

Minutes: City Council Meeting
November 10, 2014
7:00 PM

The Elkton City Council met in regular session on Monday, November 10, 2014 with Mayor Nancy T. Camp presiding.

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

Others present: City Clerk/Treasurer Laura Brock; Utility/Street Superintendent Terry Frogue; Police Chief Brian Atkinson; Fire Chief Derrell Waggoner; City Attorney Jeff Traughber; Donald Settle; Bill and Jackie Weathers; Frank McReynolds; Ryan Craig, *Todd County Standard*; and, Wayne, Jean and David Addison.

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 October 20, 2014 council meeting minutes, Mr. Scott motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously.

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

Mayor Camp called for public comments. David Addison thanked the Mayor and City Council for allowing him to work on city property for his Eagle Scout project and thanked Utility Superintendent Terry Frogue for his assistance. Mayor Camp reported the project has been completed and thanked David and his family and presented David with a plaque in appreciation of his service. The Addison family thanked everyone and left the meeting.

Clerk Brock read second reading of Ordinance 2014-8, "AN ORDINANCE ENACTING AND ADOPTING SUPPLEMENTS TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ELKTON, KENTUCKY." Mr. Powell motioned to approve after first reading, seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously by show of hands.

Terry Frogue reported the B. White Road sewer line extension project has been completed. The contractor will have to come back to do minor cleanup but Frogue recommended paying the contractor their final payment. Clerk Brock presented the final pay request to Twin States Utilities and Excavation in the amount of \$11,314.00, which includes a change order for extra work that had to be performed at a cost of \$5,500.00. The final pay request from McGhee Engineering totaled \$1,115.00. Mr. Laster motioned to pay the final pay requests, seconded by Mr. Jefferson and carried unanimously.

Terry Frogue, Zoning Administrator, reported the Planning Commission held a public hearing to determine the zoning of property on B. White Road upon its annexation into the city of Elkton. Frogue presented a recommendation from the Commission recommending the area be zoned Medium Density Residential (R-2). Mr. Gibson motioned to approve the recommendation, seconded by Mr. Jefferson and carried unanimously.

Clerk Brock read first reading of Ordinance 2014-9, "AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING TO THE CITY OF ELKTON, KENTUCKY A 8.117 ACRE TRACT LYING ADJACENT TO AND CONTIGUOUS TO THE PRESENT CITY BOUNDARIES ON B. WHITE ROAD." Mr. Haley motioned to approve after first reading, seconded by Mr. Laster and carried unanimously by show of hands.

Mayor Camp reminded the council the city is required to accept the lowest bid on the South Streets Avenue Sidewalk Project. Clerk Brock reported the bidding and other documents were sent to the state to review and we received notice to proceed with construction and awarding the bid to the lowest bidder, Scott and Murphy. The bids were reported to the council at the previous meeting. Once the contract documents are signed, a preconstruction meeting will be held and construction will begin.

Mayor Camp reported Clerk Brock contacted all air ambulances that service Todd County regarding memberships. She reported Todd County Dispatch reported three companies service the county: Air Evac, Lifeline and PHI. Air Evac responds to about 90% of the calls. Lifeline does not offer memberships. PHI offers a household membership at a cost of \$40 per year. Clerk Brock reminded the council the city's renewal for memberships with Air Evac for all city employees is due December 1st and the cost is about \$1,184.00. After discussion, Mr. Gibson motioned to renew the membership with Air Evac and seconded by Mr. Scott. Voting in favor of the motion were Haley, Powell, Jefferson, Gibson and Scott. Voting opposed was Laster. Motion carried.

Mayor Camp presented a draft ordinance to allow for adjustments on unusually high water bills. Currently, the water billing charge cannot be adjusted for any reason. This ordinance would allow an adjustment to a high water bill by charging the customer their average bill plus only the wholesale rate on the remaining usage over the average. The ordinance states the customer can receive an adjustment once every five years. It was the consensus to review the draft ordinance and discuss at a future meeting.

Mayor Camp reported the vents and roof are leaking in the Die Casting Center. She reported the cost to repair them is estimated at \$2,121.50. She stated the repairs need to be made before Martin Industries begins renting the warehouse portion of the building. After discussion, Mr. Jefferson motioned to repair the roof and vents and seconded by Mr. Gibson. Voting in favor of the motion were Laster, Powell, Jefferson, Gibson and Scott. Voting opposed was Haley. Motion carried.

