

The City Council of the City of Eminence, Kentucky met in a regular session on Monday, December 9, 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 City Attorney Bill Brammell; City Clerk Robin Mullins; Public Works Director Matt McAllister; Chief Mike Wells; 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 November 11, 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 presented the monthly activity report to council. Department personnel had a total of 213 contacts for the month, with five traffic collisions. Twenty-eight citations were issued on thirty-nine charges. Eight arrests were made.

Chief Wells reported he and Mayor Stephens had met with Superintendent Berry and Principal Deckard on possibility hiring a school resource office.

Chief Wells also reported he had checked into the small speeding signs and the cost is around \$3,700.00. He will check on a grant to aid in purchasing them.

Subject: Code Enforcement Report: Code Enforcement Officer Marvin Michum was absent so Mayor Stephens presented his report. Mayor Stephens reported the December 4th court date on the King Street property had been continued due a to personal problem with the Judge. Attorney Brammell reported Ms. Smith does have a buyer who is willing to purchase the property without a clear title.

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 they repaired a 12” supply line in front of the water tower that developed a leak in the bell joint; repaired a 2” water main in front of the Post Office; repaired a 6” water main under full pressure after it developed a hole on Sulphur Ave; flow tested the fire hydrants in front of Steel Tech; and began the process of converting the larger meters to auto reads.

Mr. McAllister also reported a sewer main on Crabb Ave had to be augured after it became clogged with rags & debris.

Mr. McAllister also reported that the property on Mulberry Pike was tilled, seeded and strawed where a break previously occurred.

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 \$3,089.22 in property Taxes for November, 2019.

Subject: Fire Department Report – Member Meadows reported that all is going well in the department. The department had 4 runs and other training hours during November for a total of 139.5 manhours.

Subject: Festivals Report – Mayor Stephens reported that Light Up Eminence went really well considering of the weather.

Subject: Parks Report – Mayor Stephens reported the metal is up and the power is active (plugs inside).

NEW BUSINESS:

Subject: Open Citizen Comments – Resident Ed Steinmetz asked about the property of Marvin Lashley where the road meets his drive. Mr. Steinmetz asked for suggestions on what to do because his drive sits below the road. Mayor Stephens gave him suggestions and Mr. Steinmetz was satisfied.

Subject: Council – New Business – Member Armstrong reported she was asked about the brush on the land between the Dollar General Store and El Nopel needing to be cleaned up. Mayor Stephens reported he had spoken with El Nopel and showed him the PVA map of his boundaries and the Dollar Store and they are equally responsible for cleaning up the brush.

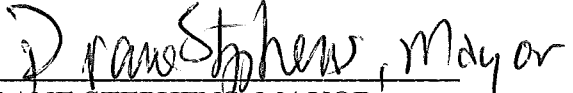
Member Armstrong reported the speedbump on Blackaby Lane by First Baptist Church is completely worn down.

Member Armstrong also reported that semi-trucks are constantly using jake brakes and was hoping the police could monitor this on South Main especially between 3:00 – 4:00 am. Chief Wells said he would look into it for a vehicle nuisance.

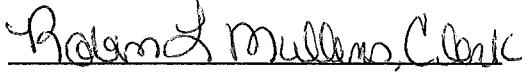
Member Armstrong and Member Metcalfe presented examples of how they would like the Jim Green Memorial Plaque to look and approximate costs. Member Meadows made a motion to proceed with ordering the plaque and everything needed to complete the memorial with a cap of \$1,500.00. Motion seconded by Member Metcalfe. All members present voted “Yea”.

Subject: Warrants - The warrants for payment were presented and reviewed. Motion made by Member Downey and seconded by Member Mason 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 Meadows and seconded by Member Mason to adjourn. All members present voted “Yea”. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.



DRANE STEPHENS, MAYOR
CITY OF EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

ATTEST: 

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

