

Minutes: City Council Meeting  
October 17, 2016  
7:00 PM

The Elkton City Council met in regular session on Monday, October 17, 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; Will Meyers, Police Captain; Derrell Waggoner, Fire Chief; Michael and Paisley Case; Amy Kearns, *Todd County Standard*; and, other guests.

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

After reviewing the September 12, 2016 council meeting minutes, Mr. Gibson motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Haley 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. Powell and carried unanimously.

Mayor Weathers welcomed guests and called for public comments. There were no comments.

Resolution 2016-07, "DESIGNATION OF APPLICANT'S AGENT," was presented to the council. Mayor Weathers explained this resolution designates City Clerk/Treasurer Laura Brock as the applicant agent for FEMA federal disaster assistance. Mr. Haley motioned to adopt the resolution, seconded by Mr. Laster and carried unanimously.

Mr. David Powell presented a proposal from the fire department for the city to sponsor two FEMA Assistance to Firefighter Grants (AFG). The first project is on behalf of the city to purchase a new tanker truck at a total cost of \$294,225. The city would be required to match 5% of the cost, or \$14,711. Chief Waggoner reported the old 1,800 gallon tanker truck could be sold and revenue used to match the grant. After discussion, Mr. Haley motioned to authorize the Mayor to submit the AFG project to purchase a new tanker truck. Motion seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously. Mr. Powell stated the second project was a regional project. Clerk Brock informed them that this project was on behalf of Todd County Emergency Management to purchase turnout gear and SCBA devices for several Todd County fire departments. The city would be the sponsor of the grant and be responsible for administering the grant and other participants in the county would sign a memorandum of agreement stating they would reimburse the city their share of the project. The Elkton Fire Department would receive two sets of turnout gear and 4 SCBA devices, for a local share cost of 5%, or \$1,680. After discussion, Mr. Laster motioned to authorize the Mayor to make application for the regional AFG project. Motion seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously.

Powell asked if Allegre Fire Department has signed waivers for the turnout gear declared surplus and donated to them at the last meeting. Waggoner reported they have not picked up the items, but will sign the waiver at that time.

Mayor Weathers reported several requests from residents for new street lights in the city. One was requested at the intersection of Glenn Court and South Main Street. At least one was requested on Riverbend Drive. One was requested at the intersection of Elk Fork Road and the Landmark Apartments entrance. And, one street light has been requested on B White Road where several new houses have been built. The Police

Department is also looking around in the city for additional needs in dark areas of town. Therefore, the Mayor requested authorization for her to order 6 new street lights. Pennyrile Electric quoted the city a cost of \$120 if there is an existing pole in the area that can be used, or \$340 if a new pole needs to be set. David Haley requested a light be installed in the park as discussed at the last meeting. The Recreation Commission has approved the additional light pole. After discussion, Mr. Haley motioned to approve installation of up to 6 new street lights in the city including the ones listed by the Mayor. Motion seconded by Mr. Powell and carried unanimously.

Mayor Weathers reported the city personnel policy allows employees exempt from overtime to accrue 100 hours of compensation time for all hours worked over the regular scheduled workweek. She requested this number be increased to 120 hours, or three weeks of time. Municipal Order 2016-01, "MUNICIPAL ORDER AMENDING THE PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES," authorizing this change was presented. After discussion, Mr. Gibson motioned to approve Municipal Order 2016-01, seconded by Mr. Laster and carried unanimously.

## COUNCIL REPORTS

Mr. Haley reported more items have been stolen from the park. The surveillance camera was not working at the time and they are having a hard time getting the person that installed the cameras to make the needed repairs. Jeff Traugher reported a new padlock was installed on the door and now only umpires have a key to the padlock instead of all the coaches. The Recreation Commission is also installing new LED lights at the ballfields as they go out.

Mr. Laster reported water loss is back down to about 13% this month. Frogue then updated the council on Riverbend Subdivision. Developer Arland Overholt has completed construction of the retention basin and a letter from the design engineer, DDI Engineering, has been submitted stating the retention basin now meets or exceeds the original design requirements. Frogue reported the council had issued a stop work order on the house under construction until the retention basin was completed. Frogue reported Mr. Overholt has suggested he maintain ownership of the retention basin through the spring so that he can repair any washouts. Frogue also reported Don Laster is pleased with the basin. The Planning Commission is also requiring submittal of as built construction plans for the water and sewer lines. Frogue recommended the council lift the stop work order dependent on Mr. Overholt submitting all documents requested. After discussion, Mr. Haley motioned to lift the stop work order contingent upon submittal of as built plans for the water and sewer lines with a deadline of two weeks from today. Motion seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously. Mayor Weathers thanked Terry Frogue for sticking with this project.

Mr. Powell had nothing else to report. Chief Waggoner asked about the status of the grant received for the new pump for the brush truck. He stated the committee was supposed to meet on October 11<sup>th</sup> but we still haven't gotten the approval to purchase the pump. Clerk Brock stated the grant process is sometimes slow and we can't proceed until we have the proper paperwork from the state.

Mr. Jefferson called for a report from Captain Meyers. Mayor Weathers ask Meyers to report on the new body cameras. Meyers reported the new body cameras the city is leasing are being replaced with an updated version at no additional cost to the city. Mr. Haley complimented the department on their professionalism in handling an accident recently at the stop light. Meyers thanked Mr. Haley.

Mr. Gibson reported we are waiting for the completion of construction on North Main Street before resurfacing any streets in the city. Mayor Weathers stated we are also waiting on FEMA to report what they will reimburse the city for on several streets that were washed out during the flood. Brock stated FEMA has implied they will only reimburse the city for resurfacing the small areas where potholes came out due to the flooding and heavy rains. We had intended to resurface a larger area. Mr. Haley reported the sidewalk between the former 2 Kates restaurant and Petrie Memorial Church is crushed and needs to be repaired.

Mr. McReynolds asked if the city has received any information regarding an Aldi's grocery store locating in the vacant Save-a-Lot building. Mayor Weathers reported nothing has come to her attention and she spoke

with the building owner, who stated Houchens still has the lease on the building through the end of December. When the lease is over and construction on North Main Street is complete, the building will be available and advertised for lease.

Regarding the cemetery, Mayor Weathers reported she has learned the cherry trees in the cemetery we thought might be dead are just probably losing their leaves earlier than others. Other people that have cherry trees reported this is normal.

Mr. Haley reported the wrought iron fence in Glenwood cemetery was damaged when a limb fell on it and needs repaired. Haley reported Tool Tec of Elkton made repairs last time. Mayor Weathers asked Clerk Brock to contact Tool Tec about repairs.

#### MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Weathers thanked everyone for their hard work on the FEMA disaster assistance applications. She reported the city has applied for several mitigation projects, including the purchase of several properties that continually flood and were damaged in the July flood.

Mr. Jefferson motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Laster and carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:42 pm.

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Jackie Boyd Weathers, Mayor

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Laura M. Brock, City Clerk/Treasurer