Minutes: City Council Meeting May 12, 2014 7:00 PM

The Elkton City Council met in regular session on Monday, May 12, 2014 with Mayor Nancy T. Camp presiding.

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

City Council members absent: Danny Laster.

Others present: City Clerk/Treasurer Laura Brock; Utility/Street Superintendent Terry Frogue; City Attorney Jeff Traughber; Police Chief Jerry Pepper; Craig Morris, Regional Planner, Pennyrile Area Development District; Mitch Robinson, Executive Director, South Western Kentucky Economic Development Council; Donald Settle, Elkton Die Casting Technology and Community Center; Jackie and Bill Weathers; and, Megan Sisco, *Todd County Standard*.

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

After reviewing the April 14, 2014 council meeting minutes, Mr. Scott motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously.

After reviewing the April 24, 2014 special council meeting minutes, Mr. Jefferson 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. Scott and carried unanimously.

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

Mayor Camp introduced Craig Morris, Regional Planner with Pennyrile Area Development District. Mr. Morris reported that he has been working with the Planning Commission and a subcommittee over the last several months on a new zoning ordinance and zoning map for the city. Public meetings and hearings have been held by the Planning Commission. He reported the Planning Commission recommended at their last meeting the new zoning ordinance and map be presented to the city council for approval. The city council members received copies of the draft ordinance and map and have had time to review. Mr. Morris stated the council can make changes or adopt the ordinance and map as presented. There was no discussion and Mr. Powell motioned to adopt the zoning ordinance as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously. Mr. Scott motioned to adopt the new zoning map as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Jefferson and carried unanimously. Mr. Morris will work with the City Attorney on drafting ordinances to officially adopt the new zoning ordinance and map.

Mayor Camp welcomed Donald Settle, who updated the council on repairs and work in the Elkton Die Casting building. Donald reported the electric service to the building has been connected and the bill is a minimum \$285 per month. Clerk Brock reported the lease states the city will pay the bill the first few months and then the council will review. Mr. Settle stated he thinks the city is being charged for the new electric contract that was supposed to have been waived by Pennyrile Electric. He will work with Pennyrile to remedy the billing. He reported there are minor roof repairs that need to be made, walls pressure washed, and he would like to get quotes to repair the roll up doors. Several volunteers have been helping Mr. Settle move in training equipment and he thanked everyone for their work.

Clerk Brock reported the police department has several pieces of equipment they are no longer using, including three Motorola laptops, 3 Motorola vehicle mounts, one Sony Handycam and five batteries, and one siren control. Fire Chief Darrin Cole has requested these items be transferred to the fire department and Police Chief Pepper has approved. After discussion, Mr. Haley motioned to approve the transfer of the items to the fire department. Motion seconded by Mr. Scott and carried unanimously.

Mayor Camp reported the PADD annual dinner meeting will be held Monday, June 9, 2014, which conflicts with the city council meeting. After discussion, Mr. Gibson motioned to cancel the regular council meeting in June and hold a special city council meeting on Tuesday, June 10, 2014 at 7 PM, seconded by Mr. Haley and carried unanimously. Clerk Brock requested anyone attending the PADD meeting to let her know so she can RSVP for the city's guests.

Mayor Camp announced she recently received notice of two grants awarded to the city. The police department received \$4,400 for the purchase of new body armor and the city received \$20,000 to replace the emergency alarm system on City Hall.

Mitch Robinson reported that Todd County Fiscal Court approved a donation to the Industrial Foundation in the amount of \$20,000 for Refine Tile as discussed at the last meeting. Refine Tile intends to purchase new equipment and hire about 10 new employees. They currently have 95 employees. Mr. Robinson is also assisting them with other funding opportunities and the Industrial Foundation is receiving CDBG funding that will be paid back and used as a revolving loan fund.

Terry Frogue reported over half the property owners on Moe Lane and Johnson Lane have signed consent to annex forms and he inquired if the city council wants to proceed with annexation. Several council members asked if the Todd County Water District has agreed to give us the water customers if they annex. Jeff Traughber felt confident they would, but does not have a firm commitment. Frogue reported he is looking at options to save money on running the sewer line to Moe and Johnson Lane. It was the consensus that we get a firm commitment from the Water District on the transfer of water customers upon their annexation and to look at other options for sewer before any decision is made.

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Mr. Haley reported the park has about \$56,000 in the bank and plans to use those funds to match future grant projects. Also, the new fence separating the tennis and basketball court is almost complete and they will start trying to fill in the cracks on both courts and seal and paint.

Mayor Camp reported there was damage done to the new paving on West Shelby Road. Someone was removing a storage building and damaged the edge of the new pavement. Scotty's indicated it may look worse if we patched the pavement. Gibson will take a look at the damage and see what needs to be done.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Camp reported the city is taking application for the CDBG Scattered Site Housing Project. Suzanne Arnold with PADD is administering the project. Applications are due by May 31, 2014.

Mayor Camp and Clerk Brock attended the Kentucky League of Cities Official's Academy in Owensboro for training last week.

Mayor Camp reported Matasla in Hopkinsville will be holding a job fair.

The unemployment rate in Todd County was 7.9% last month and better than most surrounding counties.

GED graduation will be held on May 27th at 7 PM. Clerk Brock updated the council on the quote of \$4,850 from Matthews Construction to repair the brick on the front of the police department. According to Matthews Construction, several cracked and broken bricks will be removed and replaced and joints ground out and tuck pointed. Clerk Brock stated that this is just a quote and other issues may be found while doing the work. After discussion, Mr. Powell motioned to approve the brick work to be done by Matthews Construction, seconded by Gibson and carried unanimously.

There was no further discussion, therefore Mr. Scott motioned to adjourn and seconded by Mr. Gibson. Motion carried unanimously and meeting adjourned at approximately 7:45 PM.