

The City Council of the City of Eminence, Kentucky met in a regular session on Monday, December 14, 2020 at 6:15 p.m. with Mayor Drane Stephens and the following members present: Danny Meadows, Fred Downey, Steve Metcalfe, 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; Major John Dudinskie, residents Justin Wayman, Katie and Austin Veech.

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.

Member Meadows asked who made the decision to put the Wayfinder Sign in the bank lot. Mayor Stephens reported Judge Brent had asked him earlier to give him suggestions of where to locate the signs and then Covid-19 hit and he forgot about it. The county must have gotten permission from the bank to place the sign there. The signs are from money from the state, we don't really have much say. A second sign is supposed to go up in the island by Dairy Queen. The consensus of the council was the sign was too large and should be moved to another location. The mayor will take their concerns to Judge Brent.

**Subject: Annexation - 437 Mulberry Pike** – Katie and Austin Veech were present to request to be annexed into the city limits in order to get water/sewer/trash services. They would like to put a manufactured home on a permanent structure. Public Works Director McAllister said the services are available to the property. Attorney Brammell listed the process of what would have to be done in order to be annexed into city limits.

1. Obtain a survey that contends to property annexation
2. Consent to Annex Ordinance
3. Annexation Ordinance

The mayor took a consensus of the council to get their opinion and they all agreed to allow the annexation.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Subject: Minutes** – The minutes of the previous regular sessions held on November 9, 2020 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.

**Subject: Second Reading of an Ordinance Amending Local Limits and Pretreatment Standards** – Attorney Brammell held the second reading of the ordinance amending local limits and pretreatment standards. Motion made by Member Meadows and seconded by Member Mason to adopt the ordinance as read. On a call for votes, all members present voted, “Yea”.

**Subject: Second Reading of an Ordinance Enacting and Adopting a Supplement to the Code of Ordinances** – Attorney Brammell held the second reading of the ordinance enacting and adopting a supplement to the Code of Ordinances. Motion made by Member Armstrong and seconded by Member Metcalfe to adopt the ordinance as read. On a call for votes, all members present voted. “Yea”.

### **REPORTS:**

**Subject: Police Department Report (Copy Attached Hereto)** – Major John Dudinskie presented the monthly activity report to council. Major Dudinskie reported that they made arrests for people breaking in cars. He reported people really need to lock their car doors.

He also reported petty theft and over doses are up. Officer Knuckles has revived five people.

Major Dudinskie reported Officer Hartford will go full-time January 2021, and we are currently looking for a part-time officer.

Shop with a cop was a success. Ten children went to Shelbyville Walmart and we spent \$200.00 a piece on them. They also received money to purchase a gift for their parents. Chief Wells is looking to do something in the fall, such as backpack and school supplies.

As soon as the new truck comes in Chief Wells wants to do a cram the cruiser.

Major Dudinskie reported they found a body camera they think will work. All fees are paid upfront and comes with a three-year warranty. The only draw back is the officer is responsible for the downloads. The pros are no-one can delete or change anything except the administrators and the cost is around \$5,000.00

**Subject: Code Enforcement Report (Copy Attached Hereto)** – Mayor Stephens reported there hasn't been any improvement on Sulphur or Crabb Ave.

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

Public Works Director McAllister reported the plans were reviewed and accepted for the Quail Run Phase III expansion. They intend to build ten new homes as well as extend Harvest Drive and connect Meadow Land.

Member Armstrong asked is there a plan for a Phase IV. Public Works Director McAllister reported not at this time.

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

**Subject: Fire Report** – Member Meadows reported the Fire Department had their annual Christmas Dinner last weekend.

**Subject: Festivals Update** – Mayor Stephens reported Santa will ride around on Saturday, December, 19, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

**Subject: Park Update** – Public Works Director McAllister reported the restrooms had been winterized and the portable restrooms were ready to be ordered.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Subject: Resolution on City Roads** – Public Works Director McAllister reported that KIPDA had asked him to go over the streets in the city and get a resolution passed on which streets were in city limits that we maintained. Motion made by Member Meadows and seconded by Downey to approve the resolution as presented. On a call for votes, all members present voted “Yea”.

**Subject: Coronavirus Relief Fund Grant** – Mayor Stephens reported we are eligible to apply for the remaining money left on the grant. Motion made by Member Troxell and seconded by Member Metcalfe to apply the remainder of the grant. On a call for votes, all members present voted “Yea”.

**Subject: Coronavirus Relief Fund - Follow Up Info Utility Grant** – Clerk Mullins presented the requested information to council members on past due accounts. Arrangements have been made for residents to pay the past due bills in installment payments to avoid termination of service. At this time no recommendation was made to proceed with a utility grant.

**Subject: Fitness Center Membership** – Mayor Stephens reported it was time to renew the fitness center membership and wanted to see if there was any interest. He asked any interested parties to let him know through an email or text.

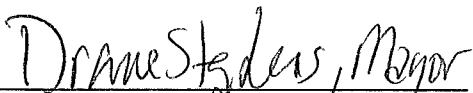
**Subject: Mayor's Update** – Mayor Stephens reported he had Officer Bailey go around to the individuals who left their trash carts at the road and issue warnings after the complaints at the last meeting.

Mayor Stephens present Council Member Mason with a plaque and thanked him for his service.

**Subject: Council – New Business** – Member Mason thanked the council for the plaque and said he had enjoyed working with each of them. He joined the council because he was tired of hearing people complaining and thought he could be a part of the change.

**Subject: Warrants** - The warrants for payment were presented and reviewed. Mayor Stephens reported there had been a mix up on the check that was made out to him and it would be voided. Motion made by Member Troxell and seconded by Member Mason to approve the warrants for payment as presented with the correction of the voided check. On a call for votes, all Members present voted “Yea”.

With no further business to be discussed, motion made by Member Mason and seconded by Member Armstrong to adjourn. All Members present voted “Yea”. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

  
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DRANE STEPHENS, MAYOR  
CITY OF EMINENCE, KENTUCKY

ATTEST:

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ROBIN L. MULLINS, CITY CLERK  
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