

## MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL

October 14, 2021

6:30 P.M.

The Murray City Council met in regular session on Thursday October 14, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall with Mayor Bob Rogers presiding.

**Council Members Present:** Johnny Bohannon, Wesley Bolin, Linda Cherry, Danny Hudspeth, Monty McCuiston, Dr. Burton Young, Rose Elder and Jeremy Bell.

**Council Members Absent:** Dr. Dan Miller and Ms. Pat Seiber

**Staff Present:** Jim Osborne, Kim Wyatt, Dannetta Clayton, Zach Warren, Ron Allbritten, Kim Miles, Rakov Aetherus, Warren Hopkins, Chief Jeff Liles and Bob Byczynski.

Mayor Rogers called the meeting to order and welcomed Council members, staff, and guests.

After a moment of reflection, Dr. Young led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The minutes of the Council meeting of September 23, 2021 were presented for approval. **Mr. Roberts moved for approval; seconded by Mr. Bohannon. All members present voted Aye.**

**Mayor's Report:** The Mayor had three individuals who he asked to give some reports to the Council. Mayor Rogers recognized Jamie Hughes the Public Health Director for the Calloway County Health Department to update the Council on Covid-19. Mr. Hughes said the first question that came to him was about Halloween. He stated the CDC is only issuing recommendations at this time. There are no mandates. Calloway County is not in the RED so he suggests to stay in small groups, be safe and try to be distanced from each other. Mr. Hughes stated he felt Calloway has been handling Covid very well. There are recommendations from them and the guidance comes from the CDC. He stated cases are on a downward turn and he encourages everyone be diligent in washing hands, staying six feet apart and be safe. Getting vaccinated is a good choice. They are trying to do clinics at schools, possibly a drive thru clinic and places such as the Weaks Center. Mr. Hughes stated the 3<sup>rd</sup> dose is for those who are immunocompromised, the boost dose is for those whose vaccination has weakened over time.

The Mayor set Halloween hours and a date to have Trick-or-Treating. He announced the Park will have the Trail of Treats in the park on Friday October 29<sup>th</sup> from 5p.m.-8 p.m.. Saturday October the 30<sup>th</sup> Trick-or-Treat hours are set from 5p.m.-8 p.m..

The Mayor recognized Ron Allbritten to gives us an update on the Miller St. sidewalk. Mr. Allbritten is quite pleased with the job that his department is performing. He showed pictures of the work they have completed and some on streets that they have not finished. 25% of the project has been completed and they will be taking a short break to catch up some other jobs that their department is responsible for. Mr. Allbritten believes that when all the work is completed the City would spend approximately \$90,000.00 in materials. Had this job been bid out it could have cost \$200,000-\$250,000. This has saved the City a tremendous amount of money.

Mr. Bohannon was called on to give a report from the Temporary Park Board. Mr. Bohannon stated that during the meeting they approved the Donation Naming Rights as suggested by the Mayor. Mr. Bohannon also stated there was someone coming to look at the pool to give estimates and there would

be bids on the soccer complex lighting. Mr. Bohannon said Mr. Yates gave a director's report that included a successful turnout for fall baseball over the weekend of September 26<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Yates also stated that tennis lessons were upcoming as well as Peak Fest. Mr. Yates has planned several upcoming activities in the park. The next Temporary Park Board meeting will be on October 28<sup>th</sup> when the bids for the soccer lights are in.

The Mayor added donations are coming in quite well and things seem to be coming to order. He stated a recommendation for soccer lighting will be coming before the Council soon.

**Health Insurance Committee Report** The Mayor recognized Chair Jeremy Bell to give a report on the Health Committee meeting that took place prior to the Council meeting. Mr. Bell stated the committee met to go over the renewal of the health insurance benefits of the employees. Mr. Bell said the committee approved unanimously to increase the cost of insurance by a small percentage. To give one example would be the insurance for a single employee would increase by ten (10) dollars per month. We are trying to keep the trust fund healthy as well as keep up with the changing times.  
**Mr. Bell made a motion to accept the recommendation; seconded by Mr. Roberts.**

**Ordinance Number 2021-1816** (First Reading) An Ordinance accepting a newly constructed street located in City West Office Park Subdivision, specifically: A street being 808 feet in length, having a 50 foot right of way, and having two 14.75 foot drive lanes with an overall roadway section of 29.5 feet wide, known as City West Drive (No Vote).

**Ordinance Number 2021-1815** (Second Reading) An Ordinance amending Ordinance Number 2021-1812, as Ordinance which adopted the 2021-2022 City of Murray, Kentucky Annual Budget by restating certain revenues and expenditures for the City of Murray Operations Budget. (Roll Call Vote).

**Mr. Bell moved to approve the ordinance; seconded by Mr. Roberts. There was a roll call vote.**

**Mr. Bell- Yes**

**Mr. McCuiston-Yes**

**Mr. Bohannon-Yes**

**Mr. Bolin- Yes**

**Ms. Cherry- Yes**

**Ms. Rouse-Yes**

**Ms. Elder-Yes**

**Mr. Roberts-Yes**

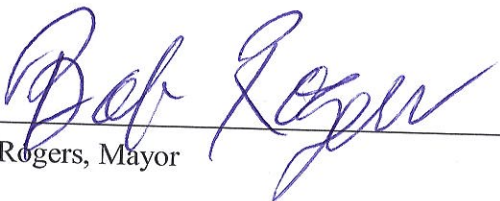
**Mr. Hudspeth-Yes**

**Dr. Young-Yes**

**Resolution 2021-009** A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept donations and to negotiate, enter into, sign & execute, donation agreements establishing the terms & conditions of each donation from individual, business and corporate donors, for the purpose of revitalizing & maintaining the city parks and further authorizing the Mayor to grant naming rights for projects within the city parks and establish the time period for naming rights said projects.

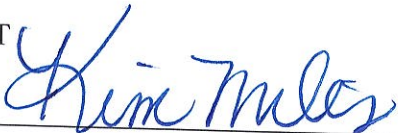
**Mr. Bohannon moved for approval; seconded by Ms. Cherry. All members present voted Aye.**

With no other business before the Council, **Mr. Bell moved to adjourn; seconded by Ms. Elder. All members present voted Aye.** The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.



Bob Rogers, Mayor

ATTEST



Kim Miles, City Clerk