

Minutes: City Council Meeting  
May 9, 2016  
7:00 PM

The Elkton City Council met in regular session on Monday, May 9, 2016 with Mayor Jackie Boyd Weathers presiding.

City Council members present: Doug Gibson; David Haley; Eugene Jefferson; 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; Daniel Smith, Assistant Fire Chief; Bruce Rager, Elkton volunteer fireman; Ashley Weatherholt, Assistant City Clerk; Kenzie Boehne, Welcome Center Director; and, Mr. Robert Harris.

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

After reviewing the April 11, 2016 council meeting minutes, Mr. Powell motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Jefferson and carried unanimously.

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

Mayor Weathers introduced Bruce Rager, who is retiring from the Elkton Volunteer Fire Department after 33 years of service. Mayor Weathers, David Powell, Derrell Waggoner and Daniel Smith presented Mr. Rager with a marble award and thanked him for his service. Mr. Rager thanked everyone and left the meeting.

Mayor Weathers called for public comments and welcomed all guests, including Mr. Harris. There were no public comments.

Clerk Brock read second reading of Ordinance 2016-03, "REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2 INDUSTRIAL DRIVE." Mr. Powell motioned to adopt after second reading, seconded by Mr. Haley and carried unanimously by show of hands.

Clerk Brock stated City Attorney Jeff Traughber has prepared a Summary of Ordinance 2016-04 if the council would like to read the Summary in lieu of the entire ordinance. Mr. Jefferson motioned to read the Summary of Ordinance 2016-04, seconded by Mr. Laster and carried unanimously. Therefore, Clerk Brock read first reading of Summary of Ordinance 2016-04, "AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING WILMON MOORE CIRCLE AS A DEDICATED PUBLIC RIGHT -OF-WAY FOR PERMANENT USE AND MAINTENANCE BY THE CITY OF ELKTON." Mr. Haley motioned to approve after first reading, seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously by show of hands.

Mayor Weathers asked Mr. Frank McReynolds to report on trees that need to be removed from the cemeteries. Mr. McReynolds reported there are about six or eight very large old trees in Glenwood Cemetery along North Main Street that need to be removed. He and Mayor Weathers proposed removing one large tree at a time. Curt Boley Landscaping proposed removing one large tree at a cost of \$1,500. There is also a dead tree near Elkton Cemetery that needs to be removed at a cost of \$500. After discussion, McReynolds motioned to approve Curt Boley Landscaping removing the two trees at a total cost of \$2,000. Mr. Powell seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

Mayor Weathers reported the city has been approved to submit a full application to FEMA for the City Lake

Dam study and repairs.

Mayor Weathers reported there will be a special city council meeting on Monday, May 23, 2016 at 5:30 PM to present the FY2017 Budget Message and Proposal and the FY2016 Budget Amendment. Clerk Brock will mail the agenda to everyone and reminded them that if they would like something else added to the agenda to please let her know.

Mayor Weathers also reminded everyone that the regular meeting in June has been rescheduled as a special meeting to be held Tuesday, June 14, 2016. Anyone attending the PADD Annual Dinner on Monday, June 13, 2016 needs to let Ashley Weatherholt know so she can RSVP for all city attendees.

## COUNCIL REPORTS

Mr. Haley reported there is a water leak at the park and it is believed to be in the line running to the concession building, but they are not sure. Chris Orr is getting a quote to replace the entire line. Mr. Haley asked if the city could help replace the line in any way. Terry Frogue stated the utility maintenance crew could help trench the new line. It was suggested the park ask the county to provide the pipe. David and Jeff Traugher reported the park has also done some work on one light pole on a ball field and is replacing the lights with LED as they go out.

Mr. Laster reported the utility/street department would like to hire two temporary full-time employees to help the department get caught up with several projects. Laster explained the employees would make \$10.00 per hour and work 40 hours per week for up to 12 weeks. Frogue reported he has sewer line smoke testing that needs to be completed to meet state requirements of finding infiltration into the sewer plant. Also, he has several small water lines that are leaking that need to be replaced. Finally, there are water meters that need to be inspected and stop signs that need to be replaced to meet state guidelines. Mayor Weathers reported the total cost of the new employees would be about \$11,000. Clerk Brock stated if the employees were hired in the next few weeks that this year's budget would need to be amended to include half of the expense, or about \$5,500. The remaining cost will be put in next year's budget. After discussion, Mr. Powell motioned to approve hiring two temporary employees and amend this year's budget to include the additional \$5,500. Motion seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously.

Mr. Frogue was also asked about the water pressure on B. White Road and if it was different on either side of the road. Mr. Frogue stated that the pressure should be the same, but he will test both sides to make sure.

Mr. Powell called for a report from the Fire Department. Chief Waggoner reported the parking lot at the fire hall was recently sealed. While the parking lot was being sealed, he took one of the fire trucks so it would be available in an emergency. He also reported on maintenance to one of the fire trucks. Daniel Smith reported they have received three applications for volunteer firemen to replace Bruce Rager. However, Mr. Waggoner reported that there may be an additional vacancy on the department because one fireman is not up to date on his training and may be asked to leave. Therefore, they may hire two firemen from this pool of applicants.

Mr. Jefferson stated there was nothing to report from the Police Department.

Mr. Gibson reported there will be money proposed in next year's budget to resurface several streets starting in July.

Mr. McReynolds asked if a list of headstones that need resetting had been prepared. Clerk Brock reported the list of headstones that need repaired was made and sent to Hopkinsville Monument a few weeks ago. It was requested they be repaired as soon as possible. The headstone that was knocked over by the fallen tree in Elkton Cemetery has been reset.

## MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Weathers reported attending the PADD monthly meeting and learned of legislation recently passed that will require the city to amend our ordinances.

Mr. Laster motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Haley and carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:35 pm.

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Jackie Boyd Weathers, Mayor

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Laura M. Brock, City Clerk/Treasurer