

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
EMINENCE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MARCH 8, 2010
EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

The City Council of the City of Eminence, Kentucky met in a regular session on Monday, March 8, 2010 at 6:15 p.m. at the Eminence City Hall with Mayor Jim Petitt and the following members present: Danny Meadows, Polly Troxell, Shawn Bright, Drane Stephens (arriving late), Lee Ann Armstrong, and Leo Mason. Absent was none.

Pledge of allegiance held.

Mayor Petitt reminded everyone to have their cell phones either off or on silent and not to ask to speak unless on the agenda.

Mayor Petitt called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS:

Subject: Surplus 1996 Dodge Ram Pickup Bid Opening – Mayor Petitt opened the following bids for the sale of the surplus 1996 Dodge Ram Pickup:

David Noe, Campbellsburg, KY 40011 - \$651.00
Shane Roberts, New Castle, KY 40050 - \$301.00
Gary McAllister, Eminence, KY 40019 - \$550.00
Greg Rose, Pewee Valley, KY 40056 - \$758.99

Motion made by Member Meadows and seconded by Member Troxell to accept the highest bid in the amount of \$758.99 from Greg Rose for the surplus 1996 Dodge Ram truck. On a call of vote by Clerk Doane, all members present voted “Yea”.

Subject: Minutes – The minutes of the previous regular session held on February 8, 2010 were reviewed. Mayor Petitt asked for any additions or changes to the minutes. With no additions or changes forthcoming, Mayor Petitt stated they would stand approved as presented.

Subject: Sidewalk Grant Agreement – Mayor Petitt asked Attorney Brammell to report on his review of the grant agreement between the City and the Transportation Cabinet. Attorney Brammell stated he has reviewed the agreement and finds it to be a standard agreement authorized by the Transportation Cabinet but Attorney Brammell did point out several areas of importance as follows: 1) The agreement does require the City to expend the funds first and then ask for reimbursement; 2.) The agreement does require that restrictive easements be placed on the sidewalks repaired or replaced with these funds; 3.) The City would be responsible for all project design and adherence to the federal and state design and construction criteria whether it is completed by the City or performed by a consultant; 4.) The City would be responsible for all advertising, consultant selection, contractor procurement, contract administration and inspection, etc.; 5) responsible for all monitoring paperwork and compliance with numerous regulations/acts; 6) The City would be required to maintain the sidewalks in perpetuity; and 7) The City would have to comply with the provision of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Discussion held with no motion being made to adopt the resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into the agreement with the Transportation Cabinet for the \$82,500 reimbursable grant.

REPORTS:

Subject: Police Department Report – Major Kevin Kemper reviewed the monthly activity report with council which showed total contacts of 210 for February. Fourteen individuals were arrested on twenty-nine separate charges. The Department had six driving under the influence and five other alcohol related incidents.

Subject: Property Ordinance Enforcement Report – Major Kevin Kemper reported there were no new ordinance violation notices issued in February.

Subject: Police Department Cell Phone Policy – Mayor Pettitt reported that he has asked Attorney Brammell for a determination of whether we could pay the officers a set amount in additional salary and have them get their own phone for use by the department. Mayor Pettitt asked Attorney Brammell to report to council on his findings. Attorney Brammell stated we could increase the pay for the purpose of the officers purchasing a cell phone/contract, but he doesn't feel we can make it a requirement for them to use their cell phone for work. Mayor Pettitt stated we are probably back to requiring the officers to pay any amount over the agreed upon \$100.00 per phone per month. Member Meadows questioned whether we could use the add-a-line plan versus single phone lines for the officers. Mayor Pettitt stated he would have Chief Duncan research this and get back with council.

Subject: Public Works Department Report – Public Works Director William Smith reviewed the monthly activity report with council. Reported that the damage to the fire hydrant at the corner of East Broadway and King Street has been paid in full by the responsible company's insurance. Mr. Smith reported that a lot of time this month was spent with snow removal. Mr. Smith reported that the water meters had to be estimated this month due to the weather as well.

Subject: Additional Leak Adjustment – Clerk Doane reported that Doug Kalbfleisch with the Eminence Car Wash has requested an additional leak adjustment for a leak which encompassed two months. He has provided documentation that the leak has been fixed. Motion made by Member Troxell and seconded by Member Armstrong to authorize the second leak adjustment per the standard calculation for Mr. Kalbfleisch with the Eminence Car Wash. On a call of vote by Clerk Doane, all members present voted "Yea".

