

**MINUTES OF
COUNCIL**

March 25, 2021

6:30 P.M.

The Murray City Council met in regular session on Thursday, March 25, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall with Mayor Bob Rogers presiding.

Council Members Present: Jeremy Bell, Johnny Bohannon, Wesley Bolin, Linda Cherry via WebEx, Danny Hudspeth, Dan Miller, John Mark Roberts, Rose Elder, Monty McCuiston, Alice Rouse, Pat Seiber

Council Member Absent: Burton Young

Staff Present: Ron Allbritten, Warren Hopkins, Tom Kutcher, Kim Miles, James Oakley, Jim Osborne, Zach Warren, Kim Wyatt

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

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

The minutes of the Council Meeting of March 11, 2021, were presented for approval. **Monty McCuiston moved for approval; seconded by Alice Rouse. All members present voted Aye.**

Mayor's Report

Mayor Rogers gave a brief summary on the American Recovery Act. Mayor Rogers stated 1.9 trillion dollars will be distributed across the country to aid families, individuals, city governments, educational facilities, aviation, small restaurants and many others. He believes the City of Murray will receive funds, but does not know the amount. He stated a rescue plan needs to be ready to approve how the money is spent. He stated he and Mr. Osborne have been in many meetings collecting as much information as possible to inform the Council, and once everything is in place, a plan of action will be implemented.

Mayor Rogers recognized Public Works Chair, Danny Hudspeth. Chair Hudspeth reported that the Public Works Committee had a meeting prior to City Council meeting at 5:20 p.m., with two items on the agenda: a box culvert replacement bid at 1312 Main Street, and a drainage study proposal for North 16th Street.

Chair Hudspeth stated the Committee unanimously voted to accept the lowest bid that meet specifications from Site Works, in the amount of \$44,900.00, for the box culvert replacement at 1312 Main Street. **Danny Hudspeth moved for approval; seconded by Dan Miller. All members present voted Aye.**

Chair Hudspeth stated the Committee unanimously voted to accept the drainage study proposal from Bacon Farmer Workman Engineers for options to improve the drainage south of Lowes Drive, west of North 16th Street, and east of HWY 641 North, in the amount of \$27,920.00. **Danny Hudspeth moved to accept the proposal; seconded by Jeremy Bell. All members present voted Aye.**

Mayor Rogers recognized Personnel and Finance Chair, Danny Hudspeth. Chair Hudspeth reported the Personnel and Finance Committee had a meeting prior to the council meeting at 5:35 p.m., with four items on the agenda: a budget amendment, a cemetery mowing agreement, surplus property, and delinquent property taxes.

Chair Hudspeth recognized Kim Wyatt. Ms. Wyatt explained the budget amendment in detail.

Chair Hudspeth stated the committee unanimously voted to approve the Calloway County Jail, under supervision, to maintain the cemetery, in the amount of \$59,000.00 annually. He stated this will allow city employees to maintain other city jobs that they have been unable to complete due to mowing the cemetery. **Danny Hudspeth moved for approval; seconded by Johnny Bohannon. All members present voted Aye.**

Chair Hudspeth stated the committee unanimously voted to declare surplus the property located off of HWY 94 East, near McDougal Road, which was acquired several years ago from Water District #1. **Danny Hudspeth made a motion to accept the land as surplus property; seconded by John Mark Roberts. All members voted Aye.**

Chair Hudspeth stated the Committee a good discussion on different options to collect delinquent property taxes.

Ordinance Number 2021-1807 (first reading) an ordinance amending Ordinance Number 2020-1796 an ordinance which adopted the FY 21 City of Murray, Kentucky annual budget by restating certain revenues and expenditures for the City of Murray Operations Budget.

Resolution Number 2021-001 a resolution of the City of Murray, Kentucky, authorizing the Mayor, or his designee, to sell, transfer and convey by covenant of general warranty, the real property specifically described herein to the highest bidder in accordance with KRS 45A.365 (3) and (4). **John Mark Roberts moved for approval; seconded by Alice Rouse. All members present vote Aye.**

Municipal Order Number 2021-0011 to appoint Kevin Saal to the Convention and Visitors Bureau to fill the unexpired term of Tim Thurmond. Said term to expire July 14, 2021. **Dan Miller moved for approval; seconded by Monty McCuiston. All members present voted Aye.**

With no other business before the Council, **Jeremy Bell moved to adjourn; seconded by Johnny Bohannon. All members present voted Aye.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Bob Rogers, Mayor

ATTEST

Kim Miles, City Clerk