

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
EMINENCE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

FEBRUARY 8, 2021
EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

The City Council of the City of Eminence, Kentucky met in a regular session on Monday, February 8, 2021 at 6:15 p.m. with Mayor Drane Stephens and the following members present: Lee Ann Armstrong, Fred Downey, Danny Meadows, Steve Metcalfe, Polly Troxell and Justin Wayman. Also, in attendance were City Attorney Bill Brammell; City Clerk Robin Mullins; Public Works Director Matt McAllister; Chief Mike Wells, and Henry County Local Editor Aaron Nelson and Olivia Ranseen from KIPDA.

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

Pledge of allegiance held.

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

Subject: Audit FYE June 30, 2020 – Mayor Stephens presented the audit for fiscal year end June 30, 2020 to the council. Mayor Stephens asked the council to review the audit and get back to him with any question and he will present them to the auditor.

Subject: Hazard Mitigation Plan FEMA – Olivia Ranseen gave a presentation on preparing a Hazard Mitigation Plan and what part of the plan the city would be responsible for.

OLD BUSINESS:

Subject: Minutes – The minutes of the previous regular session held on January 11, 2021 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 as presented.

REPORTS:

Subject: Police Department Report (Copy Attached Hereto) – Chief Mike Wells presented the monthly activity report to council. Chief Wells reported the no parking signs are out on Crabb Ave and they have been enforcing them. He also reported an arrest has been made on the vehicle break ins.

Member Armstrong thanked Chief Wells and their prompt response when she needed assistance last Monday night.

Chief Wells reported body cameras have been issued and a report will be given next month.

Chief Wells also reported a counterfeit \$100.00 bill was received at the Dollar Store. The Secret Service is planning to come and give a presentation on what to look for when receiving money. Hopefully this will educate our stores in what to look for.

Subject: Code Enforcement Report (Copy Attached Hereto) – Mayor Stephens reported he planned to get in touch with Sarah to see if she was coming back next month.

Subject: Public Works Report (Copy Attached Hereto) – Mayor Stephens reported Public Works Director McAllister was out at a sewer line break, but the council had his activity report to review.

Member Meadows asked about the city streets being cleared of snow. Mayor Stephens reported the dump truck is having some problems, so Public Works is waiting to see how bad the weather is before they go out. Member Meadows and Member Downey suggested putting a salt spreader on one of the pickup trucks as a backup. Mayor Stephens said he would look into it.

A second leak adjustment was requested for Anthony Clark in the amount of \$55.86, for leak in the service line that had been repaired. Motion made by Member Meadows and seconded by Member Downey. On a call for vote, all members present voted “Yea”.

Member Meadows asked Public Works Director McAllister if he heard anything from the company who was asking us to pay on the 2019 Reverse Auction Bid. Attorney Brammell reported they haven’t responded to the letter that was sent.

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

Clerk Mullins reported she had received \$1,301.20 for the damage done to the City Hall building

Subject: Fire Report – Member Meadows presented the monthly activity report to council. He reported all the firefighters had received their second covid-19 vaccine.

Subject: Festivals Update – Mayor Stephens reported no activity at this time.

Subject: Park Update – Mayor Stephens reported no activity at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

Subject: CBDG Utility Grant – Mayor Stephens reported we have been looking into applying for the Utility Grant, but one of the requirements would be to remove the debt service from the sewer rate. This would require a lot of time that we just do not have, and Mayor Stephens recommends not moving ahead. Council agrees not to move ahead with the CBDG Utility Grant.

Subject: Mayor/Council Pay Increase – Mayor Stephens reported we received the annual increase from the Department of Local Government. The Consumer Price Index this year is 1.4%. Motion made by Member Armstrong and seconded by Member Wayman to not take the 1.4% increase recommend by the DLG. On a call for vote, all Members present voted “Yea”.

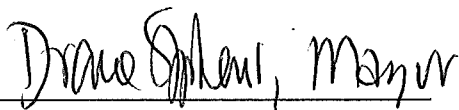
Subject: Mayor’s Update – Mayor Stephens wanted to thank the council members for reading their council packets ahead of the meeting and asking questions. He reported that if anyone needed help in setting up folders on their Chromebook, he would be happy to help.

Subject: Council – New Business – Member Armstrong reported there had been a mix-up with the hours of businesses selling alcohol on Sunday, but she had taken care of it.

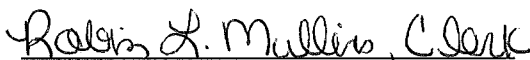
Member Downey reported he wanted to work on updating the property maintenance ordinance. Mayor Stephens reported he would call Member Downey and Member Metcalfe about setting up a committee meeting.

Subject: Warrants – The warrants for payment were presented and reviewed. Motion made by Member Meadows 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 Armstrong and seconded by Member Troxell to adjourn. All Members present voted “Yea”. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.



DRANE STEPHENS, MAYOR
CITY OF EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

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

