

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL

May 13, 2021

6:30 P.M.

The Murray City Council met in regular session on Thursday May 13, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall with Mayor Bob Rogers presiding.

Council Members Present: Johnny Bohannon, Wesley Bolin, Linda Cherry, Rose Elder, Danny Hudspeth, Monty McCuiston, Dan Miller, John Mark Roberts, Alice Rouse, Pat Seiber and Burton Young

Council Members Absent: Jeremy Bell

Staff Present: Jim Osborne, Dannetta Clayton, City Attorney Warren Hopkins, Kim Miles, Zach Warren, Ron Allbritten, Chief Jeff Liles and Bob Byczynski

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

After a moment of reflection, Danny Hudspeth led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The minutes of the Council meeting of April 22, 2021 were presented for approval. **Mr. Roberts moved for approval; seconded by Ms. Alice Rouse. All members present voted Aye.**

Mayor Rogers asked for a motion to amend the agenda he was unaware the Cemetery Committee would have some action items. **Mr. Danny Hudspeth moved to amend the agenda; Ms. Linda Cherry. All members present voted Aye.**

Mayor Rogers began his report with stating anyone who has received their vaccination can now go mask free. He reported the CDC has now updated their mask policy to anyone who has had a vaccination can safely remove their mask. The CDC still recommends to practice social distancing and continue to practice washing your hands often. If a business requires you wear them you still must. The Governor said he would abide by the CDC. The Mayor reminded everyone business license are due by May 31. We may want to start reminding people. The Mayor visited Burke's Grand Opening and was happy to report it was good to see so many in the store. He reported so many are excited to see stores start reopening and he is one of those people.

Mayor Rogers recognized Transportation Committee Chair, Dan Miller. Chair Miller reported the Murray Calloway County Hospital would like to put in two (2) speed tables to slow traffic down on 8th Street so that their cancer patients and employees could cross safely. The Murray Calloway County Hospital hired BFW to install the speed tables and Mr. Bobby Deitz was on hand to answer questions. There was discussion about a 4 inch and 6 inch speed table. Mr. Deitz explained we have 6 inch speed tables located on MSU Campus on 16th Street and they are working well. Mr. Deitz said that by going with the 6 inch speed table it would save money. Our curbs are 6 inch and would match the speed tables; to do 4 inch speed tables on 8th Street it would require tearing out curbs and some sidewalk to make it match. **Mr. Dan Miller made a motion to approve the Murray Calloway County Hospital request to put in two (2) 6 inch speed tables located on 8th Street; seconded by Ms. Linda Cherry, 7 members voted Aye, 3 members voted Nay. Motion passed.**

Bid Approval for HVAC Unit \$75,000.00 was set aside in the budget for a HVAC unit to be placed at the Police Department. We only received one bid therefore we did not have a committee meeting. The

bid was from Thornton Heating & Air for \$63,250.00 and it did meet specifications. **Ms. Alice Rouse moved to accept the bid; seconded by Ms. Linda Cherry. All members present voted Aye.**

The mayor called on Cemetery Committee Chair for a report. Chair Cherry reported that they have been working on getting grave stone markers matched up with the right graves. The Calloway Monument Company provided the markers and did the engraving. JH Churchill placed the lost headstones in one place. Tom Emery collected all the headstones and cleaned them up. He and his crew then placed them an arrangement that looks beautiful. Chair Cherry then recommended the bid of Corey Keene to pressure wash the cemetery and for the city to reimburse Justin Franklin for materials to restore the painting in the cemetery. **Ms. Pat Seiber made a motion to accept; seconded by Mr. Burton Young. All members present voted Aye.**

Mayor Rogers asked for a motion to open the Public Hearing portion of tonight's meeting. **Mr. Dan Miller made a motion to do so; seconded by Mr. Danny Hudspeth. All members present voted Aye.**

The City of Murray accepted an invitation from the Department to allow it to participate in a cooperative program to aid the City in construction, reconstruction and maintenance of certain roads and bridges using its share of the Municipal Road Aid Funds apportioned to it by the Department as provided in this agreement. The amount is \$360,326.56 of which 3% will be put in an emergency fund and the rest forwarded to the City of Murray. With no questions from the public **Mr. Dan Miller made a motion to close the Public Hearing; seconded by Mr. John Mark Roberts. All members voted Aye.**

