

City of Mount Washington
Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
June 22, 2020
Fick Hall

Mayor Armstrong called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM with the following council members present Greg Gentry, Sandra Hockenbury, Daniel Dooley, Gayle Troutman and Mike Holt. Troy Barr was absent.

Also present were City Attorney Hayden Sweat, City Administrator Dawn Hardin, City Treasurer Alice Harris, Chief Troy Pitcock, and City Engineer Dave Derrick.

Mayor Armstrong reminded anyone wanting to speak to please sign in at the podium.

Councilman Gentry led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Armstrong asked those present to take a moment of reflection.

Minutes

Councilman Troutman made and Councilman Dooley seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the regular council meeting for June 8, 2020. Motion carried.

Councilman Gentry made and Councilman Troutman seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Council meeting for June 17, 2020. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Alice Harris presented the Treasurer's Report for the month of May 2020. Councilman Holt made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as read and Councilwoman Hockenbury seconded. Motion carried.

Sign in Sheet

Trisha Moates discussed the swimming pool in Mt. Washington and encouraged the City Council to continue the upkeep and asked for assistance in the future to keep this pool open since the fiscal court is no longer funding several pools in the county. Mayor Armstrong stated the city does not own the property and had a contract with the YMCA for certain expenditures to operate and fund summer programs, but due to COVID-19 the city cancelled the contract since the pool will not be open.

Eric Short, a resident addressed the City Council regarding the recent protesting throughout our state and throughout the nation. He encouraged everyone to attend a rally he is sponsoring to show support to our law enforcement. He said this will be held at the Bullitt County Court House on July . 2020. Mr. Short also recommended that a statue of George Washington be erected in

downtown Mt. Washington since statues across our nation are being destroyed. Mayor Armstrong stated that we have looked into the expense of a statue in the past and the expense associated with this was very high. He said we can look into it again.

Ordinance (s)

SECOND READING – VOTE REQUIRED

Hayden Sweat read the second reading of a consensual annexation ordinance requesting annexation of 49.8704 acres more or less owned by James Jewell and located at Bethel Church Road. Councilman Holt made a motion to accept the ordinance and Councilwoman Hockenbury seconded the motion. Motion carried by a roll call vote of 5 to 0.

SECOND READING – VOTE REQUIRED

The city attorney read the second reading of an ordinance relating to the rezoning request of 41.74 acres more or less from AG to R-3 Residential, owned by David Hall, Russell Hall and James Musser. Councilman Dooley made and Councilman Troutman seconded a motion to accept the recommendations with the following restrictions:

- Single - family dwellings only
- Landscaped berm along Armstrong Lane
- No more than 20% vinyl (remaining 80% percent brick, stone, Hardie board or other finish approved by the City)

Motion carried by a roll call vote of 4 to 0 with one abstention. (Gentry)

Ordinance (s)

SECOND READING – VOTE REQUIRED

Hayden Sweat read the second reading on An Ordinance amending Budget Ordinance 19-18 for the fiscal year July 1, 2019 through June 30,2020. Councilman Holt made and Councilman Gentry seconded a motion to approve. Motion carried by a roll call vote of 5 to 0.

SECOND READING- VOTE REQUIRED

Hayden Sweat read the second reading of an ordinance adopting the Budget Ordinance for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Councilman Dooley made and Councilman Holt seconded a motion to approve. Motion carried by a roll call vote of 5 to 0.

FIRST READING -INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMAN DOOLEY

City Attorney Sweat read a first reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 158: Commercial Planning and Design.

FIRST READING -INTRODUCED BY COUNCILWOMAN HOCKENBURY

The city attorney read the first reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 158: Commercial Planning and Design. Mayor Armstrong stated the amendments were discussed during the Special Meeting held last week.

FIRST READING - INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMAN TROUTMAN

Hayden Sweat read the first reading of an ordinance amendment to Alcohol Beverage Control Ordinance. Hayden stated this was basically a clean ordinance, and that the statute only allows an increase of the fees of 5% and no one was charged the incorrect fee.

FIRST READING -INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMAN DOOLEY

The Attorney read the first reading of an ordinance amending the Business License Ordinance.

Mayor's Report

1. Please remember it is not too late to complete your 2020 Census. This is extremely vital not only for our city but for our county as a whole in the formula of funding.
2. The city has distributed the Small Business Relief Grant Program checks estimating \$57,000 and distributed to 19 businesses that have met qualifications.
3. The city has calculated our first draw from the Cares Act (\$1,057,000.00). The first reimbursement of revenues total \$828,680.57 which includes the money that was distributed to recipients from Small Business Relief Program. The remaining balance allocated to the City of Mt. Washington is \$228,319.43 and we will submit the final request after the next payroll of the Police Department.
4. Mt. Washington Pool- There are several repairs that must be finished, and I have requested information from a repair person to inspect and send me what needs to be done. There is a time issue due to our not opening the pool this season because by the time the repairs are finished the season will be almost over or completely. The mandate on reopening the pools is next Monday the 6th of July.
5. Request to build sidewalks down Bluegrass Drive for the kids walking to school from the subdivisions off Bluegrass Drive, Hubbard's Lane and Twin Eagles. Some homes on Bluegrass have sidewalks already at least partially down Bluegrass Drive.
6. Due to the loss of Depp Rasner, there will be a process underway to have to replace Depp's position as the PVA Administrator. It requires a test that you must pass implemented by the state regulations. It will then require the appointment by the Governor of Ky. To temporarily make this appt, until possibly the next election. I do not know if there is time to get this position on the ballot at the General Election.
7. The city is working on a grant through KIPDA to improve the intersection and traffic light and sidewalks in conjunction with the multi-use walking Trail Grant. Will update at a later date as it becomes available.

Executive Session

The Mayor stated there was a need to go into executive session in accordance with KRS 61.810, for the purpose of future acquisition of real property and litigation. Councilwoman Hockenbury made a motion at 7:47 PM to enter executive session, Councilman Dooley seconded. Motion carried.

Reconvene

Councilman Gentry made a motion at 8:10 PM to reconvene and Councilwoman Hockenbury seconded. Motion carried. Hayden said the city council met for the purpose of future acquisition of property and litigating and no final action was taken.

Adjournment

Councilman Troutman made, and Councilman Dooley seconded a motion to adjourn at 8:10 PM. Motion carried.

Barry Armstrong
Mayor

Elizabeth D. Hardin
City Administrator