

**City of Morehead  
Minutes of  
Special Meeting of Board of City Council  
May 11, 2020 6:00 PM  
Zoom and Facebook Live**

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The Board of City Council of the City of Morehead, Kentucky met in special session on May 11, 2020 at 6:00 PM via Zoom and Facebook Live.

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor White-Brown called to order the May 11, 2020 Special Meeting of the Board of City Council to order at 6 pm.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Meeting participants recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Attendance**

Present Council Members:

Mr. Tom Carew  
Mr. Mike Kash  
Ms. Beth Ousley  
Ms. Melisa Patrick  
Mr. David Perkins  
Mr. Glen Teager

**4. Minutes of Previous Meeting: April 13, 2020**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve the special meeting minutes from April 13, 2020 passed with a motion by Mr. Mike Kash and a second by Mr. David Perkins.

Mr. Tom Carew	Yes
Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Ms. Melisa Patrick	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Mr. Glen Teager	Yes

**5. Mayor's Report**

Mayor White-Brown advised Council the Gus Macker basketball tournament has been extended a year, so we will still host for a total of three years. The Mayor went over each department's report

within the City. There was discussion on the Police/911 facility; Mr. Rodney Fouch advised it is still in the design phase and waiting to bid. There was discussion of the Covid-19 relief fund aka the “green hair fund”. The Mayor also advised the park was open while the shelters remain closed for the time-being. Furloughed employees will return to work on May 18 to work on reopening plans. There was discussion the Splash Pay may open at a later date depending on the Governor’s orders. The Mayor reported the furloughs had saved the City approximately \$17,000 and about \$25,000 by not hiring seasonal staff. Discussions continued about purchasing a stage for Downtown Morehead, Inc. Councilmembers feel it is necessary for future events.

## **6. Downtown Morehead Redevelopment TIF District Special Fund Board and Developers**

Mr. Neil Morgan of Lockett & Farley participated via Zoom to discuss PACE funding for the hotel project. There was discussion by Morgan that it is a no cost, no risk option for the City. Mayor White-Brown advised she participated in a conference call with the City of Covington since they have done PACE Districts; Information received indicates PACE is much more work for the City that presented; Covington had to hire additional staff just for these projects. There was further discussion; the design for the hotel is not complete and there have been no geotechnical studies on the property. The Mayor advised the PACE funding model is still being researched by interested parties.

## **7. Morehead-Rowan County Chamber of Commerce**

Mr. Jason Slone discussed the survey and results provided in the council packets. There had been two rounds of PPP loans. The new website plans to be live July 1. A new database is in development for the Chamber.

## **8. Morehead-Rowan County Tourism, Morehead Conference Center and Rowan County Arts Center**

Ms. Joy Brown had provided a packet with the Commission’s COVID updates. Brown advised employees were furloughed until July 6 and all grants were frozen through September.

## **9. Future Growth/Development/Projects for The City**

Mr. Rodney Fouch provided a list of projects. A new food truck applied today for a permit.

## **10. Ratification of Payment of Monthly Bills/Statements**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to ratify the monthly bills and statements passed with a motion by Mr. Glen Teager and a second by Mr. Mike Kash.

Mr. Tom Carew	Yes
Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Ms. Melisa Patrick	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes

Mr. Glen Teager      Yes

## **11. General Business Agenda**

### **11.a. New Business**

#### **11.a.1. Revised Municipal Road Aid Cooperative Program Agreement and Resolution**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve a revised Municipal Road Aid Cooperative Program Agreement and Resolution passed with a motion by Mr. Tom Carew and a second by Mr. Mike Kash.

Mr. Tom Carew      Yes  
Mr. Mike Kash      Yes  
Ms. Beth Ousley      Yes  
Ms. Melisa Patrick      Yes  
Mr. David Perkins      Yes  
Mr. Glen Teager      Yes

#### **11.a.2. 1st Reading of an Ordinance of the City of Morehead, Ky Authorizing the Issuance of City of Morehead, Ky General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020A in the Approximate Aggregate Principal Amount of \$7,750,000 for the Purpose of Financing all or a Portion of the Costs of the Acquisition, Construction, Equipping, & Installation of a Police Station and Related Facilities Located within the Jurisdictional Boundaries of the City; Approving the Forms of the Bonds; Authorizing Designated Officers to Execute & Deliver the Bonds; Authorizing & Directing the Filing of a Notice with the State Local Debt Officer; Providing for the Payment & Security of the Bonds; Creating a Bond Payment Fund; Maintaining the Heretofore Established Sinking Fund; Authorizing Acceptance of the Bids of the Bond Purchaser for the Purchase of the Bonds; & Repealing Inconsistent Resolutions & Ordinances**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance of the City of Morehead, Ky Authorizing the Issuance of City of Morehead, Ky General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020A in the Approximate Aggregate Principal Amount of \$7,750,000 for the Purpose of Financing all or a Portion of the Costs of the Acquisition, Construction, Equipping, & Installation of a Police Station and Related Facilities Located within the Jurisdictional Boundaries of the City; Approving the Forms of the Bonds; Authorizing Designated Officers to Execute & Deliver the Bonds; Authorizing & Directing the Filing of a Notice with the State Local Debt Officer; Providing for the Payment & Security of the Bonds; Creating a Bond Payment Fund; Maintaining the Heretofore Established Sinking Fund; Authorizing Acceptance of the Bids of the Bond Purchaser for the Purchase of the Bonds; & Repealing Inconsistent Resolutions & Ordinances passed with a motion by Mr. Mike Kash and a second by Mr. David Perkins.