Resolution 2021-003 a resolution adopting and approving the execution of a Municipal Aid Co-op Program contract with the Commonwealth of Kentucky for FY 2022

With no questions on this resolution the Mayor called for a roll call vote. **All members called upon voted Aye.**

Resolution 2021-004 a resolution authorizing The Park Board of The City of Murray Kentucky to accept donations and to establish guidelines for accepting donations from individual, business and corporate donors, for the purpose of revitalizing the City Parks and further authorizing The Park Board, at the sole discretion, to grant naming rights for projects, for a thirty (30) year time period, to whose contributions equals or exceeds \$500,000 and lesser time period for donors whose contributions is less than \$500,000.

Park Board member Ms. Rose Elder explained that this is a good opportunity to raise funds for our park system which is need of funds to maintain our Parks. She stated it will be similar to how other areas are conducting fund raising for their communities. Our park already names an area after who made the donation such as Owen Station Splash Park is named after the donor Mr. Owen. Taking care and updating our parks attract tourism and overall is good for our community. After some discussion everyone seemed to want what is best for our community.

Mr. Johnny Bohannon made a motion to accept; seconded by Mr. Wesley Bolin. All members present voted Aye.

Resolution 2021-005 a resolution authorizing The City of Murray, Kentucky to appoint a 504 Handicap Coordinator for The CDBG-CV Utility Assistance Project.

Mayor Rogers recognized Mr. Jim Osborne to give more information. Mr. Osborne explained with the Community Block Development Grant for utility assistance requires a person to be designated to handle complaints relating to the alleged discrimination based on handicapped status. Mr. Osborne said we had an employee who could assume this responsibility. **Mr. Dan Miller made a motion to accept said resolution; seconded by Ms. Alice Rouse.**

Municipal Order Number 2021-012 to reappoint Michael Dobbs to the Transit Authority for a four (4)

year term. Said term to expire May 9, 2025. **Mr. John Mark Roberts moved to accept; seconded by Ms. Linda Cherry. All members present voted Aye.**

Ordinance Number 2021-1808 (first reading) an ordinance amending the City of Murray Zoning Ordinance to amend Chapter 156.050 Signs, specifically section (F)(1) Sign Regulations in Industrial Districts, in order to update text and clarify current sign regulations for The City of Murray, Kentucky.

The Mayor recognized Planning Director, Ms. Dannetta Clayton to inform the Council. Ms. Clayton stated this changes the allowable wall signage in industrial zones, an 80 square foot façade up to an 8% of the building. Two business had to go before the BZA to ask for variances to change the signage. They voted 5-0 to bring this before Council.

This will have a second reading on May 27, 2021.

Ordinance 2021-1809 (first reading) an ordinance accepting two (2) newly constructed streets located in Deerfield Estates Phase II and Phase III specifically: a street being 824 feet in length, having a 50 foot right of way, known as Deerfield Run; and a street being 525 feet in length , having a 50 foot right of way and known as Martin Drive.

The Mayor recognized Ms. Dannetta Clayton. Ms. Clayton stated Deerfield Run and Martin Drive both meet all City requirements. All curbs and sidewalks are finished except where two houses are being built. The planning Commission voted to bring this to Council.

This will have a second reading on May 27, 2021.

Ordinance 2021-1810 (First Reading) an ordinance amending City of Murray Code of Ordinances, section 32, Architectural Review Board, specifically 32.69 approval of changes to landmarks and property in historic districts, (B)(1) application process, in order to clearly define the process for a certificate of appropriateness in the Historic Overlay District .

The Mayor recognized Ms. Dannetta Clayton. Ms. Clayton said Murray Main Street is applying to become a certified local government and before they can do that they have to take the manager out of the process. If this passes it will open up more opportunities for Murray Main Street to apply for more grants.

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With no other business before the Council, **Johnny Bohannon moved to adjourn; seconded by Mr. John Mark Roberts. All members present voted Aye.** The meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Bob Rogers, Mayor

ATTEST

Kim Miles, City Clerk