

**CITY OF BARDSTOWN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
01-14-2014
7:00 – 8:30 P.M.**

With Mayor Bill Sheckles presiding, the City Council met in a regular session in the Council Chambers with the following Councilmen:

Councilman Joe Buckman
Councilman Francis Lydian
Councilman Tommy Reed
Councilman John Royalty
Councilman Bobby Simpson
Councilman Roland Williams

Others present: Assistant City Administrator Larry Green, Director of Public Works and Engineering Larry Hamilton, Chief Financial Officer Mike Abell, City Electrical Engineer Jeff Mills, City Attorney Tom Donan, City Clerk Barbie Bryant, Fire Chief Marlin Howard, Police Chief Rick McCubbin, Police Major Ray Lewis, Police Officer Jaron Skillman, Police Officer Reece Riley, Bardstown Nelson County Volunteer Fire Firefighters Chair Neal Pyle, E-911 Dispatch Director Debbie Carter, Nelson County Deputy A.J. Lewis, The Kentucky Standard reporter Randy Patrick, Nelson County Gazette reporter Jim Brooks, WBRT Radio Co-Owner Roth Stratton, and citizens Richard Nest, Arthur Woodson, Helen Buckman Thomas, Laurie Ard, Bert May, John Selent, Steve Reed, Danielle Jones, and David and Dee Clark.

KENTUCKY STANDARD ADVERTISING CONTRACT

City Electrical Engineer Mills presented the \$50,000 advertising contract from The Kentucky Standard at a rate of \$8.47 with an additional size discount, and a rate of \$4.03 in the Kentucky Standard Extra. This represents a 61% annual savings and covers all departments' public notice requirements. **UPON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN REED, DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN WILLIAMS AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 0, THE RECOMMENDATION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN AND EXECUTE THE CONTRACT, WAS APPROVED.**

HD EXTREME TIER ADDITIONS

Upon the recommendation of the Cable TV Programming Committee, Palladia HD and SONY Movies HD were suggested to replace FX, Speed, and National Geographic that were lost through contractual requirements in the HD Extreme Tier. **UPON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN BUCKMAN, DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN ROYALTY AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 0, THE RECOMMENDATION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN AND EXECUTE THE CONTRACTS, WAS APPROVED.**

MINUTES

The minutes from the 11-23-2013 Special Council meeting were presented. **UPON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN SIMPSON, DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BUCKMAN AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 0, THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED.**

FIRST READING – PROPOSED ORDINANCE B2014-JUNK, SECONDHAND, AND SCRAP DEALERS.

Councilman Simpson introduced proposed Ordinance B2014 – Junk, Secondhand and Scrap Dealers, and asked for its first reading. City Attorney Donan read the proposed ordinance in summary. **No Vote was taken.**

FIRST READING – PROPOSED ORDINANCE B2014-TELECOMMUNICATION SYSTEMS FRANCHISE.

Councilman Simpson introduced proposed Ordinance B2014-Telecommunication Systems Franchise, and asked for its first reading. City Clerk Bryant read the proposed ordinance in full. **No Vote was taken.**

OATH OF OFFICE – POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mayor Sheckles invited Officer Jeron Skillman to join him as he administered the Oath of Office. The Councilmen, along with those in attendance, joined the Mayor in a round of congratulatory applause.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE ON MOBILE FOOD VENDORS

Mayor Sheckles has been approached by the Bardstown Nelson County Chamber of Commerce and the Nelson County Economic Development Agency to revisit the planning and zoning restrictions to allow Mobile Food Vendors in the city limits. Assistant City Administrator Green presented the proposed ordinance that would produce a special permit for outdoor sales and displays with rules and regulations that govern Mobile Food Vendors. Mayor Sheckles asked the Council to review the ordinance and make recommendations.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Simpson reported on the Electric and Cable meeting that was held on January 7, 2014. An electrical 5-year plan was discussed as well as an update on the downtown 4K conversion. With the reduction in costs for cable construction, additional areas can be considered for new builds. The contents of the meeting of the Cable TV Programming Committee, that was held on January 8, 2014, were previously discussed (SONY Movies HD and Palladia HD contracts.)

Councilman Buckman will attend a lecture and workshop by Jeff Speck, author of "Walkable City: How Downtown Can Save America, One Step at a Time" at 7pm on Thursday in Frankfort. He will drive and invited anyone else with an interest to attend with him.

Councilman Lydian gave an update on the property at 709 W. Stephen Foster Avenue. Although the Kentucky Division of Waste Management had received complaints about the property, they did visit the property but did not find it in violation. Police Chief McCubbin saturated the area in December and continues to monitor the Broken Tee Night Club. He also plans to attend the Maple Hill neighborhood meetings. Councilman Royalty suggested increasing the number of weekly pickups for the dumpster. Director of Public Works and Engineering Hamilton has been requested to look into the dumpster issue and will examine possible solutions.

Councilman Reed announced that Monday, January 20th, in celebration of the Martin Luther King, Jr 50th anniversary of his "I Have A Dream" speech, 70 students from Bethlehem High School, a dozen Rotarians and members of the community will gather for the second annual Day of Service. Food will be packaged for 15,000 persons to be distributed around the world.

STAFF REPORTS

Director of Public Works and Engineering Hamilton reported that the Jerry Riley Waste Water Treatment Plant Agreed Order had expired and all of the City's Water and Waste Water plants are now operating in good standing with the State Department of Environmental Protection.

FIVE YEAR ANNIVERSARIES

Mayor Sheckles announced that City Electrical Engineer Jeff Mills will celebrate 25 years with the City this month.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss and **UPON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN SIMPSON, DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN REED AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 0, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.**

CITY OF BARDSTOWN

William S. Sheckles, Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbara Bryant, City Clerk