

City of Morehead
Minutes of
Regular Meeting of Board of City Council
September 11, 2023 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 September 11, 2023 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 September 11, 2023, 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
Ms. Beth Ousley
Mr. David Perkins
Dr. Edna Schack

Mayor Laura White-Brown reported that Councilman James Thomas Trent had resigned

4. Executive (Closed) Session per KRS 61.810(1)(c) which allows for discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency and KRS 61.810(1)(f) Discussions or hearings which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee, member, or student without restricting that employee's, member's, or student's right to a public hearing if requested. This exception shall not be interpreted to permit discussion of general personnel matters in secret.

Motion Passed: Motion to go into Executive (Closed) Session per KRS 61.810(1)(c) which allows for discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency and KRS 61.810(1)(f) Discussions or hearings which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee, member, or student without restricting that employee's, member's, or student's right to a public hearing if requested. This exception shall not be interpreted to permit discussion of general personnel matters in secret by Dr. Edna Schack and seconded by Mr. David Perkins.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

Motion Passed: Motion to come out of Executive (Closed) Session per KRS 61.810(1)(c) which allows for discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency and KRS 61.810(1)(f) Discussions or hearings which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee, member, or student without restricting that employee's, member's, or student's right to a public hearing if requested. This exception shall not be interpreted to permit discussion of general personnel matters in secret by Dr. Edna Schack and seconded by Mr. David Perkins.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

Mayor White-Brown noted that there was no action taken in closed session.

**5. Minutes of Previous Meeting:
5.a. August 14, 2023**

Motion Passed: Motion to approve the meeting minutes from August 14, 2023, regular scheduled meeting, passed with a motion by Ms. Beth Ousley and seconded by Ms. Jan Bishop.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

**6. Public Comments
6.a. Other Public Comments**

7. Mayor's Report

Mayor Laura White-Brown reported to council that there is a update report for each department in the packet. Dr. Edna Schack requested that the departments give a trend line in the reports.

**8. Quarterly Reports
8.a. Downtown Morehead, Inc.**

Mr. Tony Pence reported for Downtown Morehead, Inc. Mr. Pence reported regarding the previous festivals and the St. Claire Freedom Fest. Mr. Pence reported on the Friday Night Live Series that was started in July and scheduled to run through August 25, 2023. Mr. Pence also reported regarding music for Labor Day weekend, Octubafest and Hometown Holidays. Mr. Tony Pence also reported regarding the next Freedom Fest tentatively scheduled for July 6. Mr. Pence reported that there will be 50/50 tickets available at the Veterans Museum and that this has been made possible through their gaming license.

9. Morehead Utility Plant Board Report

Ms. Holly Rosas reported for the Morehead Utility Plant Board regarding financials for all departments, including updates on the water plant expenditures, sewer plant and maintenance department. Ms. Rosas also reported that the water treatment plant is continuing to move forward and is over 40 percent complete. Ms. Rosas also reported that they are still waiting for the state to approve the drinking labs. Ms. Rosas then updated the council regarding the Main Street project and the issues that have put them a little behind schedule. Ms. Rosas then updated the council regarding the administration department.

10. Future Growth/Development/Projects for The City

Mr. Rodney Fouch reported on Future Growth/Development/Projects for the city. Mr. Fouch reported that there are several new permits for ABC and a couple of new licenses for businesses. Mr. Fouch also reported that the alcohol annual permit process is completed. Mr. Fouch reported regarding the ongoing projects and that they are moving along. Mr. Fouch reported on the progress of the First Street project and the GreenSinks 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. Beth Ousley and seconded by Ms. Jan Bishop

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

12. General Business Agenda

12.a. Unfinished Business

12.a.1. 2nd Reading of An Ordinance Relating To The Use of Golf Carts On Certain Designed Roadways, Roads And/Or Streets Within The City of Morehead

Motion Passed: Motion to Approve 2nd Reading of An Ordinance Relating To The Use of Golf Carts On Certain Designed Roadways, Roads And/Or Streets Within The City of Morehead with a motion by Mr. David Perkins and seconded by Ms. Jan Bishop

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

12.a.2. 2nd Reading of An Ordinance Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Amending Title VII: Traffic Code, Chapter 73 Traffic Schedules, Schedule II: Stop Intersections Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky By Adding A Stop Sign On Wilson Avenue (South) At The Intersection With First Street

Motion Passed: Motion to Approve 2nd Reading An Ordinance Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Amending Title VII: Traffic Code, Chapter 73 Traffic Schedules, Schedule II: Stop Intersections Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky By Adding A Stop Sign On Wilson Avenue (South) At The Intersection With First Street with a motion by Ms. Beth Ousley and seconded by Dr. Edna Schack.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

12.b. New Business

12.b.1. A Resolution of The City of Morehead to Declare September 2023 as "City Government Month"

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Resolution of The City of Morehead to Declare September 2023 as "City Government Month" with a motion by Mr. David Perkins and seconded by Ms. Jan Bishop.

