

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LEXINGTON CITY COUNCIL

Monday, May 24, 2010

The regular meeting of the Lexington City Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Mohr in the City Council Chambers at Lexington City Hall.

Roll call was taken finding the following physically present: Mayor Mohr, Alderman Brill, Alderman Cole, Alderman Fiero, Alderman Miller, Alderman Revelle, and Alderman Winterland. Members of the staff and public present were: Mike Beard, Zach Knight of FWG, Bob Benedetti, and Patrick Murphy of Miller, Hall & Triggs. John Sampsen entered the meeting later.

It was moved by Alderman Brill and seconded by Alderman Miller to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2010 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Alderman Winterland and seconded by Alderman Revelle to accept the Treasurer's Report and authorize payment of bills in the amount of \$22,644.30. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Input:

Zach Knight of Farnsworth Group was present to give an update on the sewer installation progress. **Div.A** – weather has slowed work on the lagoon construction. Contractors will begin laying out the flooring of the Treatment Plant building this week. **Div.B** – Stark will begin moving equipment to lift station sites as road conditions permit. **Div.C**- 400' of force main to the lagoons is all that remains to be installed. None of the force main has been tested yet. About 50% of field tile disturbed has been repaired, and iron is up at the pivots. **Div.D**- 3-4 bores have been installed. **Div. E**- Having some maintenance issues, Dawn Co. have started laying pipe at Martin's John Deere dealership and will begin working south down Orange St. **Div. F**- Shop drawings have been approved and concrete pads are in at the center pivot sites. As this is their busy time of year, they may pull back for awhile, and return when all other systems are in place to complete their work. The first change order has been initiated. The thickness of the casing for material going under the railroad is being increased to meet railroad specifications.

Old Business:

Golf Cart Ordinance – Alderman Revelle presented a draft version of an ordinance, most of which was drawn up several years ago. Some points to consider were brought up: Should a registration sticker be sold to identify compliant vehicles, and at what cost - \$10.00 was suggested, and should these be renewed annually; should seatbelts be required; should use be limited to daylight hours; will alcohol violations be strictly enforced; and can a handout be prepared to give to registrants outlining rules and locations of permissible use. The finalized version will be placed on the first June agenda for approval.

Storm water Management Plan - Alderman Revelle has not yet met with the Street/Alley Committee and public works employees to go over proposals by interested firms. A meeting will be scheduled soon, and a recommendation will be made to the council.

Codification Project – General Code now has all materials in the final form. Alderman Brill reported that once the City receives the completed Code, the Council will pass an ordinance adopting the new code and it will be available online.

New Business:

In order to expedite proceedings, the closed session will be moved to the end of the agenda following committee reports.

Website Business Listings- Alderman Fiero presented a draft of a letter to businesses informing them of their opportunity to place their business information on the City website. She is discussing with Paul Peacock how links to business websites, if they have them, can be included. Alderman Winterland asked about the vetting ability of the City to prevent fraudulent entries, and was assured that all entries are cleared by Fiero or Peacock before the information is actually published on the site. Mayor Mohr noted that the McLean County GIS staff has corrected the orientation of the sewer maps on the website, and that the Comprehensive Plan will also soon be available.

Committee Reports:

Mayor – Mayor Mohr led 2 tours of City Hall recently. Both the Boy Scouts and the Grade School Student Council experienced using the Council Chambers, with “mock” mayor and council members practicing Roberts Rules of Order.

Police – The Explorer has had a battery replaced, due to the drain by all the electronic equipment on board. More will be reported in the following closed session.

Buildings/Insurance – 1. Alderman Miller continues to follow up with the progress of the deed for the City Hall property. It should soon be back in the hands of Atty. Tibbs. 2. All the employee and city forms have been sent to Health-Star so they can complete an accurate rate proposal, which should be completed before the end of the month. 3. A “Give-and-Take” event was held at the building at 117 N Vine, coordinated by the Main Street Moms and the Kiwanis. Approximately 30 families were served.

Finance/TIF – None

Water – Mike Beard reported that he spent approximately \$2700 of water fund money to have a water main moved, which was in the path of one of the sewer bores. Mayor Mohr reported that he had delivered maps of the proposed west water tower to the property owner, who is still willing to participate.

Sanitation – Alderman Fiero will meet with Dan Winters of Republic Services to discuss plans to switch to automated carts for residential garbage service.

Street/Alley – None, although John Sampsen asked for investigation of ground water that is a constant problem at his property at 15 Concord. Alderman Revelle and Bill Elias will follow up and investigate the situation.

Closed Session: It was moved by Alderman Brill and seconded by Alderman Cole to go into closed session at 8:25 p.m. to discuss Collective Bargaining Negotiations – Section 2(c)(2).

At the return to open session at 8:50 p.m., there being no further business, it was moved by Alderman Winterland and seconded by Alderman Miller to adjourn at 8:52 p.m. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Quinley, City Clerk

Approved: _____