

Minutes: City Council Meeting
March 11, 2013
7:00 PM

The Elkton City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 11, 2013 with Mayor Nancy T. Camp presiding.

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

Others present: City Clerk/Treasurer Laura Brock; Police Sargent Rodney Moberly; Utility/Street Superintendent Terry Frogue; City Attorney Jeff Traughber; and, Catherine Darnell, *Todd County Standard*.

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

After reviewing the February 11, 2013 council meeting minutes, bills payable and financial reports, Mr. Scott motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Jefferson and carried unanimously.

After reviewing the February 21, 2013 special council meeting minutes, Mr. Laster motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously.

Mayor Camp asked Clerk Brock to update the council on the proposed Farmer's Market in Elkton starting this spring. Clerk Brock stated that the Health Department is facilitating the start of a certified Farmer's Market in Elkton. A committee is being formed to develop rules for the market. At first, the committee discussed having the market on Saturday mornings on Public Square. However, now they are looking for another location for the Market to be held near the Square on Thursday nights.

Mr. Jefferson motioned to go into executive session under KRS 61.810(1)(f) regarding discussions or hearings which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee, member or student. Motion seconded by Mr. Powell and carried unanimously. Everyone in attendance left the meeting except for the Mayor, council, attorney and clerk. Upon returning from closed session, no action was taken.

Mayor Camp reported the cemetery maintenance contract is set to expire soon and asked the council if they want to renew the contract or bid it out. Mr. Haley asked what the current contract amount is, which was reported as \$38,160.00 per year. Clerk Brock stated the contract expires April 14, 2013 and can be renewed for another year at the same cost or bid out. After discussion, Mr. Haley motioned to put the cemetery maintenance contract out for bid. Motion seconded by Mr. Laster and carried unanimously. It was discussed that the contract would be bid for a one year period again with the option to renew. Bids will be reported at the April council meeting.

Mayor Camp asked if the council wanted to bid out services again this year for right-of-way and other mowing services. Mayor Camp read the list of mowing items and the contract price for last year. If all items were mowed every two weeks, the cost would be about \$1,500 per mowing. Jimmy Scott reported he looked into the cost of mowing equipment to see if it would be beneficial for the city to purchase the equipment and do the mowing ourselves. Mr. Scott gave quotes for a Case and John Deere tractor and mower and found the total cost to be about \$30,000. Mr. Scott stated that Case has a financing program where you can pay for the tractor over 4 years at no interest. A zero turn mower would be about \$10,000 and two weed eaters around \$500. All of this equipment would be needed to do it on our own. Some of the equipment may be available for purchase on state contract pricing and would not need to be bid out. Mr. Frogue stated that he felt the utility/street department could handle the labor. After discussion, Mr. Scott motioned to not bid out the mowing services and to bid out if

necessary the purchase of the equipment needed to do the mowing services ourselves and buy the equipment at a cost not to exceed \$45,000. Mr. Haley seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

Mayor Camp reported the spring cleanup is usually performed by Ricchuite Enterprises each year. After discussion, Mr. Gibson motioned to contract with Ricchuite Enterprises to perform the spring cleanup. Motion seconded by Mr. Haley and carried unanimously.

Mayor Camp reported she needed to be reappointed to the Logan-Todd Regional Water Commission. Mr. Powell motioned to approve the appointment and seconded by Mr. Laster. Motion carried unanimously.

Terry Frogue reported he attended the KIA Board meeting last week for review of the city's loan application for the water line separation and Goeble Avenue line replacement project. The loan application was approved. Clerk Brock reported that KIA reviewed the city's financial statements and did not recommend a water rate increase.

Clerk Brock read a statement from the Elkton Planning Commission recommending to the city council the rezoning of property located at 402 East Main Street from B-1 Neighborhood Business to R-2 Multi-family Residential. Mr. Jefferson motioned to approve the recommendation and seconded by Mr. Scott. Motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Brock read a statement from the Elkton Planning Commission recommending to the city council changes to the text of the zoning ordinance §151.25 Planned Development Projects. Mr. Laster motioned to approve the recommendation and seconded by Mr. Powell. Motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Brock read first reading of Ordinance 2013-2, "REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED AT 402 EAST MAIN STREET IN ELKTON, KENTUCKY." Mr. Jefferson motioned to approve after first reading and seconded by Mr. Gibson. Motion carried unanimously by show of hands.

Clerk Brock read first reading of Ordinance 2013-3, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING §151.25 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ELKTON, KENTUCKY REGARDING PLANNED DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS." Mr. Laster motioned to approve after first reading and seconded by Mr. Powell. Motion carried unanimously by show of hands.

Mayor Camp reported that the city of Elkton may be the only city in the area that does not have an official Christmas Tree. Clerk Brock received quotes from Temple Display for the purchase of an animated Christmas tree. The trees are currently 33% off if you order now and pay next Christmas. The quotes were \$9,682.84 for a 14' tree and \$13,292.80 for an 18' tree. You can expand the tree in the future in 4' increments. After discussion, Mr. Powell motioned to purchase the 18' tree and seconded by Mr. Gibson. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Sergeant Rodney Moberly reported all department activity for February.

Mr. Laster reported water loss was around 8% last month.

Mayor Camp reported she and the council should have received a report from Darrin Cole requesting the city pass an ordinance allowing golf carts on the streets in the city limits.

Mr. Haley reported there was a very good group of people on the Recreation Commission right now. Also regarding the horse issue he brought up at a previous meeting, Mr. Halsey motioned the city draft an ordinance that requires all horses coming in the city must wear a bib to catch droppings and that a

\$50.00 fine is issued with about a three month warning period. Motion seconded by Mr. Powell and carried unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Camp reported the city will sponsor a free paper shredding week in the historic courthouse the week of April 15th on Monday through Saturday from 10 am to 4 pm.

Clerk Brock read first reading of Ordinance 2013-4, "AN ORDINANCE ENACTING AND ADOPTING A SUPPLEMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ELKTON, KENTUCKY." Mr. Jefferson motioned to approve after first reading and seconded by Mr. Scott. Motion carried unanimously by show of hands.

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