

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Commissioner Flynn
INVOCATION - Patrick Clark

PRESIDING:

Mayor Edallen York Burtner

PRESENT:

Commissioner Ramsey Flynn
Commissioner JoEllen Reed

City Manager Matt Belcher, City Attorney William A. Dykeman, and City Clerk Joy Curtis were present.

Commissioners Kitty Strode and Shannon Cox were absent and excused.

Upon determining that a quorum was present for the transaction of business, Mayor Burtner called the February 4, 2020 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, reported the roof of the College Park Gymnasium is leaking and needs to be fixed.

Mr. Charles Eury, Chairperson of the W/CC Parks & Recreation Board noted the south wall of the building leaks during heavy rain events. This is an ongoing project and the water needs to be directed away from the building.

Ms. Julie Staton and Mr. Stephan Fink, W/CC Farmers Market Board, was present to discuss their recent Ag Development Grant Application to Frankfort for the redevelopment of Depot Street. Mr. Fink noted they are requesting a letter of support from the City of Winchester and the \$200,000 the City had put towards the Sphar Building. He noted they were also going to seek County Ag Development Funds.

Mr. Fink noted in the new development plans; there would be the canopy over the sidewalk on Depot Street from the old passenger depot to Main Street, public restroom facilities, and the repair of the silos with the Farmers Market logo on the building of the silos.

City Manager Belcher noted the City had budgeted \$50,000 for the Sphar Building Project, and the Greater Clark Foundation had made an appropriation to the City of \$150,000. Ms. Staton noted the Farmers Market had \$58,000. She also noted they were looking at \$250,000 grant which would need \$250,000 matching funds. Once

the Farmers Market receives the Ag Development Grant Funds, the Farmers Market has to finish the project in one year.

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Mayor Burtner noted the Farmers Market Board and City Manager Belcher will need to contact the Greater Clark Foundation would have to be contacted regarding their appropriation and request use of that appropriation for the Depot Street/Farmers Market project. Mayor Burtner asked the Mr. Fink and Ms. Staton to return to the Board with a proposed budget at a later meeting.

On motion by Commissioner Flynn, seconded by Commissioner Reed, and with unanimous vote, the Board approved the appropriation of the \$200,000 for the matching funds for the Depot Street project.

TOPIC FOR DISCUSSION

“A JOINT ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 6-2018 OF THE CITY OF WINCHESTER, KENTUCKY AND ORDINANCE NO. 2018-07 OF THE COUNTY OF CLARK, KENTUCKY (A JOINT ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINCHESTER AND THE COUNTY OF CLARK, KENTUCKY, ADOPTING CODES AND REGULATIONS OF CONDUCT FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY PARKS)”

The Commission reviewed the draft Ordinance Amendment of Ordinance 6-2018 “Adopting Codes and Regulations of Conduct for the City and County Parks”.

Commissioner Reed stated there was no mention of smoking or vaping in the ordinance.

Commissioner Reed noted No. 9 needed to state “Unless otherwise approved”. She noted if this language was not in there, then no sponsors’ banners would be allowed at the soccer/baseball fields on fences. She noted this would hamper the Little League from collecting funds.

Commissioner Reed noted No. 14 should have the same language as No. 12 “developed soccer” and “soccer facilities” placed in No. 14 as No. 12 states “developed baseball” fields and “baseball facilities”.

Commissioner Flynn questioned No. 8 “sanctioned events” and would the Parks & Recreation Board authorize and approve these events.

City Manager Belcher noted people would come before the Commission or Fiscal Court for approval to use the parks.

Mr. Eury stated if a neighborhood league or another group like Bible School groups who wanted to use the baseball/soccer fields, they would have to be approved.

Mr. Dykeman noted No. 8 would prevent bands performing at Lykins Park from selling their merchandise.

Mayor Burtner noted he would like to have this draft ordinance brought before the Fiscal Court for their review and concurrence on the proposed changes.

Commissioner Flynn requested a joint City/County meeting to review and revise this ordinance before being put on an agenda for adoption.

NEW BUSINESS

Request for Out of State Travel

On motion by Commissioner Reed, seconded by Commissioner Flynn, and with unanimous vote, the request was approved for Firefighter Christopher Wilson to attend training in North Carolina for his AMLS and PHTLS.

Request for Street Closure

On motion by Commissioner Reed, seconded by Commissioner Flynn, and with unanimous vote, this request was approved the street closure for the Rally for Recovery Walk on Friday, September 25, 2020.

