

Minutes: City Council Meeting
July 14, 2014
7:00 PM

The Elkton City Council met in regular session on Monday, July 14, 2014 with Mayor Nancy T. Camp presiding.

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

Others present: City Clerk/Treasurer Laura Brock; Utility/Street Superintendent Terry Frogue; City Attorney Jeff Traughber; Police Chief Brian Atkinson; Fire Chief Darin Cole; Assistant Fire Chief Daryl Waggoner; Donald Settle, Elkton Die Casting Technology and Community Center; and, Ryan Craig, *Todd County Standard*.

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

After reviewing the June 10, 2014 special council meeting minutes, Mr. Jefferson motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Haley and carried unanimously.

After reviewing the June 12, 2014 special council meeting minutes, Mr. Scott motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously.

After reviewing the June 16, 2014 special council meeting minutes, Mr. Laster motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Powell and carried unanimously.

After reviewing the July 7, 2014 special council meeting minutes, Mr. Jefferson motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Scott and carried unanimously.

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

Mayor Camp called for public comments from guests. There were no comments.

Mayor Camp welcomed Donald Settle, who updated the council on repairs to the Elkton Die Casting building and other work being done, including an anonymous donor who paid for a dumpster for removing debris from the building. Greenville Recycling provided a scrap steel dumpster and is sorting through the items. Also, Tool Tec of Elkton is donating the use of their pressure washer and lift to clean the building. Glover Lock Service donated unlocking the safe, which would have cost \$300. Donald is working on leaks in the roof. He is also getting a quote from Hostettler to repair the rollup doors and an estimate from Haley Hardware on supplies needed for the new office portion of the building. The older office portion of the building is almost ready for use. There will need to be more electrical work done to drop power down to the equipment in the building. Mr. Settle reported the local State Farm Insurance office is being closed and stated this would have been a good opportunity to allow someone to use the Die Casting building for a few years to retain that company in Elkton. There are many opportunities for new businesses needed in Todd County. Mr. Settle thanked the council and left the meeting.

Clerk Brock read second reading of Ordinance 2014-4, "AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 1986-0, AND ALL AMENDMENTS THERETO." Mr. Powell motioned to adopt after second reading, seconded by Mr. Haley and carried unanimously by show of hands.

Clerk Brock read second reading of Ordinance 2014-5, "AN ORDINANCE ENACTING AND ADOPTING ZONING REGULATIONS OF THE CITY OF ELKTON, KENTUCKY." Mr.

Jefferson motioned to adopt after second reading, seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously by show of hands.

Mayor Camp and Terry Frogue presented a map showing the city and county water lines for discussion of a water line trade with the Todd County Water District. Frogue stated the Water District still has concerns about giving the city three customers on B White Road that do not want to be annexed. The city's rate for out-of-town customer is higher than the Water District rates and those customers do not want to pay more than what they are currently paying, therefore Frogue stated the city could consider adopting the county rates. Mr. Frogue also stated someone is ready to build on Johnson Lane and needs a letter from the city stating their intention to run sewer or not to the area so they can get a permit for septic system if the city does not intend to run sewer. There was no action taken. After more discussion regarding water lines, there was a proposal on the table to offer to give the city's 10" water line, water tank, and three customers on highway 68/80 (4 lane) to the Todd County Water District in return for the TCWD giving the city its water line and service territory across the Dilly Turner Property and all the customers and service territory on B White Road (South of the 4 lane), all of the service territory and future customers on all the Rose properties on the north and south side of old Highway 68/80 (2 lane) and all future customers on both sides of Beckham Road, including the corner lot to old Highway 68/80. Mr. Laster motioned to authorize Terry Frogue to present this proposal to the Todd County Water District. Motion seconded by Mr. Powell and carried unanimously.

Mayor Camp reported there were several concerns from the Todd County Sheriff's Office after first reading of the ordinance allowing golf carts on city streets. They did not want to do inspections of the golf carts and asked if the city could send police officers to become certified for inspections. Chief Atkinson stated we could get city officers certified, but it was his and Attorney Jeff Traugher's opinion that the Sheriff could not designate another department to inspect vehicles. Chief Atkinson stated he has spoken with the Sheriff's Department and they may be more willing to do inspections now after some other issues were answered by the Chief and Attorney. Second reading of Ordinance 2014-6 authorizing golf carts on city streets was tabled to allow more time to work on these issues.

