

**City of Morehead
Minutes of
Regular Meeting of Board of City Council
February 12, 2024 6:00 PM
Morehead Police and 911 Facility 309 West Main Street Conference Room**

The Board of City Council of the City of Morehead, Kentucky met in regular session on February 12, 2024 at 6:00 PM in the Morehead Police and 911 Facility 309 West Main Street Conference Room.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Laura White-Brown called to order the February 12, 2024, regular called meeting of the Board of City Council at 6:00pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Attendance

Present Council Members:

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin
Ms. Jan Bishop
Mr. Lincoln Caudill
Mr. David Perkins
Dr. Edna Schack

Absent Council Members:

Ms. Beth Ousley

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

4.a. January 16, 2024 Special Called Meeting

Motion Passed: Motion to approve the meeting minutes from January 16, 2024, special called meeting passed with a motion by Mr. David Perkins and seconded by Dr. Edna Schack.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

5. Public Comments

5.a. Micah Stokes- Webelos

Micah Stokes, with Webelos Arrow of Light Morehead Chapter Pack #58 presented a community project to the council to improve one of the city's parks. The project presented was called a Gaga Ball Pit, an enclosure that allows kids to play dodge ball type activity. Mr. Stokes explained the enclosure with details regarding different sizes and materials that they are made. Mr. Stokes discussed further that they could adopt a park. Mayor White-Brown discussed with the council that they were looking at a space near the playground.

5.b. Viking Ambassadors Update

Caden Blair and Audrey Bryant were present to give the council an update on the Viking Ambassadors. Mr. Blair and Ms. Bryant discussed some of the main goals of the ambassadors including the membership and the structure of the ambassadors program and the committees within the program. Mr. Blair discussed some of the events that the ambassadors have hosted.

Mr. Chuck Mraz, Chairman of the Morehead Rowan County Recreation Board addressed the council regarding the greenspace in the city and the lack thereof. Mr. Mraz suggested that the area next to the splashpad would be a great place to have some greenspace, and that we want this to keep children here in our city.

Mr. Mraz also discussed with the council that a lot of the business parking lots look trashy and that they need to be cleaned up.

Nancy Gowler, a citizen of Morehead addressed the council regarding a support letter that was written by Phillip Atkins, the supervisor at the treatment plant at the Morehead Utility Plant Board in support of legislation (HB141) regarding removing water fluoridation.

Holly Rosas spoke to the council stating that the letter was written based off facts that the Morehead Utility Plant Board struggles with daily at the water treatment plant. Ms. Rosas explained that the Morehead Utility Plant Board is very neutral. Ms. Holly Rosas explained that the fluoride that is in the water is not the same fluoride that you would put on your teeth.

Phillip Atkins spoke to the council regarding his letter that he wrote in support of legislation (HB 141) regarding removing water fluoridation.

Ms. Holly Rosas reported for Morehead Utility Plant Board regarding financials for each department. Ms. Holly Rosas reported regarding the water treatment project and pictures can be seen on Facebook. Ms. Rosas reported that the Morehead Utility Plant Board renewed their field lab certification from the Kentucky Division of Water, and that an energy resilience survey was completed as required by FEMA for funding opportunities. Ms. Holly Rosas reported that Morehead Utility Plant Board is waiting on the state to have the state certified lab for the drinking water to fill the gap where Morehead State University closed theirs. Ms. Rosas reported regarding the sewer usage agreement and the administration department financials including the finalization of the audit.

Shannon Malone addressed the council regarding the old police department building and the plans that the council may have for that building.

6. Mayor's Report

Mayor White-Brown reported that there were updates in the city council's packet from all department directors.

7. Quarterly Reports

8. Morehead-Rowan County Tourism, Morehead Conference Center & Rowan County Arts Center

Ms. Joy Brown reported regarding the first round of the Turtle Project and that applications are now being accepted for the second round. Ms. Brown also reported that there is a new Cumberland Ranger District ranger, the Makers Market, the Triplett Creek Bluewater Trail Project, and the West Virginia Hunting and Fishing show in Charleston West Virginia. Ms. Joy Brown updated the council regarding the travel shows that she will be attending.

9. Morehead Utility Plant Board Report

Ms. Holly Rosas gave the report earlier in the meeting. Please see above.

10. Future Growth/Development/Projects for The City

Mr. Rodney Fouch updated the council regarding permits for Huey Magoo's, the new car wash, Huck's and the progress of the new Little Caesars. Mr. Fouch also updated the council on the trail project.

11. Ratification of Payment of Monthly Bills/Statements

Motion Passed: Motion to ratify payment of the monthly bills and statements passed with a motion by Ms. Jan Bishop and seconded by Mr. Lincoln Caudill.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

12. General Business Agenda

12.a. Unfinished Business

12.b. New Business

12.b.1. Presentation and Acceptance of Audit For Fiscal Year 22/23

Ms. Lori Dearfield presented the audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.

