

**CITY OF BARDSTOWN, KENTUCKY
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
10-27-2015
7:00 PM**

The City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers with Mayor Royalty and the following Councilmen:

Councilman Buckman
Councilman Copeland
Councilman Hagan
Councilman Lydian
Councilman Simpson
Councilman Williams

Others present: Director of Public Works & Engineering Larry Hamilton, City Electrical Engineer Jeff Mills, Chief Financial Officer Tracy Hudson, Human Resource Director Larry Green, City Civil Engineer Jessica Filiatreau, City Clerk Barbie Bryant, City Attorney Tim Butler, Fire Chief Marlin Howard, Nelson County Gazette Reporter Jim Brooks, The Kentucky Standard Reporter Randy Patrick, and citizens Margaret Sims, Mitch Royalty, C.R. Royalty and Joe Buckman.

UTILITY BILL PRINTING AND MAILING SERVICES BID

Chief Financial Officer Hudson presented the bid and recommended the services of Bluegrass Integrated Communications. Although this bid was not the lowest, she stated that the location of the company in Lexington KY would afford our customers quicker receipt of bills due on the 15th and 30th of the month. **COUNCILMAN HAGAN MOVED TO APPROVE THE BID FROM BLUEGRASS INTEGRATED COMMUNICATIONS FOR A ONE YEAR CONTRACT AT A RATE OF \$2,789.20/MONTH. THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN COPELAND AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 0.**

GRW DESIGN ENGINEERING SERVICES PROPOSAL

City Civil Engineer Filiatreau presented the proposal to hire GRW to provide design engineering services for the Water Treatment Plant. **COUNCILMAN HAGAN MOVED TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR GRW TO PROVIDE DESIGN ENGINEERING SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$27,800.00. THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN COPELAND AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 0.**

HISTORICAL REVIEW BOARD

The following recommendations from the Bardstown Historical Review Board were presented:

- (a) COA-15-45. Kim Conway, Applicant/Owner, proposes to construct a carport and landscape at 211 West Flaget Avenue. Recommendation: Approval of the new addition with the condition that the garage/carport be white sided, the columns be 12” wooden and white, and that all windows be squared and that all changes will be staff approved.
- (b) COA-15-53. Dodson and Mary Campbell, Applicant/Owner, proposes to install railing at 215 North 4th Street. Recommendation: Approval of the installation of the railing.
- (c) COA-15-54. Susan Christensen, Applicant/Owner, proposes to install railing at 211 North 4th Street. Recommendation: Approval of the installation of the railing.
- (d) COA-15-55. Darrell Hawkins, Applicant/Owner, proposes to paint the door at 302 South 3rd Street. Recommendation: Denial of the paint color to be changed to a more muted tone.
- (e) COA-15-56. Simply B Boutique (Danyell Boone), Applicant/Owner, proposes to install signage at 97 West Flaget Avenue. Recommendation: Approval of the installation of the signage with the condition that the gold color be staff approved.
- (f) COA-15-57. Ron Langdon, Applicant, and Julie and Michael Katz, Owners, propose to build a one-story addition, pool, loggia, and garage at 202 South 3rd Street. Recommendation: Approval of the addition, pool, loggia, and garage with the condition that the landscaping, garage doors, fencing, and walkway be approved in the future.
- (g) COA-15-58. Mike and Sheila Abell, Applicant/Owner, propose exterior modifications at 113 East Broadway Avenue. Recommendation: Approval of the iron trellis and shutters.
- (h) ~~TABLED COA 15-59~~. ~~Lewis and Paulette Korody, Applicant/Owner, propose to paint roof at 512 North 3rd Street.~~

COUNCILMAN HAGAN MOVED TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HISTORICAL

REVIEW BOARD FOR COA #15-45, COA #15-53, COA #15-54, COA #15-55, COA #15-56, AND COA #15-58 WITH THE CONDITIONS SET FORTH BY THE HRB AND TO TABLE THE APPLICATION FOR COA #15-57. THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BUCKMAN AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4 TO 2.

