

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
EMINENCE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

OCTOBER 14, 2019
EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

The City Council of the City of Eminence, Kentucky met in a regular session on Monday, October 14, 2019 at 6:15 p.m. at the Eminence City Hall with Mayor Drane Stephens and the following members present: Danny Meadows, Steve Metcalfe, Fred Downey, Leo Mason, Lee Ann Armstrong and Polly Troxell. Also, in attendance were Attorney Chelsea Brammell; City Clerk Robin Mullins; Public Works Director Matt McAllister; Chief Mike Wells; Officer David Knuckles, Code Enforcement Officer Marvin Michum, Henry County Local Editor Aaron Nelson and Resident Ed Steinmetz.

Mayor Stephens called the public hearing to order at 6:15 p.m.

Pledge of allegiance held.

Subject: County Business - Magistrate Scott Bates was absent so no report was presented to the council.

OLD BUSINESS:

Subject: Minutes – The minutes of the previous regular session held on September 9, 2019 were reviewed. Mayor Stephens asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes. With no additions or changes noted, Mayor Stephens stated they would stand approved as presented.

REPORTS:

Subject: Police Department Report (Copy Attached Hereto) – Police Chief Wells introduced Officer David Knuckles to City Council. Officer Knuckles worked for the Shelbyville Police Department and comes to us with over fifteen years' experience.

Police Chief Wells presented the monthly activity report to council. Department personnel had a total of 246 contacts for the month, with five traffic collisions. Thirty-four citations were issued on forty-eight charges. Eighteen arrests were made.

Subject: Code Enforcement Report: Code Enforcement Officer Marvin Michum was present to present his monthly activity report to council. Mr. Michum made a total of Two Hundred Twenty-two visits and One Hundred Four visits have been addressed. There have been Fourteen total successes and one citation.

Mayor Stephens asked the council what they thought about a code enforcement board – a committee made up of two council members and three citizens at large. Mayor Stephens will get Attorney Brammell to look into what needs to happen to get this board formed.

Subject: Public Works Department Report (Copy Attached Hereto) – Public Works Director Matt McAllister reviewed the monthly activity report with council. Reported on routine activities.

Mr. McAllister reported that speed bumps were installed on Depot Avenue and City Hall drive-thru to prevent people from speeding while trying to beat the red light.

Mr. McAllister also reported a water service prior to the meter had to be repaired on West Broadway after it developed a leak; a leaking hydrant on Tolle Court had to be repaired; a new water service was tapped and installed for a house being built next to Quail Run Subdivision.

Mr. McAllister also reported one of the pumps at Coachmen's lift station had to be back flushed and unclogged; rags had to be removed from R.L. lift station in Pleasureville after it became locked up and stopped pumping.

Mr. McAllister also reported the splash pad was shut down and winterized; the water and sewer services were dug for the new bathroom at Coach D Park.

A second leak adjustment was requested for Ronetta Vargas in the amount of \$58.00. The leak has gone on for two billing cycles and has been repaired. Motion made by Member Downey and seconded by Member Meadows to grant a second adjustment to Ronetta Vargas. All member present voted "Yea".

Subject: Administrative Office Report (Copy Attached Hereto) - City Clerk Robin Mullins reviewed the monthly administrative office report with council reporting that her office has collected \$40,875.25 in property Taxes for 2019.

Subject: Fire Department Report – Member Meadows reported that all is going well in the department. The department had 15 runs and other training hours during September for a total of 135 manhours.

Member Meadows reported that he would like to see the burn ordinance revisited since every time the county lifts the burn ban, the citizens of Eminence still have restrictions on when they can burn.

Subject: Festivals Report – Mayor Stephens reported that the festival was a success but we learned a lot about what needs to be done in order to have a more successful festival next year. The committee will meet to discuss the pros and cons.

Subject: Parks Report – Mayor Stephens reported the bathhouse is under roof.

NEW BUSINESS:

Subject: Mayor's Update – Mayor Stephens reported the Christmas dinner will be December 10th at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Stephens reported that he and Member Metcalfe have decided where to put the remaining Welcome to Eminence signs. The property locations are the Pentecostal Church Property on HWY 55, Jason Klempler's Property on HWY 22 and Southern State's Property. Once everything is signed, we will turn it in and get them approved.

Subject: Council – New Business – Member Downey reported he had spoken to the business owners between the Saloon and Snappy about the possibility of the city helping them to paint their buildings. Mayor Stephens reported he will have to get with Attorney Brammell and see what parameters need to be set and what we can and cannot do.

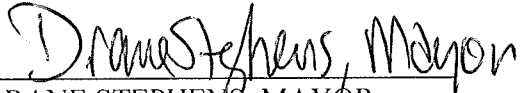
Member Armstrong and Member Metcalfe wanted to discuss the renaming of the walking trail to The Jimmy Lee Green Trail. They also wanted to discuss what type of sign and how much was allotted to spend. Mayor Stephens asked them to bring back a couple of prices to council next month.

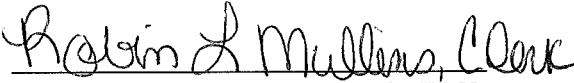
Member Metcalfe wanted to discuss the sidewalk from the Library to King Street. Mayor Stephens decided he would approach Tom Shroyer about the sidewalk. The sidewalk from Tristan Ridge to the Library will be laid next week.

Member Armstrong asked if the Home of the Warrior Signs will be put on the new Welcome Signs. Mayor Stephens agreed they would.

Subject: Warrants - The warrants for payment were presented and reviewed. Motion made by Member Armstrong and seconded by Member Troxell to approve the warrants for payment as presented. On a call for votes, all members present voted "Yea".

With no further business to be discussed, motion made by Member Armstrong and seconded by Member Downey to adjourn. All members present voted "Yea". Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.


DRANE STEPHENS, MAYOR
CITY OF EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

ATTEST: 
ROBIN L. MULLINS, CITY CLERK
CITY OF EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

