24' wide circle that would be adopted by the city in the amount of \$24,990.26. To construct and pave the parking areas around the drive would be an additional \$37,953.68, which would have to come from other sources. After discussion, Mr. Gibson motioned to adopt the park entrance and drive as a city street. Motion seconded by Mr. Haley and carried unanimously.

David Powell reported the fire department received a grant to purchase two new air packs. Clerk Brock reported Chief Cole got four written quotes for the purchase and the lowest bid was from Fire Department Services and Supply in the amount of \$9,000. The Homeland Security Grant will reimburse the city \$9,000 for the purchase. Mr. Laster motioned to proceed with the purchase of the two air packs, seconded by Mr. Haley and carried unanimously.

Mayor Camp received a request from Pennyriple Narcotics Task Force for a commitment of \$730.20 for FY 2015. Mr. Haley motioned to approve the commitment and seconded by Mr. Powell. Motion carried unanimously.

Before going into closed session, Danny Laster stated the Boy Scouts group needed to leave. Mayor Camp and the council thanked them for their attendance and they left the meeting.

Mr. Gibson motioned to go into closed session under KRS 61.810(1)(g) for discussion concerning specific proposal for the siting, retention, expansion, or upgrading of a business. Motion seconded by Mr. Laster and carried unanimously. Everyone left the meeting except the Mayor, council, attorney and clerk and doors were closed to the public.

Upon returning from closed session, Mr. Powell motioned to contribute \$30,000.00 to the Todd County Industrial Foundation. Motion seconded by Mr. Haley and carried unanimously.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mr. Haley reported that Gary Ellis did not reapply for the Park Director position. Mayor Camp reported she received one application for the position. Haley reported two bids were received for operating the concessions at the park. The Recreation Commission will be meeting Thursday night to discuss these items.

Mr. Laster called for a report from Terry Frogue. He reported water loss may be up last month because there was a lot of flushing the lines and a few water leaks.

Mr. Powell reported Carter Strader has been hired as a new fireman. The fire department had 5 fire runs last month.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Camp reported a decision needs to be made on allowing food vendors to set up on the Square during Bike Night this year. After much discussion, Mr. Haley motioned that no food vendors be allowed to set up directly on the Square. Motion seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously.

Mayor Camp also reported the Shanklin family is still interested in closing the alley behind their house on East Main Street. There was some discussion about possibly closing the alley through court action, however Mr. Traughber thinks it might be better to close the alley by consent. Clerk Brock has been in touch with most of the property owners that would need to consent to the closing and is not sure all will agree. She will try to contact them again. Mr. Scott motioned to proceed with closing the alley if all property owners consent and pay all expenses to close the alley. Motion seconded by Mr. Haley and carried unanimously.

There was no further discussion, therefore Mr. Powell motioned to adjourn and seconded by Mr. Laster. Motion carried unanimously and meeting adjourned at approximately 8:30 PM.

Nancy T. Camp, Mayor

Laura M. Brock, City Clerk/Treasurer