Mayor White-Brown reported that KLC puts together a program for schools and that there will be some city government super heroes going to schools.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

12.b.2. A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Apply For The 2024 Litter Abatement Grant Funding And Enter Into An Agreement For Anti-Litter Control Program

Motion Passed: Motion to Approve A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Apply For The 2024 Litter Abatement Grant Funding And Enter Into An Agreement For Anti-Litter Control Program with a motion by Ms. Beth Ousley and seconded by Ms. Jan Bishop.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

12.b.3. A Resolution Declaring The Intent Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky To Reimburse Itself For The Cost Of Capital Expenditures From The Proceeds Of Tax-Exempt Obligations

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Resolution Declaring The Intent Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky To Reimburse Itself For The Cost Of Capital Expenditures From The Proceeds Of Tax-Exempt Obligations with a motion by Mr. David Perkins and seconded by Ms. Beth Ousley.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

12.b.4. A Resolution Of The City Of Morehead 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 Planning Related Activities For Flooding Project

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Resolution Of The City Of Morehead 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 Planning Related Activities For Flooding Project with a motion by Ms. Beth Ousley and seconded by Ms. Jan Bishop.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

12.b.5. A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving The Infrastructure Revolving Loan Fund Conditional Commitment Letter (C23-1) With The Kentucky Infrastructure Authority

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving The Infrastructure Revolving Loan Fund Conditional Commitment Letter (C23-1) With The Kentucky Infrastructure Authority with a motion by Mr. David Perkins and seconded by Ms. Beth Ousley.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

12.b.6. A Municipal Order Of The City of Morehead, Kentucky Setting Forth Guidelines For General Purchasing And Contracting

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Municipal Order Of The City of Morehead, Kentucky Setting Forth Guidelines For General Purchasing And Contracting with a motion by Ms. Beth Ousley and seconded by Mr. David Perkins.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

12.b.7. 1st Reading of An Ordinance Enacting And Adopting A Supplement To The Code of Ordinances of The City of Morehead, Kentucky

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading of An Ordinance Enacting And Adopting A Supplement To The Code of Ordinances of The City of Morehead, Kentucky with a motion by Dr. Edna Schack and seconded by Ms. Beth Ousley.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

12.b.8. 1st Reading of An Ordinance Setting The 2023 Real And Personal Property Tax Rates For The City of Morehead, Kentucky And Amending Title 9 General Regulations, Chapter 94 Ad Valorem Tax, Sections 94.03 Rates And 94.05 Payment of Taxes of The City of Morehead Code of Ordinances

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading of An Ordinance Setting The 2023 Real And Personal Property Tax Rates For The City of Morehead, Kentucky And Amending Title 9 General Regulations, Chapter 94 Ad Valorem Tax, Sections 94.03 Rates And 94.05 Payment of Taxes of The City of Morehead Code of Ordinances with a motion by Ms. Beth Ousley and seconded by Mr. David Perkins setting the rate at 41 cents per \$100.00 for real and 74.91 cents per \$100.00 for personal property.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

12.b.9. 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Setting The 2024 Motor Vehicle And Watercraft Tax Rate For The City of Morehead, Kentucky And Amending Title 9 General Regulations, Chapter 94 Ad Valorem Tax, Section 94.06 Motor Vehicle and Watercraft Tax Rate Assessment of The City of Morehead Code of Ordinances

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Setting The 2024 Motor Vehicle And Watercraft Tax Rate For The City of Morehead, Kentucky And Amending Title 9 General Regulations, Chapter 94 Ad Valorem Tax, Section 94.06 Motor Vehicle and Watercraft Tax Rate Assessment of The City of Morehead Code of Ordinances with a motion by Mr. David Perkins and seconded by Ms. Beth Ousley at the rate of .22 cents per \$100.00.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

13. Other City Business: Old or New

13.a. Discussion - Update on Silver Street Request

Mr. Greg Jones updated the council regarding the information that he had collected on the shape of Silver Street and the costs associated with bringing the street up to code. Mr. Jones also noted that there has not been a formal request made in writing to take the street in to the city streets.

Mr. David Perkins noted that the street width is not up to code either.

Ms. Holly Rosas reported it would have to be evaluated for stormwater runoff and would be costly very costly.

13.b. A Resolution Of The City Of Morehead For Disposal Of Surplus (1998 Freightliner) Fire Department

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Resolution Of The City Of Morehead For Disposal Of Surplus (1998 Freightliner) Fire Department with a motion by Ms. Beth Ousley and seconded by Ms. Jan Bishop.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin	Yes
Ms. Jan Bishop	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. David Perkins	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes

14. Adjournment

The meeting was properly adjourned at 8:38PM.

Board of City Council
Morehead, Kentucky

Approved by City Council
on October 9, 2023
ATTEST:

Laura White-Brown, Mayor

Helen Smith, City Clerk