

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Commissioner Reed
INVOCATION - Mayor Burtner

PRESIDING:

Mayor Edallen York Burtner

PRESENT:

Commissioner Ramsey Flynn
Commissioner JoEllen Reed
Commissioner Shannon Cox
Commissioner Kitty Strode

City Manager Matt Belcher and City Clerk Joy Curtis were present.

City Attorney William Dykeman was absent and excused.

Upon determining that a quorum was present for the transaction of business, Mayor Burtner called the July 2, 2019 regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Commission Chambers of City Hall.

COMMENTS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC CONCERNING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mr. Joe Barnes, 895 Sidwell Lane, voiced his concerns about the dilapidated awnings in the downtown area and also the window air conditioners hanging over the sidewalks. His concern was the disrepair of the awnings and window unit air conditioners that might fall and injure a pedestrian.

Mr. Barnes noted there was a tree growing out of a building downtown. He voiced his concern about the tree damaging the brickwork on the building.

Mr. Barnes inquired about the Seventh Street Project and asked how there was no funds for this project but there were funds for the Sphar Building.

INTRODUCTION OF PERSONNEL

Fire Chief Cathy Rigney presented the newest Fire Class 1901 to the Board - present were Chris Hall, Kallen Walker, Zack Segog, and Matt Moses.

Chief Rigney noted the new recruits had started their training on July 1st and would continue for 16 weeks, finishing the course on September 27th. She explained the recruits study all bases of Fire/EMS from accident extractions to hazardous materials.

The Commission welcomed the four recruits.

NEW BUSINESS

Out of State Travel (Police Department)

On motion by Commissioner Cox, seconded by Commissioner Reed, and with unanimous vote, the Board approved the request for out of state travel for Det. Steve Charles.

**Paving and Milling Four Out Year Program
Fiscal Year 2020 Proposed Paving and Milling Program
Fiscal Year 2020 Proposed Crack Fill/Crack Seal Program**

City Manager Belcher noted Public Works Director Pat Clark and he had driven the streets on the Paving and Crack fill/Crack Seal lists. He recommended the Mayor and Commissioners drive the streets before the decision was made on which streets to pave and crack fill/seal.

Walk-Bike Clark County Request

The Commission reviewed the request from the Walk-Bike Clark County to create a pedestrian entrance to Wiseman Park on the abandoned railroad right-of-way at the Fitch Fulton Connector.

It was the consensus of the Commission to defer this matter until more information was received from the Walk-Bike Clark County Committee.

OLD BUSINESS

On motion by Commissioner Reed, seconded by Commissioner Flynn, with a 3-2 vote, Mayor Burtner and Commission Cox voting no, the motion carried to amend the FY 2020 Budget to hire six additional Fire/Paramedic/EMT personnel.

Commissioner Reed noted that by adding these positions, the City would begin to move to staff a much needed fourth line EC unit. She noted Chief Rigney's memorandum via email stated this would help secure normal patient transfer operations. The additional revenue the City would bring in would offset the expenses as Fire/EMS continues to provide the citizens of Winchester and Clark County the level of care that their taxes provide.

Mayor Burtner noted there should be a discussion between the City, County, and Clark Regional Medical Center regarding these matters.

Mayor Burtner instructed City Manager Belcher and Fire Chief Cathy Rigney to present the Fiscal Court with this proposition for review.

Aphreikah DuHaney-West, CEO, Clark Regional Medical Center and DeEtta Blackwell, representative of the Hospital Board were present and spoke.

ORDINANCES (Second Reading)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 11-2018 WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS IN THE CITY OF WINCHESTER, KENTUCKY FY 2019 BUDGET

On motion by Commissioner Flynn, seconded by Commissioner Cox, and with unanimous vote, this ordinance passed second reading and was adopted. Ordinance No. 9-2019.

A JOINT ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINCHESTER, KENTUCKY AND THE COUNTY OF CLARK, KENTUCKY, CREATING A JOINT ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE WHICH SHALL BE KNOWN AS THE "WINCHESTER-CLARK COUNTY ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE "

On motion by Commissioner Flynn, seconded by Commissioner Strode, and with unanimous vote, this ordinance passed second reading and was adopted. Ordinance No. 10-2019.

City Manager Belcher confirmed the Fiscal Court had first reading of this joint ordinance.

At this time, Commissioner Strode was excused from the meeting for a prior commitment.

ORDERS (General)

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF GENERAL LIABILITY, PUBLIC OFFICIALS, LAW ENFORCEMENT, AUTOMOBILE, PROPERTY, AND WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE COVERAGE

On motion by Commissioner Reed, seconded by Commissioner Flynn, and with unanimous vote, this order was adopted. Order No. 2019-118.

PERSONNEL ORDERS (General)

AN ORDER ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF MAURICE FERGUSON, PATIENT TRANSFER SPECIALIST

On motion by Commissioner Reed, seconded by Commissioner Flynn, and with unanimous vote, this order was adopted. Order No. 2019-119.

AN ORDER ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF SEAN MCCARTHY, PATIENT TRANSFER SPECIALIST/EMT

On motion by Commissioner Reed, seconded by Commissioner Flynn, and with unanimous vote, this order was adopted. Order No. 2019-120.

GENERAL COMMENTS FROM MAYOR, CITY COMMISSIONERS, CITY ATTORNEY, AND CITY MANAGER

Commissioner Flynn:

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- Noted the brush needs to be trimmed at the Maple Street Welcome to Winchester retaining wall sign.

Commissioner Reed:

- Stated they had a good Public Works Commission meeting and have been looking at storm water issues.
- Stated Gina Greathouse with Commerce Lexington would be willing to come and do an Economic Development Simulation for Winchester with help from Todd Denham.

Commissioner Cox:

- Noted the Work Camps had 464 kids and 120 adults in town for a week to work on 72 different projects in town. When one group was done in the Apple Ridge community, they built a wheelchair ramp for another resident in the area.
- The Work Camps had nothing but good comments about Winchester.
- Noted there were four churches, two industries, and two businesses that are going to finish what projects the kids didn't finish.

Mayor Burtner:

- Noted the Fourth of July event would take place at Lykins Park on Thursday at dark. Gates would open at 6:00 p.m. Rain date will be Friday night.
- Commended Kim Miller for her leadership on the Fourth of July event.
- Noted a Scout troop would be putting up the American Flags in the downtown area.

City Manager Belcher:

- Work sessions will begin again July 16th.
- Commended Kim Miller for her dedication to the Fourth of July Event and noted that Amazon is a sponsor.
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- Noted he spoke with the Representative from the Census to make a presentation to the Board but had not received a call back.

ADJOURN

With no further business, on motion by Commissioner Reed, seconded by Commissioner Cox, and with unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned.

Edallen York Burtner, Mayor

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Joy Curtis, City Clerk