

**City of Morehead  
Minutes of  
Regular Meeting of Board of City Council  
January 10, 2022 6:00 PM  
via Zoom and Facebook Live**

The Board of City Council of the City of Morehead, Kentucky met in regular session on January 10, 2022 at 6:00 PM Via Zoom and Facebook Live.

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Laura White-Brown called to order the January 10, 2022, regular meeting of the Board of City Council at 6:00pm

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Attendance**

Present Council Members:

Ms. Jan Bishop  
Mr. Mike Kash  
Mr. David Perkins  
Mr. Glen Teager  
Mr. Jim Tom Trent

Absent Council Members:

Ms. Beth Ousley

**4. Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

**4.a. December 13, 2021**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from December 13, 2021, passed with a motion by Mr. Mike Kash and a second by Ms. Jan Bishop.

Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Absent
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Mr. Glen Teager	Yes
Mr. Jim Tom Trent	Yes

**5. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

## **6. Mayor's Report**

Mayor Laura White-Brown reported to council that the department reports along with the Cares Act & Rescue Fund Report were in the packet. Mayor White-Brown also informed council that the city is working with Kentucky League of Cities on a policy to comply with the Vaccination, Testing and Mask Policy. The mayor reported regarding the pedway committee and that there is an upcoming TIF meeting at the end of January. Mayor Laura White-Brown informed council that she was going to be meeting with department heads and doing a SWOT analysis. Mayor White-Brown reported that she had made several trips to Western Kentucky to take donations and that the city was letting them borrow two cruisers.

## **7. Quarterly Reports**

### **7.a. Morehead~Rowan County Chamber of Commerce**

Mr. Jason Slone gave the report for the Morehead-Rowan County Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Slone reported regarding memberships and multiple projects that the chamber is working through. Mr. Slone also updated council on the current Leadership class and their project. Mr. Jason Slone updated council that they plan to have the next leadership class re-engage alumni to help teach the next generation: the former graduate would receive a scholarship to join one of the current employees. Also reported by Mr. Jason Slone was that Rowan County Fiscal Court expressed interest in looking into the housing needs.

## **8. Morehead Utility Plant Board Report**

Mr. Glen Teager reported for Morehead Utility Plant Board, he mentioned that the bids were inflated and that this is a bad time to be bidding anything for the water plant.

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

Mr. Rodney Fouch reported to council future growth/development/projects for the city. Mr. Fouch reported that permits were about the same amount as they were last year at this time. Mr. Fouch updated council on the Urgent Care Facility and the Coroners Facility. Mr. Fouch also reported that McDonalds and Cattlemen's progress was moving forward.

### **9.a. Packs + Walker Update**

Mr. David Rhodes updated council on the Police/911 Facility. Mr. Rhodes reported that the first floor is coming along good they are 80% on metal studs and 90% on electrical rough in and 60% HVAC rough in. Mr. Rhodes also reported that the decking on the second floor should be complete this week. Mr. David Rhodes also reported that they were meeting with the architects and city representatives regarding the delays and the impact it will have on the city's equipment. Mr. Rhodes further discussed supply delays and that they are a big issue.

**9.b. Approval of Payment #12**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve payment #12 on the Police/911 Facility Project passed with a motion by Mr. Glen Teager and second by Ms. Jan Bishop.

Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Absent
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Mr. Glen Teager	Yes
Mr. Jim Tom Trent	Yes

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

**Motion Passed:** Motion to ratify payment of the monthly bills and statements passed with a motion by Mr. Kash and a second by Ms. Jan Bishop

Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Absent
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Mr. Glen Teager	Yes
Mr. Jim Tom Trent	Yes

