

Minutes: City Council Meeting  
July 13, 2015  
7:00 PM

The Elkton City Council met in regular session on Monday, July 13, 2015 with Mayor Jackie Boyd Weathers presiding.

City Council members present: Doug Gibson; David Haley; Danny Laster; Frank McReynolds; and, David Powell.

City Council members absent: Eugene Jefferson.

Others present: City Clerk/Treasurer Laura Brock; Terry Frogue, Utility/Streets Superintendent; Derrell Waggoner, Fire Chief; Daniel Smith, Assistant Fire Chief; Brian Atkinson, Police Chief; and Amy Kearns, *Todd County Standard*.

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

After reviewing the June 9, 2015 special council meeting minutes, Mr. Gibson motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Haley and carried unanimously.

After reviewing the June 25, 2015 special council meeting minutes, Mr. Laster motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Powell and carried unanimously.

Mayor Weathers called for review and approval of the bills payable and financial reports. There was discussion regarding a Cornerstone Information Systems invoice. After discussion, Mr. Laster motioned to approve the bills payable and financial reports, seconded by Powell and carried unanimously.

Mayor Weathers called for public comments. There were no comments.

Clerk Brock reported to the council that the city's engineer, inspector, and the state highway department have completed a final punch list of items for the contractor to complete for the South Streets Avenue Sidewalks Project. Once the punch list is completed and approved, Scott and Murphy will present their final pay request. Mayor Weathers reported she is contacting all the property owners on South Streets Avenue to see if they would use a mail cluster box unit on the west side of the street instead of their mailbox on the opposite side of the street. Once we gauge interest, we can decide if we should install cluster box units. Mr. McReynolds asked about driveways and which received gravel and paving. Clerk Brock reported the city repaired the driveways based on what was already installed in the driveways, for example if the property owner already had gravel, then gravel was put back in the driveway.

Terry Frogue presented a proposal from Reynolds Asphalt Sealing and Striping to paint a solid yellow line down the center of South Streets Avenue at a cost of \$750.00. After discussion, Mr. Gibson motioned to accept the proposal, seconded by Mr. Powell and carried unanimously.

Mayor Weathers reported receiving a contribution request from Pennyrile Rural Conservation and Development in the amount of \$300.00. Mr. Haley asked if the contribution was in the budget, which was confirmed by Clerk Brock. Mr. Laster motioned to approve the contribution, seconded by Mr. Haley and carried unanimously.

Mayor Weathers received a request from the Todd County Rescue Squad for the city to waive the zoning permit fee for the construction of their new facility that will be built on the Todd County Emergency Services lot on South Main Street. Clerk Brock stated the fee is about \$100.00 and the building is going to be constructed using mostly, if not all, donations from the community. After discussion, Mr. Haley motioned to waive the zoning permit fee for the Rescue Squad, seconded by Mr. Powell and carried

unanimously.

Mayor Weathers reported the agreement with the Todd County Water District will be discussed at the next meeting when Attorney Jeff Traugher is present.

#### COUNCIL REPORTS

Mr. Haley reported the Recreation Commission approved a budget at their last meeting. Mr. Frogue asked if the council has adopted the city-county park street and assigned a name. Clerk Brock stated the street has not been adopted.

Mr. Laster reported the water loss for last month has increased again up to 38%. Mr. Frogue reported he received a quote to purchase a new modern listening device to help find water leaks. We have \$3,000.00 in the budget for the purchase of a device. The quote for the device is \$3,095.00, however it is suggested that you connect the device to an iPad, which would bring the total cost up to about \$4,000.00. Mr. Frogue stated the Police Department may have an extra iPad they are not using and he may try to use one of theirs first, before purchasing a new one. Mr. Laster stated that if the device helps find the water loss, it will pay for itself in a few months. After discussion, Mr. Laster motioned to approve the purchase of the listening device up to \$4,000.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Powell and carried unanimously.

Mr. Powell called for a report from the Fire Department. Mr. Waggoner and Mr. Smith reported it was announced Friday that the department received a federal FEMA grant. Clerk Brock stated the award is for \$38,096.00 and she is unsure at the moment what purchases were approved. The application was for the purchase of new helmets, SCBAs and a cascade system.

Police Chief Atkinson passed out a department activity report for the calendar year to date. Chief Atkinson reported all officers now have a body camera and they have been using them for about a week. He invited the Mayor and Council to the department any time to view the cameras and he would show them how they work.

Mr. Gibson reported the entrance to Commerce Street needs to be rebuilt. A quote will be presented at the next meeting.

Mr. McReynolds reported the right-of-ways have not all been mowed due to the extremely wet weather and stated he understood the department has been very busy. Mr. Frogue reported his department's focus has been finding water leaks to reduce the water loss and they get to the mowing as time permits.

Mr. Gibson reported the new light fixture in the Elkton Die Casting building look really good and were a good improvement to the building.

#### MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Weathers reported discussions with property owners on the Square about parking issues. There are some issues with employees of the businesses on the Square using the spaces on the Square for their parking and leaving very few spaces for customers to use. Chief Atkinson confirmed the only local ordinance that applies to parking is that no one can be on one space for more than 24 hours. Mr. Haley stated the council needs to talk to the businesses as a group to explain the intent of parking off the Square and Mr. McReynolds stated the Square needs to be user friendly.

Mr. Laster motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Haley and carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:40 pm.

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Jackie Boyd Weathers, Mayor

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Laura M. Brock, City Clerk/Treasurer