Mayor Camp recommended the reappointment of Casey Williams to the Recreation Commission. Mr. Laster motioned to approve the recommendation and seconded by Mr. Haley. Motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Brock reported the Todd County Fiscal Court has once again appropriated \$2,000 this year for special projects in the city of Elkton. Brock stated last year the \$2,000 was applied toward the brick repairs to the police department. Brock stated the council can be thinking about how they want to use the funds this year. Several ideas were brought up, but it was decided not to take action at this time.

Brock presented a proposal from Thurman Campbell Group to perform the FY2014 audit of the city's financial statements in the amount of \$16,500. Brock stated this is the same cost as last year's audit. Mr. Powell motioned to approve the proposal and seconded by Mr. Laster. Motion carried unanimously.

Terry Frogue reported the city may need to replace old sewer lines while the state is constructing the sidewalk project on North Main Street. Frogue hopes the state will cover some or all of the expense, but the details have not been worked out. Clerk Brock reported McGhee Engineering requested the city assign them as the engineer for the city on this project. The contract is an hourly rate contract and Clerk Brock stated it was probably best to ask McGhee Engineering to attend the next meeting to explain the project and potential cost.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Haley reported the tennis and basketball court will be repaired and painted in the next few weeks. Haley also thanked Darrin Cole for pressure washing the courts and said Darrin did an excellent job and went above and beyond by volunteering to do the work. The inmates painted the fence around

the courts.

Mr. Laster called for a report from Mr. Frogue. Frogue reported it is time for the city to start planning some upgrades to the sewer treatment plant. The existing drying beds are not adequate and the aerator system needs updating.

Mr. Frogue also reported the Eagle Scout project by David Addison will get started this Saturday and he will be painting the foundation of the historic courthouse, yellow no parking curbs and fire hydrants.

Mr. Powell asked for a report from Fire Chief Cole. Cole reported several fire runs for gas leaks in the last few weeks.

Mr. Jefferson stated he would not introduce the newly appointed Police Chief Brian Atkinson since he has been with the city for several years. Chief Atkinson reported he does not have an incident report to present, but will have one next month. He also reported on the car break-ins in the recent weeks and stated most of the items stolen were from unlocked cars. The Department is patrolling more at night due to the break-ins.

Mr. Gibson had nothing to report, but Mayor Camp stated Ricchuite Enterprises cut some limbs from trees near the cemetery that were hanging in the street.

Mr. Scott reported the Utility/Street Department is doing a good job mowing the right-of-ways.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Camp reported the unemployment rate in Todd County was 6.8% last month.

Governor Beshear will be in Elkton on July 29th at 2 PM for a ceremony at the new Custom Cooler plant.

Mayor Camp reported discussion at the monthly Pennyrile Area Development District today focused on the military cuts that will be made in the area, which is projected to cut 16,000 troops through the year 2020. Mayor Camp reported a \$4.7 billion loss to the economy in Christian and Trigg Counties, and while they were not mentioned it will surely impact Elkton and Todd County.

Clerk Brock reported receiving approval to advertise for bids for the purchase of a new siren system through a Homeland Security grant. The advertisement will be in the paper this week and there may be a special meeting to open and review the bids.

Clerk Brock asked the council to set a date for the Christmas Parade. If the parade is being moved to a Saturday, she recommended not having it on the same day that Guthrie and Trenton have theirs, which is the first Saturday in December. The second Saturday in December was proposed. After discussion, this date was set for the parade, but Clerk Brock will verify the parade can start at the high school and that it does not conflict with other events.

Mr. Powell recommended the city look at its current bidding process. Mr. Traugher will study what other cities are doing and report back to the council.

There was no further discussion, therefore Mr. Jefferson motioned to adjourn and seconded by Mr. Laster. Motion carried unanimously and meeting adjourned at approximately 8:05 PM.

Nancy T. Camp, Mayor

Laura M. Brock, City Clerk/Treasurer