

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

The Elkton City Council met in special session on Monday, September 18, 2017 at 5:00 PM 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: Laura Brock, City Clerk/Treasurer; Terry Frogue, Utility/Streets Superintendent; Jeffrey Traugher, City Attorney; and, Sue Gill Long.

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. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Invocation
4. Second Reading Ordinance 2017-12 – Ordinance Fixing the Ad Valorem Tax Rate for the Year 2017 (Sponsor: Powell)
5. Second Reading Ordinance 2017-13 – Amending Section 31.20 of Code of Ordinances (Sponsor: Case)
6. First Reading Ordinance 2017-14 – AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 651-659-687-693-745-753-769-789-791 E Jeff Davis Highway
7. First Reading Ordinance 2017-15 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TEXT OF CHAPTER 151 (ZONING) OF THE CITY OF ELKTON CODE OF ORDINANCES
8. Elkton Die Casting Property
9. KIA Sewer Project and Resolution 2017-06
10. Sewer Chemical Quotes
11. Mowing Equipment
12. TAP Project and Resolution 2017-07

Mayor Weathers led the Pledge of Allegiance and Mr. Haley gave invocation

Clerk Brock read second reading of Ordinance 2017-12, “AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE AD VALOREM TAX RATE UPON THE ASSESSED VALUATION OF REAL ESTATE, PERSONAL PROPERTY, MOTOR VEHICLES AND WATERCRAFT WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF ELKTON, KENTUCKY, FOR THE YEAR 2017” sponsored by Powell. Mr. Haley motioned to adopt after second reading, seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously by show of hands.

Clerk Brock reported Mr. Traugher prepared a Summary of Ordinance 2017-13. Mr. Case motioned to read the Summary of Ordinance 2017-13, seconded by Mr. Haley and carried unanimously. Clerk Brock read second reading of Summary of Ordinance 2017-13, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 31.20 OF THE CITY OF ELKTON, KENTUCKY CODE OF ORDINANCES” sponsored by Case. Mr. Case motioned to adopt after second reading, seconded by Mr. McReynolds and carried unanimously by show of hands.

Clerk Brock reported Mr. Traugher prepared a Summary of Ordinance 2017-14. Mr. Haley motioned to read the Summary of Ordinance 2017-14, seconded by Mr. Powell and carried unanimously. Clerk Brock read first reading of Summary of Ordinance 2017-14, “AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 651, 659, 687, 693, 745, 753, 769, 789 AND 791 E. Jeff Davis Highway” sponsored by

Case and Haley Mr. Case motioned to approve after first reading, seconded by Mr. Haley and carried unanimously by show of hands.

Clerk Brock reported Mr. Traughber prepared a Summary of Ordinance 2017-15. Mr. Powell motioned to read the summary of Ordinance 2017-15, seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously. Clerk Brock read first reading of Summary of Ordinance 2017-15, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TEXT OF CHAPTER 151 (ZONING) OF THE CITY OF ELKTON CODE OF ORDINANCES" sponsored by McReynolds. Mr. McReynolds motioned to approve after first reading, seconded by Mr. Laster and carried unanimously by show of hands.

Mr. Haley requested Elkton Die Casting property be placed on the agenda so a decision can be made regarding the lease on the property to the Elkton Die Casting Technical and Community Center. Mr. Powell once again stated he hopes we get a new industry in the building because a lot of good people volunteered their time to the building. After discussion, Mr. Haley motioned to authorize Jeff Traughber to notify Elkton Die Casting Technical and Community Center that the city will not extend the lease and that they have until April 1, 2018 to vacate the building. Motion seconded by Mr. Gibson and carried unanimously.

Mr. Case requested continued discussion of the Elkton Die Casting Property to include the future use of the property for soccer fields maintained by the Recreation Commission. He presented a draft plan to install a fence behind the Die Casting parking lot to separate the property into two parcels, one for industrial use and the other for park use. He also asked Terry Frogue if the road titled "CS-1002" that leads to the back of the Die Casting property off of North Main Street still exists. Mr. Frogue stated he did not think the street had ever been closed. Mr. Case stated this road could be used as the entrance to the park property. He also wondered if John Walton of the Industrial Foundation thought separating the parcels would devalue the industrial parcel. Mayor Weathers reported Walton thought it might increase the value because the back part of the property is in the floodplain. The back property might also be used for a dog park and parking for a walking trail along the Elk Fork Creek. Terry Frogue stated there is an area of switchgrass that is not supposed to be disturbed that might need to be kept with the industrial parcel. After discussion, Frogue will contact the state about retesting the switchgrass area and also get their advice on the quality of the existing switchgrass. All agreed this is a good idea and will be discussed further at a future meeting.

Resolution 2017-06, "Authorizing Resolution of Legal Applicant for Filing of Loan Application and Appointing Appropriate Local Government Official and Successors-in-Title as Official Project Representative of Federally Assisted Wastewater Revolving Fund (State Revolving Loan Program) Project" was presented to the council. Mr. Haley motioned to approve, seconded by Gibson and carried unanimously.

Clerk Brock reported that Chris Orr and Terry Frogue in the sewer department obtained written quotes for chemical purchase due to the new ordinance requiring written quotes above \$2,000. As a result, the department expects to save \$15,000 to \$20,000 in chemical costs this year. Everyone commended the department for finding the savings.

Clerk Brock reported the Kentucky League of Cities notified the city that they will cover all of the replacement cost of the mowing equipment stolen less a \$250 deductible for the claim. The equipment purchased to replace it must be of "like kind and quality." Frogue reported Daniel's Garage can sell the city two Exmark mowers on state contract price and has offered to throw in two good weed eaters valued at \$600 at a total cost of \$19,838.40. Mr. Gibson motioned to approve the purchase on state contract, seconded by Haley and carried unanimously.

Frogue stated he received a quote for an 18' trailer like the one stolen from the company we purchased the last one from. There was discussion about where the new equipment will be stored. Frogue stated it can be stored in the open bays at the sewer plant, but it will be inside the locked gates. Mr. Gibson motioned to approve purchasing the trailer, seconded by Mr. Laster and carried unanimously.

Mayor Weathers reported a TAP project application for the walking and biking trail is on the agenda. However, after attending the recent public forum about the proposed trail, she believes it is too soon to apply for grant funding. We need more time to help answer questions that the property owners have. Haley suggesting looking into a way to honor the property owners who agree to use the property for the trail.

Mr. Laster motioned to adjourn, seconded by Powell and carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:40 pm.

Jackie Boyd Weathers, Mayor

Laura M. Brock, City Clerk/Treasurer