

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL

July 27, 2023

6:30 P.M.

The Murray City Council met in regular session on Thursday, July 27, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall with Mayor Bob Rogers presiding.

Council Members Present: Mr. Bell, Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Bolin, Ms. Cherry, Mr. Darnall, Dr. Higginson, Mr. Hudspeth, Mr. McCuiston, Ms. Ross, Ms. Rouse, and Dr. Strieter.

Council Members Absent: Mr. Roberts

Staff Present: Jim Osborne, Warren Hopkins, Kim Wyatt, Carol Downey, Zach Warren, James Oakley, Chief Sam Bierds, and Kim Miles.

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

After a moment of reflection, Mr. Bolin led the pledge.

The minutes of the Council meeting of June 22, 2023, were presented for approval.

Mr. Bohannon moved for approval of the minutes; seconded by Dr. Strieter. All members present voted Aye.

Mayors Report Mayor Rogers recognized James Oakley, Street and Storm Water Supervisor to give an update on the precision sidewalk repairs, fall paving list, and rainfall from July 19, 2023. Mr. Oakley stated the precision sidewalk repairs (trip hazards) has been completed. The sidewalks are environmentally sound, and ADA compliant. This project was completed in four phases. The total project cost was \$177,390.00. The concrete alone would have cost the city approximately \$118,200.00. Fall paving will begin in October. It will take a couple of months to complete this project. Mr. Oakley stated streets included in the fall paving are Belmont, Canterbury, Clark, Doran Road South, Farris Avenue, Kirkwood, Mockingbird, Hurt, Nash, Park Street, Perrin, Tabard, Whippoorwill, Lowes, North 13th, and Enix Drive. Mr. Oakley stated that he was happy to report, that with the recent rainfall, the damage was minimum. He stated going back to February 2021 to current, we have made repairs that helped to handle to flow of the additional rainfall.

Mayor Rogers recognized Mr. McCuiston to give an update on the Summer Concert Series. Mr. McCuiston was happy to report it has been successful. Many departments work together to make this happen. The events are free, many local businesses are involved, and it brings revenue into our community. This provides the citizens of Murray with free entertainment for a few summer nights. The last concert is scheduled for August 19.

Surplus Property Mr. Osborne stated the Cemetery was in possession of a van that used to transport inmates to the cemetery. The Calloway County Jail now transports the inmates. The van is a 2014 model, 15 passenger, 31,000 miles and has damage on the interior. If the Council

surpluses the property, the value will be assessed, and then a determination will be made on what to do with said van.

Mr. Hudspeth moved to declare the property surplus; seconded by Ms. Cherry. All members present voted Aye.

Park Committee Report Mr. Bohannon reported the Park Committee met prior to Council to discuss an ordinance for the Park. The ordinance is for the usage of the Park.

Ordinance 2023-1853(First Reading) an ordinance amending City of Murray Code of Ordinances, Chapter 94: Parks, specifically to Re-Title the Chapter "Parks & Recreation" and to include new sections §94.02: Definitions; §94.03: Permitted Activities, §94.04: Permit Required; Contents of Application; Exceptions; §94.05: Occupational License; §94.06: Consideration for Permit Approval; Notice of Approval or Denial; Appeal; Revocation of Permit; §94.07: Duty of Permittee; §94.08 Public Liability Insurance; §94.09: Public Conduct During a Public Special Event; §94.10: Indemnification to specify the requirements for holding Special Events within the City and to modify Section §94.99: Penalty to Match Potential Offenses. (No Vote)

Personnel and Finance Report Mr. Hudspeth reported the Personnel and Finance Committee met prior to Council. Two items one the agenda. The Fire Department requested to purchase a Ladder Truck. The cost for the truck is 1.9 million dollars. There is a down payment of one million dollars required.

Mr. Hudspeth moved for approval; seconded by Mr. Bolin. All members present voted Aye.

Mr. Hudspeth stated the Police Department requested a vehicle fleet through the State Master Program. There are six vehicles in our budget, \$39,808.00 per vehicle. No local dealer was able to deliver in a timely manner. Requested vehicles are a Dodge SUV.

Mr. Hudspeth moved for approval; seconded by Ms. Ross. All members present voted Aye.

Insurance Committee Report Mr. Bell reported the Insurance Committee met prior to Council. They discussed seeking an agent for Health Insurance purposes. The topic was tabled until the Insurance Committee is presented with additional information.

Ordinance 2023-1852(First Reading) an ordinance amending City of Murray Code of Ordinances Chapter 156: Zoning Code, specifically to eliminate §156.100: Intent; §156.101 Definitions; §156.102: Procedure; and § 156.103 Required Conditions from the Zoning Code, in order to be in compliance with Chapter 115: Solicitors and Peddlers, specifically §115.07 Transient Business Regulations. (No Vote)

Consent Agenda

- a) **Municipal Order 2023-028** Appointment to the Parking Enforcement Hearing Board for a 3 year term
- b) **Municipal Order 2023-029** Appointment to the Parking Enforcement Hearing Board for a 3 year term
- c) **Municipal Order 2023-030** Reappointment to the Parking Enforcement Hearing Board for a three year term
- d) **Municipal Order 2023-031** Reappointment to the Electric Plant Board for a four year term.

Mr. Bell made a motion for approval; seconded by Mr. Bohannon. All members present voted Aye.

With no other business before the Council, **Mr. Bell moved to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Bohannon. All members present voted Aye.** The meeting adjourned at 7:02 P.M.



Bob Rogers, Mayor

ATTEST



Kim Miles, City Clerk