

MINUTES OF COUNCIL

November 21, 2017

6:30 P.M.

The Murray City Council met in regular session Thursday, November 21, 2017, 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, Wesley Bolin, Linda Cherry, Danny Hudspeth, Dan Miller, Jason Pittman, John Mark Roberts, Pat Scott, Jane Shoemaker, Burton Young.

Council Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Tim Fortner, Chris Garland, City Attorney Warren Hopkins, Tom Kutcher, Chief Jeff Liles, Bennett Moore, Cathy Morris, Jim Osborne, David Roberts, Kim Wyatt

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

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

The Minutes of the Council Meeting of November 9, 2017, were presented for approval. **Mr. Roberts moved; seconded by Ms. Shoemaker. All present voted Aye.**

Mayor's Report

- a) Mayor Rose recognized Tim Zeiss, Murray High School Band Director along with the seniors and officers of the Murray High School Band for winning the Class A State Championship. Mayor Rose presented each with a City of Murray pin.
- b) Mayor Rose stated there was not much to report regarding the status of the KRS pension reform because it's still unknown if or when the Governor will call a special session. Mayor Rose encouraged active employees and retired employees to stay in touch with state officials.
- c) Mayor Rose recognized Jim Osborne. Mr. Osborne gave an update on the move to the new City Hall.
- d) Mayor Rose recognized Tom Kutcher. Mr. Kutcher gave an update on the progress of two capital projects; the Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade and the Water Plant Clearwell project.

Public Comment Mayor Rose reported that there were no requests for public comment.

Mayor Rose recognized Public Works Committee Chairman Danny Hudspeth. Chairman Hudspeth reported that the Committee had a meeting scheduled prior to the Council meeting with one item on the agenda. The committee reviewed bids for two brine tanks. Mr. Hudspeth stated two bids were received; one from Varitech in the amount of \$24,000.00 (which did not meet specifications) and, one from Ky Fab in the amount of \$25,316.00 (which did meet specifications).

Chairman Hudspeth reported that the Committee approved the bid from Ky Fab in the amount of \$25,316.00, and recommended acceptance. **Mr. Hudspeth moved; Ms. Shoemaker seconded.**

Mayor Rose called for a voice vote. **All present voted Aye.**

Mayor Rose recognized Public Safety Chairman Robert Billington. Chairman Billington reported that the Committee had a meeting scheduled prior to the Council meeting to discuss the closure of S. 3rd Street. Mr. Billington stated that the Committee agreed to table the item until the December 14, 2017, meeting and

recommended that City employees, First Baptist Church representatives, and other community members meet to look at all possible options.

Mayor Rose recognized Personnel and Finance Committee Chairman Johnny Bohannon. Chairman Bohannon reported that the Committee had a meeting scheduled prior to the Council meeting with two items on the agenda. Mr. Bohannon turned the report over to Mayor Rose. Mayor Rose stated the Council approved the Final Report of the Mayor's Committee on Revenues, Needs and Expenditures, which is what the City is following with the first item on the report; police salary compensations. Mayor Rose recognized Cathy Morris to give an overview of Ordinance Number 2017-1748. Ms. Morris explained that the purpose of Section 1 in the Ordinance is to eliminate the Telecommunications Supervisor position and add a Telecommunications Team Leader position. Ms. Morris stated that Section 2 in the Ordinance is a Police Pay Progression Program. Ms. Morris explained that Phase I would go into effect January 2018. Based on estimated current salaries, retirement, FICA, and Medicare, the overall budget impact would be approximately \$90,000.00. Ms. Morris also explained that Phase II would go into effect FY 2019 with an estimated budget impact of \$526,000.00 to \$597,000.00. Ms. Morris then gave an overall summary of each phase. Mr. Pittman stated that it was mentioned in the Committee meeting to look at pay structures throughout other departments. Mayor Rose explained the first item in the Final Report of the Mayor's Committee on Revenues, Needs and Expenditures was the Police Department. The second item was the Fire Department, which is different amounts of money, but the concept of structure is the same. Mr. Bolin stated that retention is a big issue City-wide and a similar structure needs to be looked at for all departments.

Ordinance Number 2017-1748 (first reading) an ordinance amending Ordinance Number 2017-1738, an ordinance which adopted the FY 2017-2018 City of Murray, Kentucky Annual Budget by restating certain revenues and expenditures for the City of Murray Operations Budget. **Mr. Bohannon moved; Ms. Shoemaker seconded.**

Mayor Rose called for a roll call vote.

Ayes: Mr. Bell, Mr. Billington, Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Bolin, Ms. Cherry, Mr. Hudspeth, Dr. Miller, Mr. Pittman, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Scott, Ms. Shoemaker, Dr. Young.

Nays: None

Mayor Rose explained the purpose of Ordinance Number 2017-1749. Mayor Rose stated that Section 1 was a capital expenditures request for an additional \$150,000 for the renovation of the New City Hall building, Section 2 was a capital expenditures request for an additional \$98,500 for the construction project of a new clear well, and Section 3 was an operating expense for an additional \$45,000 for legal services.

Ordinance Number 2017-1749 (first reading) an ordinance amending Ordinance Number 2017-1738, an ordinance which adopted the FY 2017-2018 City of Murray, Kentucky Annual Budget by restating certain revenues and expenditures for the City of Murray Operations Budget. **Mr. Bohannon moved; Mr. Pittman seconded.**

Mayor Rose called for a roll call vote.

Ayes: Mr. Bell, Mr. Billington, Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Bolin, Ms. Cherry, Mr. Hudspeth, Dr. Miller, Mr. Pittman, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Scott, Ms. Shoemaker, Dr. Young.

Nays: None

Resolution 2017-1749 A resolution authorizing the Murray Cable Commission to utilize a portion of franchise funding for the purpose of enabling the Murray Independent School System and the Calloway County School System to send those students eligible and desiring to attend the Student Television Network Conference in 2018. **Mr. Bell moved; Mr. Bohannon seconded.**

Mayor Rose called for a voice vote. **All present voted Aye.**

The following Consent Agenda was presented for approval

- a) **Municipal Order 2017-031** Reappointing Doris Saunders to the Human Rights Commission for a three (3) year term to expire November 21, 2020
- b) **Municipal Order 2017-032** Appointing David Pizzo to the Architectural Review Board for a three (3) year term to expire November 21, 2020
- c) **Municipal Order 2017-033** Appointing Jasmine Scott to the Human Rights Commission for a three (3) year term to expire November 21, 2020.

Mr. Pittman moved to approve the Consent Agenda; Mr. Bell seconded.

Mayor Rose called for a voice vote. **All present voted Aye.**

With no other business before the Council, **Mr. Billington moved to adjourn; Mr. Bohannon seconded. All present voted Aye.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Jack Rose, Mayor

ATTEST

Dannetta Clayton, City Clerk