

Minutes: City Council Special Meeting
May 18, 2017
5:00 PM

The Elkton City Council met in special session on Thursday, May 18, 2017 with Mayor Jackie Boyd Weathers presiding.

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

Others present: Jeffrey Traughber, City Attorney; Laura Brock, City Clerk/Treasurer; Terry Frogue, Utility/Streets Superintendent; Derrell Waggoner, Fire Chief; and, Attorney and State Representative Jason Petrie.

Mayor Weathers called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm and reminded everyone that since it was a special meeting, only the items on the agenda could be discussed.

AGENDA

1. Second Reading Ordinance 2017-04 – Ordinance Amending Compensation Plan and Pay Scale (Sponsor: Haley)
2. Second Reading Ordinance 2017-05 – Ordinance Adopting Procurement Standards (Sponsor: Case)
3. Elkton Die Casting
4. First Reading Ordinance 2017-06 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ELKTON, KENTUCKY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2016 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2017 (Sponsor: Powell)
5. Mayor's Budget Message and Proposal for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018
6. First Reading Ordinance 2017-07 - AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ELKTON, KENTUCKY, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018 (Sponsor: McReynolds)
7. Reminder June 12, 2017 Regular Meeting is Cancelled and Special Meeting will be Held Tuesday, June 13, 2017

Clerk Brock reported that City Attorney Jeff Traughber has prepared a Summary of Ordinance 2017-04 sponsored by Mr. Haley. Case motioned to read the Summary Ordinance in lieu of the full ordinance, seconded by Mr. Powell and carried unanimously. Clerk Brock read second reading of Summary of Ordinance 2017-04, "ORDINANCE AMENDING COMPENSATION PLAN AND PAY SCALE." This ordinance amends pay grades for certain positions, proposed a 2% cost of living increase and longevity pay effective July 1, 2017. Mr. Haley motioned to adopt after second reading, seconded by Mr. McReynolds and carried unanimously by show of hands.

Clerk Brock reported City Attorney Jeff Traughber has prepared a Summary of Ordinance 2017-05, sponsored by Mr. Case. Mr. Laster motioned to read the Summary in lieu of the full ordinance, seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously. Clerk Brock read second reading of Ordinance 2017-05, "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING PROCUREMENT STANDARDS OF THE CITY OF ELKTON, KENTUCKY." Mr. Case motioned to adopt after second reading, seconded by Mr. Haley and carried unanimously by show of hands.

Mayor Weathers reported Mr. Powell requested further discussion of Elkton Die Casting property. Mr. Powell stated he would like to be on record that he is in agreement with the city not renewing the lease on the building to the Elkton Die Casting Technology and Community Center if an industry is ready to move in. Mayor Weathers reported six inquiries about the building in the last year. The building cannot be listed with economic development sites until it is empty and ready to be leased. Mayor Weathers reported John

Walton with the Industrial Foundation indicated the building has the potential to rent for \$6,000 per month. Mr. Gibson wondered who is going to keep up the building when it sits vacant. Mr. Powell once again stated that many people in the community have put a lot of their own time and money into the building and he does not want to see it go to waste. Gibson requested the council receive updates on any inquiries into the building because there are lots of rumors going around. Mayor Weathers stated the council would have to approve anyone that moves in the building.

Clerk Brock read first reading of Ordinance 2017-06, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ELKTON, KENTUCKY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2016 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2017.”

Mayor Weathers presented her budget message and proposal for fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. The budget proposal includes a cost of living salary increase of 2% for all employees and officials as well as longevity pay for all full-time employees. The Mayor’s Budget Message, which is on file at City Hall, also outlines all special projects proposed for each department. Some of the major projects include construction of sidewalks on West Main Street through a TAP grant that will pay for 80% of the project. The police department would like to purchase a new Ford Explorer financed over two years. The proposal includes a new temporary full-time employee for the street department to assist with mowing and utility maintenance. Also included is the addition of one full-time utility maintenance worker to help with the tremendous work load of the utility/street department. Sewer lines need to be extended in the B. White Road and Pond River Road areas at a cost of \$75,000. Smoke testing studies and engineering fees costing about \$25,000 are proposed in the sewer budget to repair inflow and infiltration issues. Once a hydraulic study of the water system is complete, \$30,000 is in the water budget to begin a project to improve water tanks. Due to these projects and various maintenance and repair issues in the water and sewer departments, the budget proposal includes water and sewer rate increases for customers using above the minimum billed usage of 2,000 gallons. After calling for discussion, Mr. Case stated he would like to further discuss the water rates at the next meeting. Brock stated that although a rate increase is proposed in the budget, any increase in the rates will also need to be passed by ordinance. There was no further discussion or questions.

Clerk Brock read first reading of Ordinance 2017-07, “AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ELKTON, KENTUCKY, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018.”

Mr. Haley motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at approximately 5:30 pm.

Jackie Boyd Weathers, Mayor

Laura M. Brock, City Clerk/Treasurer