A Special Council Meeting was then scheduled for Monday, November 2, 2015, 6:00pm in the Council Chambers. An agenda item will be to re-evaluate HRB COA #15-57, 202 South 3rd St. City Clerk Bryant will send the HRB recording of the 10-20-2015 meeting to Council members for review.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE

THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE USE OF CITY STREETS FOR THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE WAS APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

MINUTES

THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF 10-13-2015 AND THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF 10-13-2015 WAS APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

BITE SUIT FOR POLIC DEPARTMENT

Councilman Buckman informed the Council that an outside source has donated \$600 toward the \$1500 total cost for a complete bite suit (gloves, helmet and suit), which is used by police personnel to train the canines.

COUNCILMAN BUCKMAN MOVED TO DONATE \$900 FROM THE COUNCIL'S CONTINGENCY FUND TO SUBSIDIZE THE COST TO PURCHASE THE BITE SUIT. THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN WILLIAMS AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 0.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE B2015 – CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD

Councilman Buckman re-introduced the ordinance and asked for its first reading. City Attorney Butler read the ordinance in summary that provides for the creation, powers and enforcement proceedings of a Code Enforcement Board for the City of Bardstown. No vote was taken.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE B2015 – COMPENSATION AND CLASSIFICATION PLANS –FIRE DEPT.

Councilman Buckman introduced the ordinance and asked for its first reading. City Attorney Butler read the ordinance in summary that will amend the number of authorized positions, their title and pay grade for the City's Fire Department. No vote was taken.

COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

Councilman Hagan gave an update on the Water and Wastewater Committee meeting that was held on 10-22-2015. One important consideration was to become a regional source for water, since the State is looking in that direction.

Councilman Buckman reported on the Safety Committee meeting that was held on 10-26-2015. The sole subject was the fire department's reassignments in the Classification and Compensation Plan.

City Electrical Engineer Mills asked the Council for two declarations. First, for the electric department's automated reading project, he stated we need to have a sole source declaration for the Tantalus piece of the project. Tantalus is the exclusive licensee of the radio frequency equipment necessary to read our previously installed water meter ERTs. A conversation with Linda Gray confirmed the need for the "declaration of sole source." There was no objection from the Council.

Secondly, Mills asked for a declaration that would allow the rapid replacement of some of the equipment that controls the main signals in the headend, namely the Broadcast Network Processors (BNP) manufactured by RGB. There have been many issues with the BNPs, causing tiling on the cable network, and they are near end-of-life. Further, RGB was recently acquired by another company, leaving their ongoing support in doubt. Mills recommended a complete "forklift" replacement of the BNPs with Cherrypicker line of multiplexers provided by Arris (formerly Motorola), the dominant player in the multiplexer market. He pointed out that the Cherrypickers are used by Comcast nationwide and that we have already begun a slow transition to the Cherrypicker platform, but an emergency declaration by the Mayor and City Council would let us quickly address the remaining affected channels. CFO Hudson mentioned that the CSRs receive large volumes of complaints every time the current equipment causes tiling and that she supported the replacements. Councilman Hagan asked if the amount was budgeted, to which Mills stated that it was not, but could come from reserves. The amount of the project is roughly \$200,000 and Mills said he would provide the quote for the Council's review. Councilman Buckman inquired as to the anticipated life of the new equipment. Mills stated that the expected lifespan should be 10 years.

City Civil Engineer Filiatreau thanked the Public Works personnel who were instrumental in the reconstruction of the Rubble Dam off the 31E highway towards New Haven. This project came in well under budget due to the use of City employees.

Fire Chief Howard reported on the response times of the 24/48 staffed fire station and how well the EMT program is performing.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Williams expressed his concerns about the lack of communication between the Council and the Mayor’s office regarding the Press Conference that was held after the Administrative Hearing for former police officer Nick Houck. City Attorney Butler conveyed his apologies but re-enforced the steps that must be taken to ensure all avenues of the hearing process were strictly followed.

Councilman Copeland expressed concerns about the cable TV transmission on Life Care Way. City Electrical Engineer Mills explained the nursing home facility would need to overhaul and update their wiring to help remedy a major portion of the issues.

CEMETERY DEEDS

THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE CEMETERY DEEDS FOR EARL AND JEAN HAGAN AND JANET TONGE WAS APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor announced that the Working Session for Tuesday, November 3, 2015 was cancelled.

ADJOURNMENT

THE MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

CITY OF BARDSTOWN

John Royalty, Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbara Bryant, City Clerk