

Minutes: City Council Meeting  
October 19, 2015  
7:00 PM

The Elkton City Council met in regular session on Monday, October 19, 2015 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: City Clerk/Treasurer Laura Brock; Terry Frogue, Utility/Streets Superintendent; Jason Clardy, Police Sergeant; Eston Glover, Hopkinsville Community College Foundation; and Amy Kearns, *Todd County Standard*.

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

After reviewing the September 14, 2015 council meeting minutes, Mr. Haley 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. Gibson motioned to approve the bills payable and financial reports, seconded by Laster and carried unanimously.

Mayor Weathers called for public comments. Mayor Weathers introduced Eston Glover with the Hopkinsville Community College Foundation, who thanked the council for allowing him to meet with them. Mr. Glover stated he was chair of the committee raising funds to build a new “emerging technologies building” on the Hopkinsville campus. The building will cost approximately \$15 million to construct, with the state committing 75% of the cost, or \$11.25 million. Therefore, HCCF must raise \$3.75 million locally. Mr. Glover is chair of the fundraising committee and reported he has received commitments for about \$2.53 million. The local match must be committed by December 31<sup>st</sup>. A new building has not been built on the campus in seventeen years and will allow students to remain in Hopkinsville to complete their training instead of moving on to Madisonville to complete their programs of study. Mr. Glover reported that Hopkinsville Community College provides a great service to our region and will contribute three years of operating funds to the Todd County Career Path Institute, which amounts to \$60,000 per year. Mayor Weathers and Mr. Powell commended the service HCC provides to our community and how well the city of Hopkinsville and Christian County have worked with our county and HCC to help build the Career Path Institute on the Todd Central High School Campus. Mr. Glover thanked everyone for allowing him to give this presentation. There was discussion that the city has \$10,000 remaining in the economic and industrial development budget. After discussion, Mr. Powell motioned to contribute \$5,000 to the Hopkinsville Community College Foundation for construction of the emerging technologies building. Motion seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously. Mr. Glover thanked the council and stated he appreciated the support from his community.

Mayor Weathers called for Terry Frogue to present a recommendation received from the Planning Commission for amendments to the zoning ordinance. Mr. Frogue stated the council received a copy of the proposed amendments and reported the Planning Commission held several public hearings in order to discuss and recommend changes to the zoning ordinance to the city council. After reviewing the recommendation, Mr. Jefferson motioned to approve the proposed changes to the zoning ordinance as presented, seconded by Mr. Laster and carried unanimously. Clerk Brock stated an ordinance officially adopting the changes will be presented at the next meeting for first reading.

#### COUNCIL REPORTS

Mr. Haley reported a repair day was held in the park last Saturday. Also, five new flowering trees were

planted in the park.

Mr. Laster called for a utility/street department report from Terry Frogue. Mr. Frogue reported Utility Service Company washed and cleaned the water tank on Garth Lane under the annual maintenance agreement. Mr. Frogue stated the water tank on Morningside Drive will need painting next year.

Mr. Jefferson reported everyone received a copy of the department activity report for the calendar year to date.

Mr. McReynolds asked if the city had jurisdiction over potholes in parking lots. Mayor Weathers stated this was private property and we do not have jurisdiction.

Mr. Laster motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Jefferson and carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30 pm.

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Jackie Boyd Weathers, Mayor

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Laura M. Brock, City Clerk/Treasurer