Donald Settle reported Martin Industries is ready to sign a lease for the warehouse portion of the Die Casting Center. According to the lease agreement with the Elkton Die Casting Community and Technology Center, the city must approve the sublease. Settle reported the rental income generated will be used for the building. There was some discussion about using the rental income to repair the roof and vents. Settle reported Martin Industries is painting inside the building and making several other repairs that will benefit the building. After discussion, Gibson motioned to approve the sublease of the Die Casting building to Martin Industries. Motion seconded by Mr. Laster and carried unanimously.

Chief Atkinson will present a list of surplus items at the next meeting.

Mayor Camp reported bids were received on Thursday, November 6, 2014 for asphalt surfacing various streets in the city. One bid was received from Scotty's Contracting and Stone in the amount of \$63,556.07. Brock reported the construction is supposed to be completed within 90 days according to the bid specifications. There was discussion that the work probably could not be completed in this time due to cold weather. After discussion, Mr. Gibson motioned to reject all bids. Motion seconded by Mr. Powell and carried unanimously.

Mayor Camp reported bids were received on Thursday, November 6, 2014 for the purchase of a work truck vehicle for the utility department. There is currently \$26,000.00 in this year's budget for the purchase. Frogue reported one bid was received from Mansfield Chevrolet Buick in the amount of \$23,561.00 for a 2015 Chevrolet Silverado 1500. This price is a little higher than state contract price, but by the time we have to send two employees to pick up the vehicle in Lexington it may not save any money. Plus, Mansfield's has supported the community and events in the city in the past. Mr. Laster motioned to accept the bid of Mansfield in the amount of \$23,561.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Jefferson and carried unanimously.

Mayor Camp reported Christmas in Elkton and Parade will be held Saturday, December 13, 2014. The parade will start at 6 PM and leave from Todd Central High School. Many local businesses will also have sales and open house throughout the day on Saturday.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mr. Haley reported the complaint regarding limbs overhanging the walking trail in the park have been taken care of, as well as several other complaints.

Mr. Laster reported water loss had increased to about 20% the last several months. However, the utility department found and repaired two water leaks.

Mr. Powell presented a request from the fire department to purchase a new pump for the brush truck at a cost of \$5,035.00. After reviewing the budget financial report, Clerk Brock stated that there were funds remaining for other items budgeted this year that can be postponed in order to accommodate this purchase. Mr. Powell motioned to approve the purchase of the pump, seconded by Mr. Laster and carried unanimously.

Mr. Jefferson called for a report from Police Chief Brian Atkinson. Chief Atkinson presented an activity report for the year. Atkinson reported Police Officer Recruit Berry had been on workers compensation leave since injuring his knee during academy training school. He has been released by his doctor and has been re-admitted to the academy and is scheduled to graduate on December 5th. Atkinson also reported he has received several compliments from the public on the professionalism of his officers.

Mr. Scott reported the final mowing of the right-of-ways has been completed.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Camp reported the annual leaf pickup is underway in the city and going well.

Mayor Camp reported the city normally takes Christmas Eve and Christmas Day off for the holidays. Since those two holidays fall on Wednesday and Thursday this year, she has declared that we will be closed half a day on Wednesday, Christmas Eve, and closed all day on Thursday, Christmas Day, and the following Friday.

Mayor Camp reported the unemployment rate in Todd County is at 5%.

Jeff Johnson from Pennyrite Monument will be resetting the stones approved at the last meeting.

Mayor Camp called for Terry Frogue to report on the progress of the Elk Fork Creek Cleaning Project. Frogue reported Stratton Excavation has subcontracted with Jake Hicks to complete the project. Hicks may possibly complete the project by the end of next week.

Mr. Jefferson thanked everyone for the flowers and food sent to his family after the recent passing of his brother.

There was no further discussion, therefore Mr. Jefferson motioned to adjourn and seconded by Mr. Haley. Motion carried unanimously and meeting adjourned at approximately 8:03 PM.

Nancy T. Camp, Mayor

Laura M. Brock, City Clerk/Treasurer