Motion Passed: Motion to approve the presentation and acceptance of the audit for the fiscal year 22/23 passed with a motion by Mr. David Perkins and seconded by Ms. Jan Bishop.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

12.b.2. A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Enter Into A Contract With Service Of Morehead, Inc. For Repairs And Replacement Of The Heat System At The Carl Perkins Community Center

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Enter Into A Contract With Service Of Morehead, Inc. For Repairs And Replacement Of The Heat System At The Carl Perkins Community Center in the amount of \$9,875.00.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

12.b.3. A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Appoint Darrell Littleton To The Morehead Rowan County Lakeview Heights Joint Planning Commission

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Appoint Darrell Littleton To The Morehead Rowan County Lakeview Heights Joint Planning Commission with a motion by Mr. David Perkins and seconded by Mr. Lincoln Caudill.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

12.b.4. A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Adopting The Kentucky Model Procurement Code (KRS 45A) And Authorizing Mayor Laura White-Brown And Successors-In-Title As The Official Project Representative To: Establish Selection Criteria, Advertise The Request For Engineering Qualifications, Appoint Engineer Selection

Committee, And Negotiate Fees For Engineering Services For The Morehead Utility Plant Board Storm Water Management Drainage Project

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Adopting The Kentucky Model Procurement Code (KRS 45A) And Authorizing Mayor Laura White-Brown And Successors-In-Title As The Official Project Representative To: Establish Selection Criteria, Advertise The Request For Engineering Qualifications, Appoint Engineer Selection Committee, And Negotiate Fees For Engineering Services For The Morehead Utility Plant Board Storm Water Management Drainage Project with a motion by Dr. Edna Schack and seconded by Ms. Jan Bishop.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

12.b.5. A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Mayor Laura White-Brown Or Her Designee To Enter Into An Agreement And/Or Submit A Recruit Academy Reservation With The Fire Academy Of Kentucky For Training Of Fire Fighters

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Mayor Laura White-Brown Or Her Designee To Enter Into An Agreement And/Or Submit A Recruit Academy Reservation With The Fire Academy Of Kentucky For Training Of Fire Fighters with a motion by Mr. David Perkins and seconded by Ms. Jan Bishop.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

12.b.6. 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Amending Title XI: Business Regulations, Chapter 112 Occupational License Tax, Section 112.02 License Application Required Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky By Removing The Business License Fee

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Amending Title XI: Business Regulations, Chapter 112 Occupational License Tax, Section 112.02 License Application Required Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky By Removing The Business License Fee with a motion by Dr. Edna Schack and seconded by Mr. Lincoln Caudill.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes

Mr. David Perkins Yes
Dr. Edna Schack Yes

12.b.7. 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Amending Title XV: Land Usage, Chapter 150 Building Regulations, Section 150.03 Electrical Inspections And Permits Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky By Removing The Electrical Permit Fee

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Amending Title XV: Land Usage, Chapter 150 Building Regulations, Section 150.03 Electrical Inspections And Permits Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky By Removing The Electrical Permit Fee with a motion by Mr. David Perkins and seconded by Ms. Jan Bishop.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill Yes
Mr. David Perkins Yes
Dr. Edna Schack Yes

12.b.8. 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Amending Title XI: Business Regulations, Chapter 112 Occupational License Tax, Section 112.13 Special Fees Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky By Removing The Business License Fee

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Amending Title XI: Business Regulations, Chapter 112 Occupational License Tax, Section 112.13 Special Fees Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky By Removing The Business License Fee with a motion by Mr. David Perkins and seconded by Ms. Jan Bishop.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill Yes
Mr. David Perkins Yes
Dr. Edna Schack Yes

12.b.9. 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Amending The Official Zoning Code, Title XV: Land Usage, Chapter 154 Zoning Code, Section 154.162 Residential Dimensional Standards, Table 162-1 Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Amending The Official Zoning Code, Title XV: Land Usage, Chapter 154 Zoning Code, Section 154.162 Residential Dimensional Standards, Table 162-1 Of The Code Of Ordinances Of

The City Of Morehead, Kentucky with a motion by Mr. David Perkins and seconded by Ms. Jan Bishop.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

13. Other City Business: Old or New

Mayor White-Brown updated the council regarding Laughlin Health Building and the plans that the City of Morehead has that include not renewing the lease. Mayor White-Brown reported that the City of Morehead does have plans to expand some buildings that we have to accommodate the services.

13.a. Executive (Closed) Session per KRS 61.810(b) for deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property when publicity would be likely to affect the value of the property and/or KRS 61.810(1)(c) which allows for discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency.

Motion Passed: Motion To Go Into Executive (Closed) Session per KRS 61.810(b) for deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property when publicity would be likely to affect the value of the property and/or KRS 61.810(1)(c) which allows for discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency by Dr. Edna Schack and seconded by Mr. Lincoln Caudill. (7:43PM)

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

Motion Passed: Motion To Come Out of Executive (Closed) Session per KRS 61.810(b) for deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property when publicity would be likely to affect the value of the property and/or KRS 61.810(1)(c) which allows for discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency with a motion by Mr. David Perkins and seconded by Ms. Jan Bishop. (8:22PM)

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

Official Action After Executive Session

Motion Passed: Motion To Vote To Approve The Current Plan And Accepted Outline Release Of The National Prescription Opioid Litigation Endo Bankruptcy Settlement With A Motion by Mr. David Perkins and seconded by Ms. Jan Bishop.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

14. Adjournment

The meeting was properly adjourned at 8:22PM.

Board of City Council
Morehead, Kentucky

Approved by City Council
on March 11, 2024
ATTEST:

Laura White-Brown, Mayor

Helen Smith, City Clerk