

MINUTES OF COUNCIL

February 18, 2016

6:30 P.M.

The Murray City Council met in regular session Thursday, February 18, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall with Mayor Jack Rose presiding.

Council Members Present: Jeremy Bell, Robert Billington, Johnny Bohannon, Linda Cherry, Danny Hudspeth, Dan Miller, Jason Pittman, Pat Scott, Butch Seargent, Jane Shoemaker, Greg Taylor, Burton Young

Council Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Ron Allbritten, Luke Crawford, Officer Tim Fortner, Robert Jeffries, Mandy McReynolds, Cathy Morris, Ernie O'Bryan, David Roberts, Tina Sexton, Richard Vanover, Chief Liles, Chief Pologruto, City Attorney Warren Hopkins

After a moment of silence, Mr. Scott led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Rose welcomed Council members and guests and called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the Council Meeting of January 28 2016 were corrected (adjournment motion) and presented for approval. **Mr. Scott moved; seconded by Ms. Shoemaker.** All members voted aye.

Mayor Rose presented the Mayor's Report as outlined below:

1. Firefighter recognition—Chief Pologruto presented Acting Lieutenant Mark Lovell; Firefighter David Frank, and Firefighter Russell Boyd, who were recognized by Council for the recent fire rescue of a female victim in Murray.
2. Frankfort visit update—Mayor Rose and Finance Director Luke Crawford met with Senator Humphries and Representative Imes to discuss issues of local concern while participating in Kentucky League of Cities, KCADD and West Kentucky Thank You Night (Chamber) events.

Mayor Rose stated there had been no requests for public comment.

Personnel and Finance Committee Chair, Danny Hudspeth, stated the Personnel and Finance Committee met prior to the Council Meeting to discuss a budget amendment and bids for a Natural Gas line extension. Mr. Hudspeth directed Council to Agenda Item # 12 and recognized Finance Director Luke Crawford who explained how the adjustments made to the current budget more accurately reflected actual expenses.

Ordinance Number 2016-1691 (first reading) an ordinance amending Ordinance Number 2015-1669, which adopted the FY 2015-2016 City of Murray, Kentucky Annual Budget, by restating certain revenues and expenditures for the City of Murray Operations Budget was presented for approval on first reading. **Mr. Hudspeth moved; seconded by Mr. Pittman.**

Ayes: Jeremy Bell, Robert Billington, Johnny Bohannon, Linda Cherry, Danny Hudspeth, Dan Miller, Jason Pittman, Pat Scott, Butch Seargent, Jane Shoemaker, Greg Taylor, Burton Young
Nays: None

Mr. Hudspeth stated the Committee also reviewed bids for the installation of almost 20,000 linear feet of 4” gas line pipe. He said the low bid of \$43,980.00 was submitted by Brown Excavating and **moved** for Council to approve the bid; **seconded by Mr. Bohannon**. All members voted aye.

MSU/City Council Committee Chair, Jane Shoemaker, stated the MSU/City Council Committee met prior to the Council Meeting to discuss a draft resolution in support of Murray State University facing state proposed funding cuts for the current and next two fiscal years. Ms. Shoemaker asked Council members to review the draft resolution. The Committee took no action at this time.

Mayor Rose recognized Carol Brunn, the new director of MSU’s Town and Gown program.

Mayor Rose recognized Cathy Morris who presented information concerning the recent Value Stream Mapping workshop, a partnership with Pella Corporation—Murray Operations. Ms. Morris explained the value stream mapping process, the results produced by the participants and how the City planned to implement the results of the workshop to serve business-related customers more efficiently.

Council Members discussed a tax abatement ordinance for the purpose of aiding/encouraging property owners to renovate aged/dilapidated properties within the Historic District. Council requested the City Attorney draft an ordinance for review in keeping with the guidelines, amounts, and time tables discussed. City Attorney Warren Hopkins and Murray Main Street Director Deana Wright discussed related statutory elements and possible scenarios of a potential tax moratorium ordinance.

Ordinance Number 2016-1689, an ordinance amending City of Murray Code of Ordinances, Chapter 71 LICENSING, specifically §71.99 Penalties and Violations to amend the late fee charged for purchasing a license after the due date and for purchasing a license upon receipt of a Notice of Violation—effective June 1, 2016—was presented for approval on second reading. **Mr. Bohannon moved; seconded by Ms. Shoemaker.**

Ayes: Jeremy Bell, Robert Billington, Johnny Bohannon, Linda Cherry, Danny Hudspeth, Dan Miller, Jason Pittman, Pat Scott, Butch Seargent, Jane Shoemaker, Greg Taylor, Burton Young
Nays: None

Ordinance Number 2016-1690, an ordinance amending City of Murray Code of Ordinances, §110 BUSINESS REGULATIONS, specifically §110.02 Definitions, and to amend §110.07 Application, §110.10 License Tax (A), (B) and (C), and §110.99 Penalty—effective April 1, 2016 was presented for approval on second reading. **Dr. Miller moved; seconded by Mr. Billington.**

Ayes: Jeremy Bell, Robert Billington, Johnny Bohannon, Linda Cherry, Danny Hudspeth, Dan Miller, Jason Pittman, Pat Scott, Butch Seargent, Jane Shoemaker, Greg Taylor, Burton Young
Nays: None

Ordinance Number 2016-1692, an ordinance amending Chapter 156 (Zoning Code), specifically §156.075, §156.078 and §156.999 (A) of the City of Murray Code of Ordinances in order to clarify and improve the zoning enforcement process by the Code Enforcement Officer and the Code Enforcement Board was presented for approval on first reading. **Mr. Taylor moved; seconded by Dr. Miller.**

Ayes: Jeremy Bell, Robert Billington, Johnny Bohannon, Linda Cherry, Danny Hudspeth, Dan Miller, Jason Pittman, Pat Scott, Butch Seargent, Jane Shoemaker, Greg Taylor, Burton Young
Nays: None

Ordinance Number 2016-1693, an ordinance enacting and adopting a supplement to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Murray, Kentucky was presented for approval on first reading. **Mr. Billington moved; seconded by Mr. Hudspeth.**

Ayes: Jeremy Bell, Robert Billington, Johnny Bohannon, Linda Cherry, Danny Hudspeth, Dan Miller, Jason Pittman, Pat Scott, Butch Seargent, Jane Shoemaker, Greg Taylor, Burton Young
Nays: None

Resolution Number 2016-001 a resolution authorizing the submittal of an application for Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection , Division of Waste Management grant funds, and authorizing the mayor to sign and execute any and all documents necessary to pursue said funds was presented for approval. **Dr. Miller moved; seconded by Mr. Bohannon.** All members voted aye.

With no other business before the Council, **Mr. Billington moved** to adjourn; **seconded by Mr. Bohannon.** All members voted aye. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Jack Rose, Mayor

ATTEST:

June Batts, City Clerk