

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

JULY 11, 2022

EMINENCE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

The City Council of the City of Eminence, Kentucky met in a regular session on Monday, July 11, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Doug Bates and the following members present: LeeAnn Armstrong, Fred Downey, Danny Meadows, Steve Metcalfe, Polly Troxell and Justin Wayman. Also, in attendance were City Attorney Chelsey Brammell; City Clerk Robin Mullins; Police Major John Dudinskie, Public Works Director Matt McAllister, Henry County Local Editor Rob Hoff, Residents James “Goody” Goodloe, Greg Robinson, Brandon Schrader, Austin & Katie Veech

Mayor Bates called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of allegiance held.

Subject: County Business – Magistrate Scott Bates was absent, so no report was submitted to council.

Subject: Mural on Puckett’s Wall – Greg Robinson was present to report he intends to paint a mural on Puckett’s wall and would like input from the city. He would also like scaffolding or a lift to get to the higher areas of the wall. He is volunteering his time and intends to ask other artists and students to help out. Attorney Brammell suggested we run it by our insurance company to see if it is possible for the city to rent the scaffolding or the bucket truck because it seems like it might be a liability. Member Armstrong suggested the Beautification Committee meet with Mr. Robinson to come up with some ideas of what should be on the wall. Other suggestions will be solicited via the newspaper and social media.

Subject: Cruise – Brandon Schrader was present to report he would like to take the money he collected from a previous cruise and have a Kids Day in the city parking lot. Major Dudinskie suggested he have his event with the Back to School Bash or the Library’s Trunk or Treat.

Major Dudinskie also requested to have more notice of cruises so he could schedule for more officers to be on duty.

Subject: Congressman Thomas Massie’s Office – Stacie Rockway with Congressman Massie’s office was present to inquire if anyone needed any assistance with any federal agency and offer to help.

OLD BUSINESS:

Subject: Minutes – The minutes of the previous regular session held on June 13, 2022 were reviewed. Mayor Bates asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes. Motion made by Member Metcalfe and seconded by Member Wayman to accept the minutes as presented. On a call for votes, all members present voted “Yea”.

Declaring Chromebooks and Tablets Surplus Property and Donating to Eminence School – Motion made by Member Troxell and seconded by Member Armstrong to declare the chrome books and tablets surplus property that were used for council meetings and are no longer in use and transfer them to Eminence Independent School for IT use with no compensation. On a call for votes, all member present voted,” Yea”.

Subject: Second Reading of Ordinance Amending Budget 2021/2022 – Attorney Brammell held second reading of Budget Amending Budget 2021/2022. Motion made by Member Meadows and seconded by Member Wayman to adopt the ordinance as read. On a call for votes, all member present voted, “Yea”.

REPORTS:

Subject: Police Department Report (Copy Attached Hereto) – Major Dudinskie presented the monthly activity report to the council.

Major Dudinskie reported he had acquired a message board from KYTC for Eminence Day. He suggested the city invest in at least two message boards, which cost anywhere from \$6,000.00 to \$17,000.00.

Subject: Public Works Report (Copy Attached Hereto) – Public Works Director McAllister presented his report.

Member Downey asked Public Works Director McAllister if anything had been done at the sewer plant since the bad smell was gone. Public Works McAllister replied, No.

Member Meadows reported the volleyball court looked nice since they had been plowed.

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

Clerk Mullins also reported the auditor will be here the last week of July.

Subject: Fire Report – (Copy Attached Hereto) - Member Meadows presented the monthly report.

Subject: Festivals Update – Member Downey reported the roads will be closed during Eminence Day, back yard bounce will be here, there will be a trailer for the bands, plenty of vendors. The parade will leave the Eminence Auto Auction lot at 1:00 p.m.

Member Downey also reported they are thinking about a tug of war contest.

Subject: Park Update – Member Armstrong inquired where we are on the cameras. Major Dudinskie reported we had received three different bids ranging from \$1,100.00 up to \$14,000.00. After discussion. Motion made by Member Meadows and seconded by member Wayman for the city to contract with Bobby Ripey for installation of cameras at the park not to exceed \$5,000.00. On a call for vote, all member present voted, “Yea.”

Subject: Beautification Committee: Member Wayman reported he is waiting on Mark Atteberry to pick up paperwork for the old jail.

Mayor Bates reported he is getting quotes on brickwork for Baremore Realty.

Subject: Police Liaison Committee – Member Armstrong reported the committee had met with Chief Wells and Major Dudinskie and everything is going well.

Mayor Bates reported the committee met with Scott Noel of Summit Architectural Services about building a new police building.

Council decided to get estimates on what it would cost to tear down part of Theis building and put police station in that location.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bid Opening Garbage Franchise: The city received only one bid from Rumpke for collection and disposal of garbage, trash, and debris. Motion made by Member Meadows and seconded by member Downey to reject the bid received from Rumpke and rebid the garbage franchise in early 2023 when hopefully gas prices have stabilized. On a call for votes, all members present voted, “Yea.”

First Reading of Amendment of Ethics Ordinance: Attorney Brammell held the first reading of the Ethics Ordinance amending the section on Nepotism. No action taken.

First Reading of Intent to Annex 437 Mulberry Pike: Attorney Brammell held the first reading of the Ordinance of the Intent to Annex 437 Mulberry Pike. No action taken.

First Reading Model Procurement Code Ordinance: Council decided not to proceed with first reading of ordinance.

Resolution Hiring Summit Architectural: Council decided to put on hold until after decision is made on where to put police station.

School Resource Officer Contract Amendment: Major Dudinskie reported that since the school year was shortened the contract was amended for the number of days and contract payment for the school resource officer. Motion made by Member Meadows and seconded by Member Wayman

to sign the amended contract reducing the number of days for the officer and contract payment. On a call for vote, the following member voted:

Meadows	“Yea”	Armstrong	“Yea”
Wayman	“Yea”	Troxell	“Yea”
Metcalf	“Yea”	Downey	“Abstain”

Legal Agreement Contract: Attorney Chelsey Brammell presented the contract where she will be replacing her father-in-law Attorney William Brammell. The contract is identical to the contract of the previous attorney. Motion made by Member Troxell and seconded by Member Armstrong to enter into a Legal Agreement with Chelsey Brammell. On a call for votes, all member present voted, “Yea”.

Mayor’s Update: Mayor Bates reported he received a letter from the Eminence Housing Authority requesting help with repairs of sidewalks and curbs. He and Public Works McAllister will inspect the sidewalks and curbs.

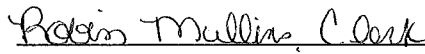
Council – New Business – Member Wayman reported he and Member Armstrong inspected city streets to see which need to be repaired and prepared a list for Public Works Director McAllister.

Subject: Warrants – The warrants for payment were presented and reviewed. Motion made by Member Metcalfe and seconded by Member Downey 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 Metcalfe and seconded by Member Wayman to adjourn. All Members present voted “Yea”. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.



DOUG BATES, MAYOR
CITY OF EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

ATTEST: 

ROBIN MULLINS, CITY CLERK
CITY OF EMINENCE, KENTUCKY