

## MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL

July 14, 2022

6:30 P.M.

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

**Council Members Present:** Johnny Bohannon, Wesley Bolin, Monty McCuiston, Linda Cherry, Rose Elder, Alice Rouse, John Mark Roberts, Dr. Miller, Mr. Bell and Burton Young.

**Council Members Absent:** Danny Hudspeth and Pat Seiber

**Staff Present:** Warren Hopkins, Jim Osborne, Rakov Aetherus, Chief Liles, Ron Allbritten, Marti Erwin, George Bell and Kim Miles.

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

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

The minutes of the Council meeting of June 23, 2022 were presented for approval.

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

**Mayor's Report:** The Mayor recognized Mr. Bohannon to give an update on the park. Mr. Bohannon stated members of the community donated over one million dollars to renovate and open the pool. Due to the shortage of lifeguards, we will be limited on capacity but we will be opening on Monday July 18, 2022. Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the pool will begin at 10:00 A.M... There will be three sessions for the pool on Monday and all three sessions will be free. There is a recommendation for anyone wanting to come on Monday, please call and reserve a spot. Mr. Bohannon stated Steele and Allbritten has done a great job on getting this project completed. The lights at the soccer field are all up and look great. Mr. Bohannon thanked Murray Bank for the lighting at the fields.

Mayor Rogers wanted the Council to be aware of a card that was sent by the Watch Center. The Watch Center wanted to thank the City for the allocation that was made to them this year. The card was passed around for the viewing of the Council.

Mayor Rogers introduced Mr. George Bell as the new Code Enforcement Officer. Mr. Bell is a retired State Police Officer and is from our community. Mr. Bell will be handling various violations that goes against our Code of Ordinances. Mr. Bell will be proactive and has already begun. Mr. Bell stated these first few weeks he has been getting familiar with what these ordinances are. He has been out talking to some offenders and hopes they will comply without having to take it any further. He has issued one citation thus far. Mr. Osborne stated we are looking into the ordinance hoping to make the process of addressing violations a faster process. Many who call to complain do not understand this process is a slow drawn out process.

**Public Works Report:** The Mayor recognized Vice Chair Mr. McCuiston give an update on the meeting held prior to Council. Mr. McCuiston stated that there was two items on the agenda the Paving Bid and the Limestone Bid. Mr. McCuiston stated there was only one bid for paving and the prices had gone up since

last year. Current pricing on asphalt is \$70.00 per ton and has increase to \$100.00 per ton. That was just one example of the increased pricing. Mr. McCuiston stated Mr. Allbritten recommended we accept the bid from Murray Paving.

**Mr. McCuiston made a motion to accept said bid; seconded by Mr. Bell. All members present voted Aye.**

Mr. McCuiston went over the bid recommendations that Mr. Allbritten had given in the Public Works meeting. Mr. McCuiston stated the Limestone Bid covered 5 items, #3, #8, #57, DGA and Channel Lining II. There were two bids. The materials are going to be bought from two different companies. Mr. Allbritten is recommending the Rogers Group for #3, #57 and Channel Ling II. #8 limestone we are recommending Vulcan. The Rogers Group did not bid on the #8.

**Mr. McCuiston made a motion to accept the said bid; seconded by Mr. Bell. All members present voted Aye.**

Mayor Rogers pulled item b from the Consent Agenda. Mayor Rogers is recommending Mr. Rydecki as a member for the CVB Board. He introduced Mr. Rydecki to the Council. Mr. Rydecki serves as the Assistant Athletic Director for Operations at Murray State Athletics. Mr. Rydecki is married to Kim, a CCHS Guidance and they have two children.

**Mr. Bohannon made a motion to appoint Mr. Rydecki, seconded by Dr. Miller. All members present voted Aye.**

#### **Consent Agenda**

- a) **Municipal Order 2022-013** Appoint Whitney Cooper to the Senior Citizens Board
- b) **Municipal Order 2022-014** Appoint Brock Rydecki to the CVB
- c) **Municipal Order 2022-015** Reappoint Greg Heath to the Airport Board
- d) **Municipal Order 2022-016** Reappoint Melvin Henley to the Electric Plant Board
- e) **Municipal Order 2022-017** Reappoint Bob Billington to the Housing Authority
- f) **Municipal Order 2022-018** Reappoint Ruth Daughaday to the Senior Citizens Board
- g) **Municipal Order 2022-019** Reappoint Linda Metz to the Senior Citizens Board

**Mr. Roberts made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Bohannon. All members present voted Aye.**

**Appoint Group to Study Downtown Development** Mayor Rogers stated it was recommended to him to look at our downtown development. Mayor Rogers appointed three members from Council and two citizens.

Pat Seiber, Monty McCuiston, Wesley Bolin, Joe Darnall and Danny Pruitt

**Executive Session** pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1)(b) for the purpose of deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property. (Voice Vote to enter executive session and a voice vote to end executive session).


**Mr. Bell made a motion to enter Executive Session; seconded by Ms. Elder. All members present voted Aye. Executive Session began at 6:49 p.m.**

**Mr. Bohannon made a motion to exit Executive Session; seconded by Ms. Elder. All members present voted Aye. Executive Session Adjourned at 6:55 p.m.**

With no other business before the Council, **Mr. Bell moved to adjourn; seconded by Ms. Elder. All members present voted Aye.** The meeting adjourned at 6:56 P.M.

  
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Bob Rogers, Mayor

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Kim Miles, City Clerk