

Minutes: City Council Meeting  
December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
6:00 PM

The Elkton City Council met in regular session at Elkton City Hall, 71 Public Square, on Thursday, December 12th, 2024, at 6:00 PM with Mayor Arthur Green presiding.

City Council members present: Doug Gibson; Michael Case; Frank McReynolds; George Orr; Danny Laster and David Powell.

Others present Robert Toombs, Chief of Police; Chris Orr, Public Works Director; JT Calvary, Fire Chief; Justin Griffin, Planning & Zoning Officer; Jeff Traughber, City Attorney; Chad Johnson, John Mullins and Emily Carroll.

Mayor Green called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Council member Case led the Pledge of Allegiance and Gibson led invocation.

Mayor Green called for review of the minutes of the November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024, council meeting. There were no changes and McReynolds motioned to approve as presented, seconded by Powell, and carried unanimously.

Mayor Green presented the financial reports and called for any questions and there were none. Laster motioned to approve the financial reports as presented, seconded by Orr, and carried unanimously.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

No comments were made.

#### ACTION ITEMS

Mayor Green presented the Ascendant Energy Proposal Contract for the amount of \$718,688.00. Case motioned to approve the contract with Ascendant, seconded by Gibson, and carried unanimously.

Powell motioned to read Summary of Ordinance 2025-01, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ELKTON, KENTUCKY APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE FINANCING OF A PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF AND SECURITY FOR THE LEASE; CREATING A SINKING FUND; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF VARIOUS DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE LEASE" in lieu of the full ordinance, seconded by Laster, and carried unanimously. Clerk Bright read first reading of Summary of Ordinance 2025-01.

#### GRANT UPDATES

Mayor Green announced that the Urban Forestry Grant has been signed. This project is projected to begin in spring of 2025.

Mayor Green announced that he attended a presentation for the Land and Water Conservation Grant in Frankfort, KY. Approval for this grant should be announced in the spring of 2025.

The Fire Departments has submitted grants for sixteen air packs and a new fire truck.

#### ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Jeff Traughber reported that there were no updates or items to address.

## DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Fire Chief JT Calvary reported the fire department had 8 runs during the month of November.

Police Chief Toombs reported a total of 400 calls for service, with 24 being alcohol-related. He announced that new hire Hayden LeGrant is set to begin work on December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024, and will attend the police academy in January 2025. Officer Case Horn is scheduled to graduate from the police academy on December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Chief Toombs also noted that the Safety and Reliability Audit is due by January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025, and that he has been actively rewriting and adding policies to complete this audit.

Planning and Zoning administrator, Justin Griffin, reported that building permits are currently being processed for the Oaks Subdivision, South Riverbend, and the Crouch Subdivision. He also noted that several violation letters and citations were issued in November.

Public Works Director, Chris Orr, reported that the tree limb issues on Pond River Road have been addressed. Annual flushing is 50% complete. The City Dam's annual inspection has been conducted, with results expected in January 2025. Leaf pickup has been completed.

## MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Green reminded the council members of the training in Madisonville and Bowling Green. He also reminded them to make him aware if they wanted to attend the city official's academy in January 2025.

Mayor Green reminded the council that swearing-in ceremony for the 2025-2027 term will take place on December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 10:00 AM at the Welcome Center.

## CITY COUNCIL CONCERNS

McReynolds asked about donations for the aging council. Mayor Green said that the donation is in the budget.

Case expressed thanks and gratitude to everyone for his 8 years of service on the council.

Gibson also expressed his gratitude to everyone for his 20+ years of service on the council.

Mayor Green presented plaques to council members Michael Case and Doug Gibson for their many years of service on the city council.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Dates to remember were reported as the Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>.

There was no further discussion, therefore Case motioned to adjourn, seconded by Gibson, and carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 6:36PM.

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Arthur Green, Mayor

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Kayce L. Bright, City Clerk/Treasurer