Ms. Juanita Everman was present.

Mayor Burtner asked Ms. Everman to submit the street closure request for the September 26th event on Rolling Hills Lane starting at the Bluegrass Community & Technical College

Request for Out of State Travel - IIMC Conference

On motion by Commissioner Reed, seconded by Commissioner Flynn, and with unanimous vote, the request was approved for Joy Curtis and Dianna Layne to attend the conference in St. Louis, Missouri.

ORDERS (General)

AN ORDER OF THE CITY OF WINCHESTER AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR SUSTAINABLE TREE PLANTING IN DOWNTOWN WINCHESTER, KENTUCKY

On motion by Commissioner Flynn, seconded by Commissioner Reed, and with unanimous vote, this order was adopted. Order No. 2020-24.

AN ORDER DECLARING CERTAIN CITY OF WINCHESTER PROPERTY TO BE OBSOLETE AND SURPLUS

On motion by Commissioner Flynn, seconded by Commissioner Reed, and with unanimous vote, this order was adopted. Order No. 2020-25.

PERSONNEL ORDERS (General)

AN ORDER ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF RONALD BURCHFIELD, FIREFIGHTER I/EMT

On motion by Commissioner Reed, seconded by Commissioner Flynn, and with unanimous vote, this order was adopted. Order No. 2020-26.

AN ORDER EMPLOYING COURTNEY HARRISON TO FILL THE POSITION OF PATIENT TRANSFER SPECIALIST - PARAMEDIC

On motion by Commissioner Flynn, seconded by Commissioner Reed, and with unanimous vote, this order was adopted. Order No. 2020-27.

AN ORDER EMPLOYING JOHN OLIVER TO FILL THE POSITION OF PATIENT TRANSFER SPECIALIST - PARAMEDIC

On motion by Commissioner Reed, seconded by Commissioner Flynn, and with unanimous vote, this order was adopted. Order No. 2020-28.

AN ORDER EMPLOYING JEREMY ONEY TO FILL THE POSITION OF PATIENT TRANSFER SPECIALIST - PARAMEDIC

On motion by Commissioner Flynn, seconded by Commissioner Reed, and with unanimous vote, this order was adopted. Order No. 2020-29.

AN ORDER ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF AMANDA BRYSON, PTS/EMT

On motion by Commissioner Reed, seconded by Commissioner Flynn, and with unanimous vote, this order was adopted. Order No. 2020-30.

AN ORDER GRANTING LONGEVITY SALARY INCREASES TO CERTAIN PERSONNEL

On motion by Commissioner Reed, seconded by Commissioner Flynn, and with unanimous vote, this order was adopted. Order No. 2020-31.

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

- Commissioner Flynn:
- Stated the next Dangers in Plain Sight will be held at BCTC on Thursday, February 6th regarding bullying.
 - Noted there were still signs in the rights-of-way
- Commissioner Reed:
- Stated she had received a call from a citizen complaining about the broken door in the Kerr Building on the Main Street side that had been broken for about six months.

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- Stated the guardrail beside Lowe’s is mission on the Bypass that turns onto a city street across from Popeye’s.
- Noted Ms. Abbott from the Lady’s Veterans Connect Center will have their ribbon cutting on April 16 at 1:00 p.m. Invitations will be sent to the Commission.

City Manager:

- Reported the next joint City/County EMS Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Courthouse.
- Recommended setting up a Codes Enforcement/Administrative Hearing Board meeting to discuss the draft ordinance amendment.
- Recommended setting up a Downtown Business Owners’ meeting. These meetings could be moved back to 4:00 p.m.
- Noted the first KLC Strategic Planning meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 10, 2020 at 3:30 p.m.

Mayor Burtner:

- Noted he’d had a conversation with a Main Street person regarding the door on the Kerr Building. He stated the manager of the apartments said the door would be repaired/replaced by the end of next week.
- Noted the arena for George Rogers Clark High School would have their grand opening on February 11th. He stated people will be surprised and pleased by the facility.
- Noted there were good things for students in the Clark County school system - Archery at Campbell Junior High with about 25 competitors; the marching band’s Rifle group with 25 competitors, and the ROTC Winter Ball guest speaker was in the first ROTC class at GRC and is now in the Air Force Reserves.

ADJOURN

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

Edallen York Burtner, Mayor

Joy Curtis, City Clerk