Subject: Administrative Office Report - City Clerk Sandra Doane reviewed the monthly administrative office report with council reporting that collection of the delinquent property taxes is still ongoing. Clerk Doane reported that all three surplus police cruisers sold last month have been paid for and transferred to the appropriate individuals.

Subject: Fire Department Report – Member Meadows reviewed the February monthly report which showed seven total runs and special details. Member Meadows reported that the department has already had its first grass fire this past Saturday.

Member Stephens arrived at this time (6:45 p.m.).

Subject: Festivals Update – Member Armstrong reported that the committee has met with the sub committees with things progressing well. The flyer is out on the booth rental with a couple already having been reserved. Member Meadows asked if the rental form with the booth sizes was on the website. Clerk Doane reported it was not, but certainly could be.

Subject: Parks Update - Member Stephens stated the committee has met and discussed Phase II for the park. Member Stephens presented Council with their proposal (attached hereto). Member Stephens reviewed each proposed item in detail asking for any other ideas. Discussion held. Motion made by Member Stephens to purchase two rider/bouncer toys (the frog and the motorcycle); to proceed on cleaning up the volleyball court; to repair the tennis court net with a new pole and crank; to purchase the concrete corn hole game and appropriate back boards; to proceed on the silhouettes; to tear down the old pump house building; and to proceed with the lighting with Todd Chesser with Kentucky Utilities to furnish us with an old pole and us to purchase two lights and have them installed by an electrician, all for an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. Motion seconded by Member Bright. On a call of vote by Clerk Doane, all members present voted “Yea”.

NEW BUSINESS:

Subject: Warrants - The warrants presented for payment were reviewed. Motion made by Member Bright and seconded by Member Mason to approve the warrants for payment as presented. On a call of vote by Clerk Doane, all members present voted “Yea”.

Subject: New Business/Council – Mayor Pettitt asked if any council member had anything they wanted to discuss.

Member Meadows asked how we could get a credit card for the Fire Department to use when making reservations for training or purchasing items online. Mayor Pettitt stated he would check on getting them one.

Subject: Mayor’s Update – Mayor Pettitt reported that the article on the recycling in the Henry County Local was great and encouraged participation. Discussion held with Attorney Brammell stating that the following locations have a recycling bin available: Eminence – in the parking lot between the School and the Presbyterian Church; Henry County High School; Eastern Elementary; Campbellsburg Elementary and at the County Highway Barn located on Property Road in New Castle. Mayor Pettitt stated that hopefully we can include the recycling the next time we change the garbage collection ordinance.

Mayor Pettitt reported on the sidewalk extension at the new Dollar Store location. As per the meeting last month he has obtained revised estimates for this work based upon the state specifications. The state requirements call for a hand rail approximately 20 feet long to be installed with a price being obtained of \$60.00 per foot which would make this \$1,200.00. Mayor Pettitt stated he will announce the two bid amounts only if the Council wants to move

ahead with one of these bids and not do further bidding as he felt it would not be fair to these two individuals to make their bid public if we are going to get others. Mayor Pettitt did state that the total project based upon the two bids he has and the additional cost for the hand railing would be between \$3,000.00/\$5,000.00.

Council requested the bid amounts which Mayor Pettitt stated as follows:

Cozine Concrete, Eminence, KY - \$2,600.00 with no additional charge to set the handrails

Shane Whitaker Concrete, New Castle, KY - \$3,010.00 with additional charge included to set the handrails.

Motion made by Member Troxell and seconded by Member Bright to accept the bid from Cozine Concrete in the amount of \$2,600.00 and to accept the \$1,200.00 price for the railing. Discussion held. Member Stephens asked if we could require Mr. Cozine to follow-up at the park to remove the ridges on his previous work before giving him this contract. Member Bright withdrew his second of the previous motion. Member Troxell amended her motion to accept the bid from Cozine Concrete in the amount of \$2,600.00 with the condition that he repair the concrete work at the basketball court (grind down the high points) prior to starting the work on the sidewalk and to accept the \$1,200.00 price for the railing from Ardision Metals. On a call of vote by Clerk Doane, voting "Yea" were Members Troxell, Bright, Meadows, Stephens, and Mason. Voting "Nay" was Member Armstrong.

Subject: Closed Session – None needed.

With no further business to be discussed, motion made by Member Meadows and seconded by Member Stephens to adjourn. All members present voted "Yea". Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

JIM PETITT, MAYOR
CITY OF EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

ATTEST: _____
SANDRA A. DOANE, CITY CLERK
CITY OF EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