**11. General Business Agenda**

**11.a. Unfinished Business**

**11.a.1. 2nd Reading of an Ordinance Amending The City of Morehead, Kentucky Code of Ordinances, Title 3, Administration, Chapter 39 City Policies, Section 39.01 Rental of Carl D. Perkins Community center; fee to amend the Title to Facility Rental and to include fees for the Hillview Shelter, Creekside Shelter, Park Place, Rodburn Park (Shelter 1 & 2), Splash Pad & Shelter, Moonlight stage and Mobile Stage**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve 2nd Reading of an Ordinance Amending The City of Morehead, Kentucky Code of Ordinances, Title 3, Administration, Chapter 39 City Policies, Section 39.01 Rental of Carl D. Perkins Community center; fee to amend the Title to Facility Rental and to include fees for the Hillview Shelter, Creekside Shelter, Park Place, Rodburn Park (Shelter 1 & 2), Splash Pad & Shelter, Moonlight stage and Mobile Stage with a motion by Mr. Glen Teager and second by Mr. Mike Kash.

Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Absent
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Mr. Glen Teager	Yes

Mr. Jim Tom Trent    Yes

**11.a.2. Discussion Entertainment District**

Mayor White-Brown reported that she had been sent some images from Rodney Fouch of the concept drawings from Element Design earlier for her to share with council. Mr. Rodney Fouch explained that these are the same drawings that he sent out to council last month. Mr. Fouch discussed that shading, sunken fire pit, keeping seating, the possibility of a farmers’ market in the future and barricades were all a big deal with the design.

**11.a.3. Discussion of Cares Fund and American Relief Funds**

Mr. Glen Teager discussed that council had discussed in the past the possibility of putting a committee together to plan what to do with the funds. Mr. Teager also discussed that Morehead Utility Plant Board certainly qualifies and that there was need there, due to the bids coming in higher as discussed earlier. Mayor White-Brown discussed that she had been meeting with departments and is doing a SWOT analogy to identify their priority projects for the city. Mayor White-Brown added that the next step would be an open budget workshop. Mr. Teager requested that the Morehead Utility Plant Board be included in the discussions adding that he just wanted to make sure all the stakeholders are involved that need to be involved.

Ms. Jan Bishop        Yes  
Mr. Mike Kash        Yes  
Ms. Beth Ousley      Absent  
Mr. David Perkins    Yes  
Mr. Glen Teager      Yes  
Mr. Jim Tom Trent    Yes

**11.b. New Business**

**11.b.1. Municipal Order Appointing Darrell Littleton to the Morehead Housing Authority Board**

**Motion Passed:** Municipal Order Appointing Darrell Littleton to the Morehead Housing Authority Board with a motion by Mr. Mike Kash and second by Mr. Jim Tom Trent.

Ms. Jan Bishop        Yes  
Mr. Mike Kash        Yes  
Ms. Beth Ousley      Absent  
Mr. David Perkins    Yes  
Mr. Glen Teager      Yes  
Mr. Jim Tom Trent    Yes

**11.b.2. Discussion Regarding the Lease of Dark Fiber to Mountain Rural Telephone Cooperative**

Mr. Rodney Fouch discussed that they have been meeting with Mountain Rural Telephone for a year or so regarding the leasing of six strands of fiber. Mr. Fouch discussed the possibility of the lease doubling in the future. Mr. David Perkins reported to council that Mountain Rural Telephone has fiber presence that they would connect from US 60 and 519 all the way to Salt Lick, but our fiber ends at US 60 and 801. Also reported by Mr. David Perkins was that the lease would be just shy of \$21,000. Mr. Perkins summarized by saying that the ask was for council to pass a motion to allow the mayor and staff to create an agreement authorizing the lease of the fiber and execute.

**Motion Passed:** Motion to request that the mayor and staff to create a lease agreement give authority to work out the details of the lease agreement and bring back to council passed with a motion from Mr. David Perkins and second by Mr. Glen Teager.

Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Absent
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Mr. Glen Teager	Yes
Mr. Jim Tom Trent	Yes

**12. Other City Business: Old or New**

Mayor Laura White-Brown thanked Public Works, the Fire Department and Police departments time and efforts during the snowstorm.

**13. Adjournment**

The meeting was properly adjourned at 6:39PM

Board of City Council  
Morehead, Kentucky

Approved by City Council  
on February 14, 2022  
ATTEST:

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Laura White-Brown, Mayor

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Helen Smith, City Clerk