

The City Council of the City of Eminence, Kentucky met in regular session on Monday, November 10, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Fred Downey and the following members present: Lee Ann Armstrong, Bobbi Jo Frazier, Karen Paris, Phillip Smith, Justin Wayman, and Connie Nation. Also, in attendance were City Attorney Chelsey Brammell, City Clerk Robin Mullins, Police Chief Scott Wilcoxson, Fire Chief Steve Lucas, Public Works Director Troy Popp, Utility Clerk Donna Rangel, Detective Brett Downey, Sergeant Mike Corley, Magistrate Carl Tingle, Residents Polly Troxell, Missy Ayers, DeAnne Downey, Chris and Erin Johnson, Steve Johnson, George Armstrong, and Cody Miracle.

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

Pledge of allegiance held.

**Historical Marker:** - Franklin and Amy Charles were present to ask the Mayor and Council for support in getting a new historical marker in Eminence for the 9<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Kentucky Calvary. The marker if approved will be placed at the IAA Auto Auction which at the time was the old Henry County Fairgrounds.

Member Smith asked what type of history would be on the marker. Mr. Franklin said he didn't know how much input he would have, but he guesses it would be basic information about the calvary.

Motion made by Member Armstrong and seconded by Member Nation to support Franklin and Amy Charles in the application process for the new historical marker for the 9<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Kentucky Calvary. On a call for votes, all members present voted "Yea".

**Reappointment of Planning & Zoning Commission:** - Cody Miracle was present to seek the council's approval to be reappointed to the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Member Armstrong asked Mr. Miracle what happens if someone who has requested a permit does not complete the project in the aloud time. Mr. Miracle reported at that point Jason Stanley would get involved and find out what is going on.

Motion made by Member Paris and seconded by Member Smith to reappoint Cody Miracle to the Planning & Zoning Commission. On a call for votes, all members present voted "Yea".

**Rental & Possible Purchase of 128 Eminence Terrace:** - Chris and Erin Johnson were present to request the city lease 128 Eminence Terrace to them for five years, with a purchase agreement at the end of the term. They would like to open a restaurant, serve beer and wine, outdoor games and music.

Mayor Downey reported we would not be able to sale the building to them at the end of the five-year term without putting it out for bid. The mayor asked the council again if they wanted to put the building up for sale or rent.

Motion made by Member Wayman to sell the property located at 128 Eminence Terrace. Motion died for lack of a second.

After discussion, council asked Mr. and Mrs. Johnson to put together a plan to present for the next council meeting on December 8, 2025

**Minister of Families:** - Lynn Wilson of Eminence Baptist Church was present to request the city council help with the Minister of Families Program. They help people pay bills, buy groceries, etc.

Motion made by Member Frazier and seconded by Member Smith to donate \$1,000.00 to help the families through the Minister of Families Program. On a call votes, all members present voted "Yea".

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Subject: Minutes** – The minutes of the special meeting held on October 20, 2025, were reviewed. Mayor Downey asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes. Motion made by Member Smith and seconded by Member Frazier to approve the minutes as presented. On a call for votes, all members present voted "Yea".

### **REPORTS:**

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

Police Chief Wilcoxson showed the council members the ballistic shield that was purchased with the Attorney's General grant.

Police Chief Wilcoxson reported the four (4) flock cameras have been installed and are running. Glenn Chevrolet has offered to purchase an additional camera.

Also, Police Chief Wilcoxson reported he had started the application process for Shop With A Cop. The shopping trip will be on December 13, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

**Subject: Public Works Report (Copy Attached Hereto)** – Utility Clerk Rangle presented the monthly activity report.

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

City Clerk Mullins presented October 2025 Check Disbursements.

City Clerk Mullins present the Audit for fiscal year end June 30, 2025.

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

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Purchase of 5201 South Main Street and Possible Grant** – Mayor Downey reported he would like to see if the council was interested in the purchase of 5201 South Main Street to put in an amphitheater. He stated we would only do this if we were able to get a grant. The city still would need to give earnest money to the owners, so they would hold the property while the city went through the grant process.

Motion made by Member Nation and seconded by Member Paris to authorize Mayor Downey to proceed with the grant application and negotiate the terms with the property owners to purchase the property and bring it back to council at a later date. On a call for votes, all members present voted “Yea”.

**Mayor’s Update** - Mayor Downey reported the two bays have been completed at the fire department.

Also, Mayor Downey reported a shooting range had been put on the back of the sewer plant for the Police Department.

**Council – New Business:** Member Armstrong asked for clarification on the new truck that was purchased for the Public Works Department.

Public Works Director Popp reported it wasn’t feasible to drive the Ram 2500 for day-to-day use. The reason being, the Ram 2500 is so large and uses so much fuel. The Ram will be utilized like a piece of equipment and hopefully last longer. It will be used as a snowplow and to clean out sewer lines by pulling the Jetter trailer. The Chevy Colorado will be the normal work truck for everyday use.

Member Armstrong and the council said that it fell slightly below \$40,000.00 at \$39,960.00. Mayor Downey reported it was in the budget and he went back and forth before he decided to let the Public Works purchase it.

Member Paris reminded everyone that Light Up Eminence is Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. with the tractor parade at 6:30 p.m.

Member Nation requested the city make a donation to the Community Thanksgiving Dinner on November 25<sup>th</sup>.

After Discussion. Motion made by Member Nation and seconded by Frazier to donate \$500.00 to the Kiwanis Club for the Community Thanksgiving Dinner. On a call for votes, the following members voted:

Member Nation "Yea"  
Member Armstrong "Yea"  
Member Smith "Nay"

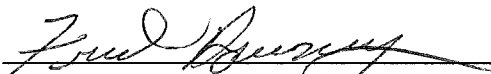
Member Frazier "Yea"  
Member Paris "Yea"  
Member Wayman "Nay"

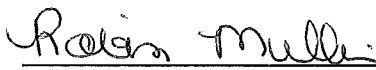
Motion carried.

Member Downey reminded everyone of the Veteran's Vigil tomorrow, November 11, 2025, from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. in the Community Room for Veteran's Day.

Member Smith reported the Beautification Committee approved a grant for Venture Vape in the amount of \$5,000.00.

With no further business to be discussed, the motion made was by Member Frazier and seconded by Member Nation to adjourn. All members present voted "Yea". The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

  
FRED DOWNEY, MAYOR  
CITY OF EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

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