

**City of Morehead
Minutes of
Regular Meeting of Board of City Council
April 08, 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 April 08, 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 April 8, 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, led by Christian Brown.

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. March 11, 2024, Regular Scheduled Meeting

Motion Passed: Motion to approve the meeting minutes from March 11, 2024, regular scheduled meeting passed 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

5. Public Comments

Mr. Mickey Reffitt and Liz Reffitt spoke to the council with concerns regarding the ordinances to raise council pay and mayors pay. It was explained that the increase in councilmember pay would not take effect until January 1, 2025, and the raise would be effective for incoming council members following the election in November 2024. It was explained that the increase in Mayor's pay would not take effect until January 1, 2027, and that the raise would be effective for the incoming Mayor following the election in November 2026.

Annett Grahm speaking on behalf of Beth and Mary Braughler on Allen Avenue would like to thank the Morehead Utility Plant Board for their quick response to the sewer issues they had on Saturday night.

5.a. Lori Fries- Stargazer Lounge

Ms. Lori Fries was present to introduce herself and tell a little about their new business in town, Stargazer Lounge. Ms. Fries noted that it is important to them (the owners) to give back to the community via charity and fundraising.

6. Mayor's Report

Mayor White-Brown reported that Department Directors have reports in council packets and moving forward there will be a little different format.

7. Quarterly Reports

8. Morehead-Rowan County Chamber of Commerce

Mr. Jason Slone reported to the council for Morehead-Rowan County Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Slone reported regarding memberships, and updates from the Regional Workforce conference, Huck's grand opening and ribbon cutting scheduled for April 25, 2024, Wag Woof Walk -5k scheduled for May 18, 2024, with all proceeds going to STAR and the upcoming Chamber Golf Scramble at Eagle Trace Golf Course. Mr. Slone updated the council on the chamber receiving their Articles of Incorporation and final approval for 501C3.

Mr. Slone reported to the council for the Economic Development Council regarding Rajant's plans to finish the remaining 22,105sf facility. Mr. Slone also reported plans for a second ready-built site (6 acres) and Tru Contracting was awarded the bid. Mr. Jason Slone also reported to the council regarding Eastern Light Distillery and the Downtown Strategic Plan getting ready to move to EDC for approval. Mr. Jason Slone reported that the Economic Development Council is looking at a comprehensive plan.

9. Morehead Utility Plant Board Report

Ms. Holly Rosas was present to give a report for the Morehead Utility Plant Board. Ms. Holly Rosas reported regarding the and sewer revenues, the water plant expenditures, capital projects and the water treatment plant (about 70% completed). Ms. Rosas reported updates from each department and updates regarding paving on Second Street.

10. Future Growth/Development/Projects for The City

Mr. Rodney Fouch reported to the council for Future Growth/Development/Projects for the city including a lot of small projects and the one bigger permit written for the new Burger King. Mr. Fouch also reported regarding the zone changes that were requested to the planning commission; including the Allen Avenue request and the Hallwood Drive request.

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 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. General Business Agenda

12.a. Unfinished Business

12.b. New Business

12.b.1. Allen Avenue Discussion

There was a short discussion regarding the request for zone change on Allen Avenue. Mayor White-Brown explained that there is nothing at this time for council to vote on in regards to the request.

12.b.2. 1st Reading of An Ordinance Adopting The City of Morehead, Kentucky Annual Budget For FY 7-1-2023 through 6-30-2024 by Estimating Revenues and Resources and Appropriating Funds For The Operation of City Government, Amendment No. 2

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading of An Ordinance Adopting The City of Morehead, Kentucky Annual Budget For FY 7-1-2023 through 6-30-2024 by Estimating Revenues and Resources and Appropriating Funds For The Operation of City Government, Amendment No. 2 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.3. 1st Reading of An Ordinance Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Repealing Title IX: General Regulations, Chapter 93 Streets and Sidewalks, Section 93.16 Access And Drainage

Construction Specifications Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky

Moton Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading of An Ordinance Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Repealing Title IX: General Regulations, Chapter 93 Streets and Sidewalks, Section 93.16 Access And Drainage Construction Specifications Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky with a motion by Dr. Edna Schack and seconded by Mr. David Perkins.

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

12.b.4. 1st Reading Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Amending Title IX: General Regulations, Chapter 93 Streets And Sidewalks, Section 93.15 Permits For Construction Required Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky By Removing Provisions Relating To Stormwater, Drainage, Flow And Like Matters

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Amending Title IX: General Regulations, Chapter 93 Streets And Sidewalks, Section 93.15 Permits For Construction Required Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky By Removing Provisions Relating To Stormwater, Drainage, Flow And Like Matters 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.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, Adjusting The Retain Water Rates

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 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, Adjusting The Retain Water Rates 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 The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Amending Title V: Public Utilities, Chapter 55 Stormwater Management Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Amending Title V: Public Utilities, Chapter 55 Stormwater Management Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky 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 Adopting A Budget For The Morehead Utility Plant Board For Fiscal Year 2024-2025 By The Board Of City Council Of Morehead, Kentucky

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Adopting A Budget For The Morehead Utility Plant Board For Fiscal Year 2024-2025 By The Board Of City Council Of Morehead, Kentucky with a motion by Mr. Lincoln Caudill 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 The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Amending Title V: Public Utilities, Chapter 50 Garbage; Solid Waste Section50.04 Rates For Garbage Collection Service Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky By Increasing The Rates For Garbage Collection Service

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Amending Title V: Public Utilities, Chapter 50 Garbage; Solid Waste Section50.04 Rates For Garbage Collection Service Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky By Increasing The Rates For Garbage Collection Service 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	No

12.b.9. 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Amending The Zoning Map Of The City Of Morehead To Re-Classify The Property Located On Hallwood Drive At The End Of City Limits

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Amending The Zoning Map Of The City Of Morehead To Re-Classify The Property Located On Hallwood Drive At The End Of City Limits 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	No

12.b.10. A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Re-Appoint Gertrude Murphy To The Board Of The Housing Authority Of Morehead

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Re-Appoint Gertrude Murphy To The Board Of The Housing Authority Of Morehead with a motion by Ms. Jan Bishop 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

12.b.11. 1st Reading of An Ordinance Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Amending Title III: Administration, Chapter 31 Legislative Authority, Section 31.09 Compensation Of Councilmembers Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky By Increasing The Monthly Sum Paid To Councilmembers

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading of An Ordinance Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Amending Title III: Administration, Chapter 31 Legislative Authority, Section 31.09 Compensation Of Councilmembers Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky By Increasing The Monthly Sum Paid To Councilmembers with a motion by Mr. Lincoln Caudill 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.12. 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Increasing The Annual Compensation Of The Mayor Effective January 1, 2027

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Increasing The Annual Compensation Of The Mayor Effective January 1, 2027 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

13.a. Executive (Closed) Session per KRS 61.810(1)(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(1)(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 Dr. Edna Schack. (7:47PM).

Motion Passed: Motion To Come Out of Executive (Closed) Session per KRS 61.810(1)(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. (8:02PM).

There was no action taken following Executive (Closed) Session.

14. Adjournment

The meeting was properly adjourned at 8:03 PM.

Board of City Council
Morehead, Kentucky

Approved by City Council
on May 13, 2024
ATTEST:

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Laura White-Brown, Mayor

Helen Smith, City Clerk