MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL

February 8, 2024 6:00 P.M.

The Murray City Council met in a regular session on Thursday, February 8, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall with Mayor Bob Rogers presiding.

Council Members Present: Mr. Bell, Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Bolin, Joe Darnall, Dr. Higginson, Mr. Hudspeth, Mr. McCuiston, Ms. Rouse, and Dr. Strieter.

Council Members Absent: Ms. Cherry, Mr. Roberts, and Ms. Ross.

Staff Present: Jim Osborne, Chief Bierds, Shane Knight, Paul Wood, Ron Allbritten, Rakov Aetherus, and Kim Miles.

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

After a moment of reflection, Dr. Higginson led the pledge.

The minutes of the Council meeting of January 11, 2024, were presented for approval.

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

Mayor's Report

<u>Public Works Report</u> Mr. McCuiston stated prior to Council, a Public Works Committee meeting took place. Mr. McCuiston introduced Bobby Stewart from Republic Services who spoke on the possibility of offering commercial recycling to businesses in Murray. Mr. Stewart stated the residential recycling was a success here in Murray and he felt offering this to businesses would go over well. Republic Services is working out the details.

<u>Water Treatment Plant Update</u> Mr. Knight stated that over his twenty-five years with the City, he has seen many emergencies that he questioned if the plant could keep up. Over a billion gallons of water is pumped through our water plant per year. Mr. Wood went over the updates that have been made over the last two years.

Municipal Order 2024-003 appointing Cheryl Crouch to the Senior Citizens Board for a term of one year. Said term to expire January 10, 2025.

Mr. Bell made a motion; seconded by Mr. Bolin. All members present voted Aye.

<u>Municipal Order 2024-004</u> reappointing Dan Renick to the Hospital Board for a term of four years. Said term to expire March 31, 2028.

Mr. Bohannon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hudspeth. All members present voted Aye.

<u>Municipal Order 2024-005</u> appointing Tonya Wetherington to the Convention and Visitors Bureau to fill an unexpired term. Said term to expire November 24, 2024.

Dr. Higginson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rouse. All members present voted Aye.

<u>Surplus Property</u> Mr. Osborne stated a piece of property located on 94 west is no longer needed by the City. He stated this piece of property is of no use to the City.

Mr. Bohannon made a motion; seconded by Mr. Darnall. All members present voted Aye.

<u>Executive Session</u> pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(c) for the purpose of discussions of pending litigation against or on behalf of the City of Murray.

Mr. Bell made a motion to enter Executive Session; seconded by Mr. Darnall. All members present voted Aye (entered at 6:23 p.m.).

Mr. Bohannon made a motion to exit Executive Session; seconded by Dr. Higginson. All members present voted Aye (exited at 7:01 p.m.).

With no other business before the Council, Mr. Bell moved to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Darnall. All members present voted Aye. The meeting adjourned at 7:04 P.M.

Bob Rogers, Mayor

Kim Miles, City Clerk