**Approved Minutes of Regular Meeting**

**Of City Council, Of the City of Perryville, Kentucky**

##### **Held April 6, 2023, at City Hall**

Call to Order by Mayor Miller at 7:00 pm, with the Pledge of allegiance to Flag and prayer by Councilman Rob Kernodle.

Members present: Mayor Carlos Miller, Councilman Pruitt, Councilman Lankford, Councilwoman Caldwell, Councilman Simpson, and Councilman Kernodle; Councilman Bailey absent. Presence of a quorum.

**Routine Business:**

* **Minutes March 2, 2023, Regular Meeting** were presented. Motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Councilwoman Simpson, Seconded by Councilman Kernodle, accept with correction of number on Resolution 2023-002, no discussion, all in favor and motion carries.
* **Financial Report as of March 28, 2023**, were presented. Motion made to accept the financial reports as presented by Councilman Kernodle, and seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell, no discussion, all in favor and motion carries.
* **Pending Bills were presented.** Motion to pay all the city bills made by Councilman Pruitt and seconded by Councilman Kernodle, no discussion, all in favor and motion carries.

**Reports:**

* **Main Street** – written report, see attached.
* **Beautification –** no meeting this month due to sickness.
* **Fire Department** – written report, see attached.
* **Police Department and** **Alcohol Beverage Control Department**- written report, see attached.

**Old Business:**

* **Fire House –** Councilman Pruitt stated nothing to report at this time.
* **Occupational License section 2–** Mayor stated we need to set fees and dates for the Occupational License. The original ordinance is not specific but in old minutes they were verbally set. Ally has suggested a business license to have a full year at $25 and a 3-day event license at $15. If they plan to come to more than one event vendors can buy the regular business license. Deadline for renewal is January 31st yearly. This sounds good as they are competing with our brick-and-mortar businesses. Councilman Pruitt made a motion, seconded by Councilman Simpson to amend ordinance to read $25 annual business license to be renewed yearly by January 31st or $15 3-day weekend event license, all in favor and motion carries. Attorney Johns will get the ordinance rewritten and we will present it at the next meeting.
* **Annexation-** Councilman Pruitt stated that they had the first meeting, and some lines are drawn but we are waiting on a call back from PVA. Councilman Lankford brought up that he had heard there is an agricultural statute that could stop annexation. Attorney Johns asked if they were aware of the state law that was recently passed to stop annexation temporarily. Mayor Miller said yes, we may qualify to do it now but if not, we want to continue so that we are ready when you can again. We have a call into BGADD to get clarification.
* **Sign for City Hall Update–**USA sign for $395 is ordered and should be done soon. It will be on the corner, and we plan to light it.
* **Cruiser Update –** Willy Baker has taken pictures and has information and will be up for auction soon.

**New Business**

* **ARPA Payroll Resolution -** We have passed a resolution on the ARPA funds for loss of revenue. One of the things we can do with these funds is to offset payroll. We have set aside the $120,000 for a fire house. We have approximately $53,000 left in ARPA funds. One of the approved fund uses is for payroll. If we use the funds for payroll that will open those funds in the budget for other projects. Motion made by Councilman Simpson, seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell to accept **Resolution 2023-003 Perryville City Council Payroll Resolution,** The City of Perryville resolves to allocate $53,000 toward the payment of payroll for eligible City employees, as written, all in favor and motion carries.
* **2023/2024 Budget preparation –** It is time to start preparing the budget for July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. We can have up to three council members work with us on this. Councilman Kernodle and Councilman Pruitt will come to the meeting.
* **Fire Truck –** Mayor Miller got a call from the county fire chief asking us to move the fire truck out of their building due to this being the season for brush fires and they need access to all their equipment quickly. We do not have to do this, but it would be appreciated if we had somewhere else to put it. The maintenance building is a possibility, but it would only clear by a minimal amount. Chief Stevens stated they are still training on the truck but only take it out when it is absolutely needed. Councilman Lankford stated he had a building that could be used if needed. We need to keep it full of water because it is lower when full. Chief Stevens stated we can try if everything is moved.

**Open Forum**

* Mike Lankford stated the old footbridge on Christian Church side is cracked and a stone facing is off most of it. We need to get a quote on fixing this.
* Mayor Miller read meeting guidelines and showed a sheet for sign in to speak. He read the documents in full. Councilwoman Caldwell said she didn’t think you could deny anyone the right to speak. Councilman Lankford stated there should be a longer time than 3 minutes to speak. Mayor Miller stated that comments cannot be addressed to individual Council people. Attorney Johns will review and make sure it is legal.

**Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn made by Councilman Pruitt, seconded by Councilman Simpson, all in favor, motion carries. We are adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Mayor Carlos Miller

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City Clerk, Ingrid Walker

*Minutes prepared by City Clerk, Ingrid Walker*