

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL

April 14, 2022

6:30 P.M.

The Murray City Council met in regular session on Thursday April 14, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall with Mayor Bob Rogers presiding.

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

Council Members Absent: Alice Rouse

Staff Present: Warren Hopkins, Jim Osborne, Shane Knight, Matt Turner, Rakov Aetherus, Ron Allbritten, James Oakley, Chief Liles, Bob Byczynski and Kim Miles.

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

After a moment of reflection, Mr. Roberts led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The minutes of the Council meeting of March 24, 2022 were presented for approval. **Mr. Bohannon moved for approval; seconded by Mr. Roberts. All members present voted Aye.**

Mayor's Report: The Mayor recognized Ms. Wright from Murray Main Street to give an annual report. Ms. Wright announced the logo has changed. They have added bright colors and swoosh. All of Ms. Wright's contact information is located in a folder that she handed out to all members. Ms. Wright went over the past years accomplishments, which included the internet coming to Court Square to provide a portal for the Farmer's Market vendors to accept payments. There were grants written and received from various places. The Fiscal Year 2021 Budget is available in the folder that Ms. Wright passed out to Council.

Mayor Rogers announced the Dedication of the Fire Station will be Sunday May 15, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. The reason the dedication had been put off was due to Covid. Mayor Rogers believes a Sunday afternoon after church is the perfect time for the viewing. Chief Pologruto and his staff will be prepared to give tours.

Mayor Rogers introduced Mr. Shane Knight as the new Public Works Director. Mr. Knight was promoted from within. Mr. Knight stated he was a longtime resident of Calloway County, is married to Monica Knight and has one son, John Morgan. He stated he began his employment with the City in February of 1999 as a Maintenance Worker 1, the lowest level to begin. Mr. Knight has grown to love the work he does at Public Works. He has learned many lessons and has established valuable working relationships within the community. Mr. Knight is excited to be working on the sewer main extension from Highway 80 to 641. He also hopes to relocate water lines on 4th Street from Walnut Street to Ash Street to get the main out of the street. There are many projects that Mr. Knight is happy to be a part of.

Public Works Committee Report Mayor Rogers recognized Chair Hudspeth to give a report on the meeting prior to Council. Chair Hudspeth stated there were two items on the agenda for Public Works.

a) The Street Sweeper Bid

Mr. Hudspeth stated there were three bids but only one to meet specs. Municipal Equipment Bid was for \$301,000.00 or with trading in the old sweeper; it was \$286,000.00. Mr. Allbritten stated this sweeper does have a vacuum attached. This sweeper is on a truck chassis, which will make maneuvering easier. This equipment has multiple functions.

Mr. Hudspeth made a motion to approve; seconded by Mr. Bell. All members present voted Aye.

b) 121 Pipe Mediation Project Bid

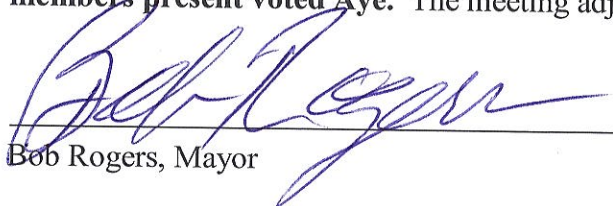
Mr. Hudspeth stated there were 3 bids that all met specs. The lowest bid was Gerald Chamber and Sons, \$47,500.00, Parker Excavating, \$52,214.50 and Siteworks LLC, \$60,368.00. Mr. Oakley recommended we accept the bid from Gerald Chamber and Sons. Mr. Oakley stated the City has worked with Gerald Chamber and Sons on other projects.

Mr. Hudspeth made a motion to approve; seconded by Mr. Bell. All members present voted Aye.

Personnel and Finance Committee Report Mayor Rogers recognized Chair Hudspeth to give a report on the meeting prior to Council. Mr. Hudspeth stated there was one item on the agenda, sending an ordinance to Council on amending the budget for a salary increase for the future Mayor. The increase would go from \$34,000.00 per year to \$60,000.00 per year. Mr. Hudspeth stated our current Mayor had no opinion or input on this decision.

Ordinance 2022-1823 (First Reading) An Ordinance Amending the City of Murray Code of Ordinances Chapter 31, Specifically 31.20 Salary, In Order to Increase the Future Salary for the Position of Mayor. (No Vote)

With no other business before the Council, **Mr. Bell moved to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Bohannon. All members present voted Aye.** The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.


Bob Rogers, Mayor

ATTEST


Kim Miles, City Clerk