

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 13, 2023

EMINENCE CITY MUNICIPAL BUILDING

EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

The City Council of the City of Eminence, Kentucky met in a regular session on Monday, February 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Fred Downey and the following members present: LeeAnn Armstrong, Bobbi Jo Frazier, Connie Nation, Karen Paris, Phillip Smith, and Justin Wayman. Also, in attendance were City Attorney Chelsey Brammell; City Clerk Robin Mullins; Police Chief Mike Wells, Fire Chief Steve Lucas, Public Works Director Matt McAllister, Henry County Local Editor Rob Hoff, and see attached sign in sheet.

Mayor Downey called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Pledge of allegiance held.

**Subject: Recognition of Ms. Montgomery's Community Service Class** – Steve Metcalfe was present along with the following members of Ms. Montgomery's Community Service Class: Jacob Fernandez, Bryan Downey and Bella Kerby. Steve, along with the class, painted the City of Eminence on the bottom of seventy chairs and wrote the name on twelve tables. This is the same class that has done several other community projects in the city. The Mayor and Council applauded their accomplishments.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Subject: Minutes** – The minutes of the previous special session held on January 9, 2023 were reviewed. Mayor Downey asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes. Motion made by Member Armstrong and seconded by Member Smith to approve the minutes as presented. On a call for votes, all Members present voted, "Yea".

**Subject: Bid Opening – 2005 Chevy 1500 Truck** – Received one bid in the amount of \$800.00 from Morris Powell. Motion made by Member Wayman and seconded by Member Armstrong to accept the bid of \$800.00 from Morris Powell. On a call for votes, all members present voted, "Yea".

**Subject: Proposal for Mural** – Mayor Downey asked the members to review the mural proposal and design by Greg Robinson. Member Wayman reported he would still prefer Mr. Robinson paint the mural, but he understands if the council prefers to go with the proposal. James Puckett, owner of the wall was present and reported he and Greg had come up with the design and he wanted to use that design. The consensus of the council was to table the mural, until next month so Greg, Project Man, and James could finalize the design. The mural will be put in the budget for next fiscal year.

**Subject: Bingo Contract** – Jennifer Hegg was present to answer any question and go over the proposed contract with the city council. Member Smith wanted to make sure no vaping was allowed on the premises and a detailed cleaning list was put into the contract.

Member Paris wanted to make sure a Certificate of Insurance for the concessions was on file at the city clerk’s office with the name on the policy.

Member Simon-Frazier wanted to clarify the Fixed Fee was per session and not monthly.

Mayor Downey reported we still need to get the capacity from the Fire Marshall and he hopes to get that done by next week.

Ms. Hegg reported all ages are allowed to come, but only eighteen and up are allowed to play. She plans to have family night, so all ages will be able to play. Children will be able to play for gift cards and baskets.

Ms. Hegg also requested a key. Clerk Mullins reported there are keys that only work the community room doors.

Chief Wells reported he had concerns about security of the police department. Doors and locks still need to go up.

Motion made by Member Smith and seconded by Member Paris to allow Mayor Downey to sign the contract once all the proposed changes had been made, the security of the police department had been addressed and the occupancy had been stated. On a call for votes the following members voted:

Member Smith	“Yea”	Member Armstrong	“Nay”
Member Paris	“Yea”	Member Simon-Frazier	“Nay”
Member Wayman	“Yea”	Member Nation	“Nay”

Tie was broken by Mayor Downey who voted “Yea”. Motion passed.

**Subject: Sidewalks** – Member Wayman and Steve Metcalfe walked the sidewalks to see which ones need to be repaired. Mr. Metcalfe reported approximately 787 feet need to be repaired, cleaned, and edged. He proposed to use Ms. Montgomery’s community service class to clean and edge the sidewalks before we decide which ones to repair. There are two areas that are top priority, and they are Browning’s and Sammy’s.

Motion made by Member Smith and seconded by Member Simon-Frazier to use the allocated money in the Municipal Aid fund to repair the sidewalks. On a call for votes, all members present voted,” Yea”.

**REPORTS:**

**Subject: Police Department Report (Copy Attached Hereto)** – Police Chief Mike Wells presented the monthly activity report to the council.

**Subject: Public Works Report (Copy Attached Hereto)** – Public Works Director McAllister presented his monthly activity report to council.