There was lengthy discussion about the potential principal amount in the ordinance. RJ Palmer was a participant and explained it is only up to that amount if needed; it would save time in redoing the ordinance if it was less and then additional funds were needed.

Mr. Tom Carew        Yes  
Mr. Mike Kash        Yes  
Ms. Beth Ousley      Yes  
Ms. Melisa Patrick    Yes  
Mr. David Perkins     Yes  
Mr. Glen Teager      Yes

**11.a.3. 1st Reading of an Ordinance Amending the Morehead-Rowan County Tourism Commission Annual Budget for FY 7/1/19 through 6/30/2020 by Estimating Revenue and Resources and Appropriating Funds for the Operation of Tourism and Convention Services, Budget Amendment Number 1**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance Amending the Morehead-Rowan County Tourism Commission Annual Budget for FY 7/1/19 through 6/30/2020 by Estimating Revenue and Resources and Appropriating Funds for the Operation of Tourism and Convention Services, Budget Amendment Number 1 passed with a motion by Mr. David Perkins and a second by Mr. Glen Teager.

Mr. Tom Carew        Yes  
Mr. Mike Kash        Yes  
Ms. Beth Ousley      Yes  
Ms. Melisa Patrick    Yes  
Mr. David Perkins     Yes  
Mr. Glen Teager      Yes

**11.a.4. 1st Reading of an Ordinance Amending the City of Morehead, Kentucky Annual Budget for FY 7/1/2019 through 6/30/2020 by Estimating Revenues and Resources and Appropriating Funds for the Operation of City Government, Budget Amendment Number 2**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance Amending the City of Morehead, Kentucky Annual Budget for FY 7/1/2019 through 6/30/2020 by Estimating Revenues and Resources and Appropriating Funds for the Operation of City Government, Budget Amendment Number 2 passed with a motion by Mr. David Perkins and a second by Ms. Beth Ousley.

Mr. Tom Carew        Yes  
Mr. Mike Kash        Yes  
Ms. Beth Ousley      Yes  
Ms. Melisa Patrick    Yes  
Mr. David Perkins     Yes  
Mr. Glen Teager      Yes

**11.a.5. 1st Reading of an Ordinance Amending the City of Morehead, Kentucky Code of Ordinances, Title 5, Public Utilities, Chapter 51, Gas and Water, Section 51.02, Service Rates and Charges by Increasing the Rates and Charges for Water and Gas**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance Amending the City of Morehead, Kentucky Code of Ordinances, Title 5, Public Utilities, Chapter 51, Gas and Water, Section 51.02, Service Rates and Charges by Increasing the Rates and Charges for Water and Gas passed with a motion by Mr. Glen Teager and a second by Mr. Mike Kash.

There was discussion of the increases; water rate increases are required for the loans, but not a specific amount. There is no requirement for gas increases.

Mr. Tom Carew	Yes
Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Ms. Melisa Patrick	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Mr. Glen Teager	Yes

**11.a.6. 1st Reading of an Ordinance of the City of Morehead Adopting an Annual Budget for the Morehead-Rowan County Tourism Commission, Morehead Conference Center and Rowan County Arts Center for FY 7/1/2020 through 6/30/2021**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance of the City of Morehead Adopting an Annual Budget for the Morehead-Rowan County Tourism Commission, Morehead Conference Center and Rowan County Arts Center for FY 7/1/2020 through 6/30/2021 passed with a motion by Mr. Tom Carew and a second by Mr. Glen Teager.

Councilman Carew asked why the Arts Center did not make any cuts; Ms. Joy Brown explained it will be amended, but she was trying to be conservative with everything.

Mr. Tom Carew	Yes
Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Ms. Melisa Patrick	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Mr. Glen Teager	Yes

**11.a.7. 1st Reading of an Ordinance Adopting the City of Morehead, Kentucky Annual Budget for FY 7/1/2020 through 6/30/2021 by Estimating Revenues and Resources and Appropriating Funds for the Operation of City Government**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance Adopting the City of Morehead, Kentucky Annual Budget for FY 7/1/2020 through 6/30/2021 by Estimating Revenues and Resources and Appropriating Funds for the Operation of City Government passed with a motion by Mr. David Perkins and a second by Ms. Melisa Patrick.

Councilman Carew asked about funds for the Kentucky Folk Art Center; there was discussions that each year a plan has been requested for sustaining the Center with nothing ever presented. There were discussions that the Mayor would like to see Downtown Morehead, Inc. restructured and

discussions of recovery from the Covid-19; Mayor White-Brown also stated the stage was not essential at this time.

Mr. Tom Carew	Yes
Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Ms. Melisa Patrick	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Mr. Glen Teager	Yes

**11.a.8. 1st Reading of an Ordinance Adopting a Budget for the Morehead Utility Plant Board for FY 2020-2021 by the Board of City Council of the City of Morehead, Kentucky**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance Adopting a Budget for the Morehead Utility Plant Board for FY 2020-2021 by the Board of City Council of the City of Morehead, Kentucky passed with a motion by Mr. Glen Teager and a second by Mr. Tom Carew.

There was discussion the CERS rate increase will be removed prior to 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.

Mr. Tom Carew	Yes
Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Ms. Melisa Patrick	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Mr. Glen Teager	Yes

**12. Adjournment**

The meeting was properly adjourned at 8:01 pm.

Board of City Council  
Morehead, Kentucky

Approved by City Council  
on June 8, 2020

ATTEST:

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Laura White-Brown, Mayor

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Crissy Cunningham, City Clerk