

## MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL

July 9, 2020

6:30 P.M.

The Murray City Council met in regular session on Thursday, July 9, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall with Mayor Bob Rogers presiding.

**Council Members Present:** Jeremy Bell, Wesley Bolin, Linda Cherry, Rose Elder, Danny Hudspeth, Monty McCuiston, Dan Miller, John Mark Roberts, Alice Rouse, Pat Seiber, Terry Strieter, Burton Young

**Council Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** City Attorney Warren Hopkins, Tom Kutcher, Jeff Liles, Jim Osborne, Eric Pologruto, Maurice Thomas, Zach Warren

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

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

The minutes of the Council meeting of June 25, 2020 were presented for approval. **Mr. Roberts moved for approval; seconded by Dr. Strieter. All members present voted Aye.**

### Mayor's Report

Mayor Rogers recognized Chief Eric Pologruto to give an update on the Fire Station project. Chief Pologruto stated in January, 2020, the City was awarded a \$500,000.00 grant for the Fire station project, and from January, 2020 to July, 2020, they worked with an architect to design the new facility that mirrors the previously constructed fire station. He stated Marisa Stewart verified all requirements for the grant were fulfilled, and the project was sent out for bids on July 8, 2020. Chief Pologruto stated the bids are scheduled to open on August 6, 2020. He stated the Council will award the contract soon after the opening, and the construction should take less than a year to complete. Chief Pologruto stated the Fire Department appreciates the support of the Mayor and the Council, and is looking forward to the new station and continuing to serve the citizens of Murray.

Mayor Rogers recognized Tom Kutcher to give updates on capital projects. Mr. Kutcher gave an update on the progress of three capital projects: the Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade, which is 98% complete; the Water Plant Clearwell project, which is 99.8% complete; and the East Clarks River Pump Station project, which is 85% complete.

Mayor Rogers recognized City Attorney Warren Hopkins to give an update on 911. Mr. Hopkins stated a letter was sent from the PVA office indicating there will be a \$30.00 per unit charge on the next county tax bill that represents the County's ordinance fee for their 911 services. He stated the City has a separate 911 service and fee. Mr. Hopkins stated that it is not double taxation since it is different entities. He stated some people want the city residents exempt from the county's tax. Mr. Hopkins stated a mutual agreement between the City and County has been signed establishing the 911 boundaries. Mr. Osborne stated the City's fee is \$1.00 per month for a landline, and Mayor Rogers stated the City's fee is \$.70 per month for cellphones. After a brief discussion, **Dr. Miller made a motion for the City Attorney to draft a resolution requesting the County to amend their ordinance to exempt the County 911 fee from City residents who are served by the City's 911; seconded by Dr. Young. All members present voted Aye.**

**Ordinance Number 2020-1797** (second reading) an ordinance enacting and adopting a supplement to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Murray, Kentucky.

**Mr. Roberts moved for approval; seconded by Dr. Strieter.**

Mayor Rogers called for a roll call vote.

**Ayes:** Mr. Bell, Mr. Bolin, Ms. Cherry, Ms. Elder, Mr. Hudspeth, Mr. McCuiston, Dr. Miller, Mr. Roberts, Ms. Rouse, Ms. Seiber, Dr. Strieter, Dr. Young

**Nays:** None

**Ordinance Number 2020-1798** (second reading) an ordinance amending City of Murray Code of Ordinances Chapter 91: Cemeteries, specifically §91.01, §91.03, §91.04, §91.07, §91.09, §91.11, §91.12 in order to update and clarify language contained in this chapter.

**Mr. Roberts moved for approval; seconded by Ms. Rouse.**

Mayor Rogers called for a roll call vote.

**Ayes:** Mr. Bell, Mr. Bolin, Ms. Cherry, Ms. Elder, Mr. Hudspeth, Mr. McCuiston, Dr. Miller, Mr. Roberts, Ms. Rouse, Ms. Seiber, Dr. Strieter, Dr. Young

**Nays:** None

#### **Consent Agenda**

**Municipal Order 2020-009** reappointing Carmen Garland to the Board of Zoning Adjustments for a term of four (4) years. Said term expires April 13, 2024.

**Municipal Order 2020-010** reappointing John Weatherly to the Electric Plant Board for a term of four (4) years. Said term will expire July 14, 2024.

**Municipal Order 2020-011** reappointing John Resig to the Housing Authority Board for a term of four (4) years. Said term will expire July 14, 2024.

**Municipal Order 2020-012** reappointing Holly Bloodworth to the Parks Board for a term of four (4) years. Said term will expire July 14, 2024

**Municipal Order 2020-013** reappointing Charletter Ellis to the Transit Authority for a term of four (4) years. Said term will expire June 9, 2024.

**Municipal Order 2020-014** reappointing Danny Brittain to the Code Enforcement Board for a term of three (3) years. Said term will expire June 12, 2023.

**Municipal Order 2020-015** reappointing Pete Lancaster to the Parking Enforcement Hearing Board for a term of three (3) years. Said term will expire July 10, 2023.

**Municipal Order 2020-016** appointing Chris Scott to the Parking Enforcement Hearing Board for a term of three (3) years. Said term will expire July 10, 2023.

**Municipal Order 2020-017** reappointing Ruth Daughaday to the Senior Citizens Board for a term of one (1) year. Said term will expire July 13, 2021.

**Municipal Order 2020-018** reappointing Amos McCarty to the Senior Citizens Board for a term of one (1) year. Said term will expire July 13, 2021.

**Municipal Order 2020-019** reappointing Glen Van Sickle to the Senior Citizens Board for a term of one (1) year. Said term will expire July 13, 2021.

**Municipal Order 2020-020** reappointing Nancy Mieure to the Murray Convention and Visitors Bureau Board for a term of three (3) years. Said term will expire July 10, 2023.

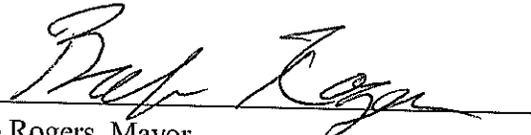
**Mr. Bell moved to approve the consent agenda; seconded by Ms. Cherry. All members**

present voted Aye.

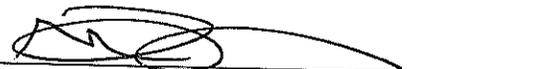
**Executive Session** pursuant to KRS 61.810(1) (c) for the purpose of discussions of pending litigation against or on behalf of the City of Murray. **Dr. Miller moved to enter executive session; seconded by Ms. Seiber. All members present voted Aye (7:02 p.m.). Bell moved to leave executive session; seconded by Ms. Elder. All members present voted Aye. (8:00 p.m.)**

With no other business before the Council, **Mr. Bell moved to adjourn; seconded by Ms. Rouse. All members present voted Aye.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

  
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Bob Rogers, Mayor

ATTEST

  
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Maurice Thomas, Deputy City Clerk