Public Works Director McAllister reported he had signed off on the first and second phase of the proposed subdivision.

Mayor Downey presented second leak adjustment for the following: Dolly Tucker in the amount of \$26.10.

Motion made by Member Armstrong and seconded by Member Simon-Frazier to approve the second leak adjustment for Dolly Tucker in the amount of \$26.10. On a call for votes, all members present voted, “Yea”.

**Subject: Administrative Report (Copy Attached Hereto)** – Clerk Mullins reviewed the monthly administrative report.

Clerk Mullins presented the audit for fiscal year end June 30, 2022. She asked the council to review and contact her with any questions.

Clerk Mullins presented the check registers of the bills paid during the month of January, 2023. She asked the council to review and contact her with any questions.

Clerk Mullins also presented a drawing of Park Duvall. Mayor Downey reminded them of the Board of Adjustments meeting February 27, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

**Subject: Fire Report – (Copy Attached Hereto)** – Fire Chief Steve Lucas presented the monthly activity report.

**Subject: Beautification Committee:** Nothing to report.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Subject: Bid Opening Garbage Franchise:** Received one Bid from Rumpke with the following amounts:

Commercial:

7/01/23-6/30/24	price per unit per month	\$29.00
7/01/24-6/30/25	price per unit per month	\$30.45
7/01/25-6/30/26	price per unit per month	\$31.97
7/01/26-6/30/27	price per unit per month	\$33.57
7/01/27-6/30/28	price per unit per month	\$35.25

Residential:

7/01/23-6/30/24	price per unit per month	\$35.00
7/01/24-6/30/25	price per unit per month	\$36.75
7/01/25-6/30/26	price per unit per month	\$38.59
7/01/26-6/30/27	price per unit per month	\$40.52
7/01/27-6/30/28	price per unit per month	\$42.54

Jeremy Rumpke was present to go over bid. There was an increase of \$14.05 for residential garbage service, then a 5% increase each year.

Member Armstrong reported she had the following concerns about Rumpke's services:

- Trash cans in the middle of the driveways.
- Backdoor Pickup trash cans not always brought back to house.
- Trash cans falling in the ditch.

Jeremy Rumpke reported he will address the concerns with his employees tomorrow.

Mayor Downey suggested we lower our franchise fee and then Rumpke could lower their prices. Clerk Mullins and Mr. Rumpke will work together to get new numbers by next month.

Consensus of Council to table discussion until next month.

**Subject: Rental Agreement:** Mayor Downey reported he had been approached by the Lincoln/Reagan Organization to rent the Community Room on April 15 and we need a rental contract. Attorney Brammell had presented a sample agreement for the council to review and make suggestions.

Mayor Downey asked what the Council thought about serving alcohol in the community room. Member Armstrong will call the ABC office to get information on serving alcohol.

**Open Citizen Comments/Questions – None.**

**Mayor's Update:** Mayor Downey reported he has been in touch with the State, and they are coming to look at the entrance into McDonald's/CVS.

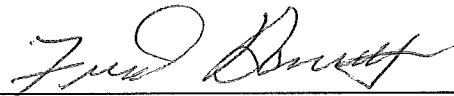
Mayor Downey also asked Magistrate Tingle if he could be of assistance with the semi-trucks coming out of Clear Creek and onto Mulberry Pike. They are going into Debbie Moore's property.

Member Downey reported they had a quote for the Doo Wop Shop for Microphones. Chief Wells is also going to see if he can get a another quote. This project will be funded in the July budget.

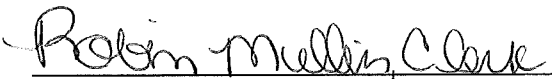
**Council – New Business** – Member Paris reported she and Member Wayman met with the festival committee and they are getting ideas together for a bigger, better Eminence Day. Member Smith requested the council be given updates of the ideas of the committee.

Mayor Downey requested the council take a tour of the building to see the work that has been done before closing the meeting.

With no further business to be discussed, motion made by Member Paris and seconded by Member Simon-Frazier to adjourn. All Members present voted “Yea”. Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.



FRED DOWNEY, MAYOR  
CITY OF EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

ATTEST: 

ROBIN MULLINS, CITY CLERK  
CITY OF EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

