

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL

November 22, 2022

6:30 P.M.

The Murray City Council met in regular session on Thursday November 22, 2022 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. Hudspeth, Dr. Young, Ms. Elder, Dr. Miller, Ms. Rouse, Mr. Roberts and Mr. McCuiston

Council Members Absent: Ms. Cherry, Mr. Bolin and Ms. Seiber

Staff Present: Warren Hopkins, Kim Wyatt, Marisa Stewart, Jamie Erwin, Carol Downey and Kim Miles.

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

After a moment of reflection, (Boy Scouts from Pack 2057 Webelos Den 2) led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The minutes of the Council meeting of October 27, 2022 were presented for approval.

Mr. Roberts moved for approval of the minutes; seconded by Mr. McCuiston. All members present voted Aye.

Mayors Report Mayor Rogers stated the Festival of Lights presented by our Parks System would begin on Friday, November 25, 2022. He encourages everyone to drive through the Park and enjoy the lights. Mayor Rogers thanked the Park Staff for working on this project. It has taken a couple of months to get this prepared.

Staff Update Mayor Rogers recognized City Planner, Carol Downey to update the Council on the Planning Department, Dannetta Clayton The Planning and Engineering Director was unable to attend. Ms. Downey stated there have been a few changes within the department due to some retirements. Currently the department is working on the Comp Plan update, a zoning ordinance update and food truck ordinance.

Ms. Downey stated the first item they are working on for the Comp Plan is the Land Use Component. Chris Lamm is the GIS Supervisor who has been with the City for over 26 years. His team consists of Marshall Thompson and Logan McGowan who are students at Murray State University. Recently, 30 new benchmarks were placed to improve survey and map data accuracy. E911 system creation and maintenance for the City Dispatch. They have also been working on GIS mapping of unmapped water and gas meters, leaf and brush pick up program maps for website tracking.

Marisa Stewart is the Project Manager for the City. She recently took her Level 3 Inspector test, which gives her expanded jurisdiction and is able to inspect commercial developments thus saving the developer time and money. Marisa also writes grants for requested projects and oversees many bids. Marisa is most definitely an asset to the Planning Department.

Lindsay Aycock replaced Reta Grey upon her retirement, as Administrative Assistant. Lindsay is a document management expert. This position has been expanded to several other job duties. Lindsay scans in and archives all documents. She attends all Planning Commission, BZA and ARB meetings. She processes all invoices for the Planning Department.

Ms. Downey stated she is the City Planner and assists with zoning questions, annexations, minor subdivision plats, sign permits and regulations. Ms. Downey stated we want to help new businesses accomplish their goals. The City wants to be friendly and encourages growth.

Public Works Report Mayor Rogers recognized Mr. Hudspeth to update the Council on the meeting that was held prior to Council. Mr. Hudspeth stated there was two items on the agenda; revisions to Ordinances Chapter 50 and Chapter 51. Mr. Hudspeth stated these ordinances have not been revised extensively since 1956. Mr. Hudspeth stated they were somewhat outdated. Mr. Hudspeth stated the staff, administration and attorneys have worked on these extensively. Mr. Hudspeth stated a lot of wording and fees have been changed. He suggest you read over it and if you have any questions to contact the ones he mentioned to go over it with you before our next meeting.

Mr. Hudspeth made a motion to send the revised ordinances, as they are to Council for ratification first reading; seconded by Mr. Roberts.

Mayor Rogers called for the First Reading of the Ordinances.

Ordinance 2022-1836 (First Reading) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY OF MURRAY CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 50: GENERAL PROVISIONS: PUBLIC UTILITIES, SPECIFICALLY TO AMEND PARAGRAPHS, §50.01, §50.02, §50.03, §50.04, §50.05, §50.06, §50.07, §50.08, §50.09, §50.10, §50.11, §50.12, §50.13, §50.14, §50.15, §50.16 AND §50.99, TO CLARIFY TERMS AND PROVISIONS, CORRECT GRAMMAR AND PUNCTUATION, and TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER ORDINANCES. (No Vote)

Ordinance 2022-1837 (First Reading) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY OF MURRAY CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 51: NATURAL GAS SYSTEM, SPECIFICALLY TO AMEND OR ADD PARAGRAPHS §51.01, §51.02, §51.03, §51.04, §51.05, §51.06, §51.07, §51.08, §51.09, §51.10, §51.11, §51.12, §51.13, §51.14, §51.15, §51.16, §51.20, §51.21, §51.23 and §51.99, and TO REPEAL THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES AND/OR SECTIONS: (No Vote)

Surplus Property Bid Mayor Rogers stated in a meeting a few months back the Council voted to surplus a piece of property located on Rayburn Road. The City Attorney completed the legal work on this property and the City received sealed bids. Mr. Smotherman was the only person to submit a bid. The bid amount was for \$7500.00. Mayor Rogers recommended approval of that bid.

Mr. Bohannon moved for approval of the bid; seconded by Mr. McCuiston. All members present voted Aye.


Board Appointment Municipal Order 2022-029 Mr. Thomas Hornbuckle Jr. was appointed to the Transit Authority Board to replace the unexpired term of Mr. James Clinger. Said term to expire on January 28, 2024.

Mr. Roberts made a motion to approve the appointment of Mr. Hornbuckle to the transit Authority Board; seconded by Mr. Hudspeth. All members present voted Aye.

Board Appointment Municipal Order 2022-030 Ms. Deana Wright was reappointed to the Code Enforcement Board. Said term to expire December 8, 2025.

Mr. Bell made a motion to approve the reappointment of Ms. Wright, seconded by Ms. Rouse. All members present voted Aye.

With no other business before the Council, **Mr. Bell moved to adjourn; seconded by Ms. Rose. All members present voted Aye.** The meeting adjourned at 6:55 P.M.



Bob Rogers, Mayor

Pro Tem, Danny Hudspeth

ATTEST



Kim Miles, City Clerk