**Minutes of Regular Meeting**

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

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

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

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

**Routine Business:**

* **Minutes June 1, 2023, Regular Meeting** were presented. Motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Councilman Bailey, seconded by Councilman Kernodle, no discussion, all in favor and motion carries.
* **Financial Report as of June 2023**, were presented. Motion made to accept the financial reports as presented by Councilman Kernodle, and seconded by Councilman Pruitt, no discussion, all in favor and motion carries.
* **Pending Bills were presented.** Motion to pay all the city bills made by Councilwoman Caldwell and seconded by Councilman Bailey, no discussion, all in favor and motion carries.

**Reports:**

* **Main Street** – written report, see attached report. Requested Road closures: Smith St, E 3rd and W 3rd St for Turtle Derby. Motion made to close the streets by Councilman Kernodle and seconded by Councilman Pruitt, no discussion, all in favor and motion carries. Proposal made to create a Venmo account for city payments. Motion made by Councilman Pruitt and seconded by Councilman Kernodle, suggestion was made to make an option available to pay property taxes online, that is something that would need to be investigated further. All in favor and motion carries.
* **Beautification –** No meeting this month.
* **Short Recess**
* **Fire Department** – Chief Stevens stated we had 5 total calls including: structure fire, car wreck, illegal burns, 1 Perryville PD assist. Received grant for saw and it is on the new truck. All of State Aid was spent on items like helmets, radio, and helmet lights. FD was audited by the State Fire Commission and passed all criteria.
* **Police Department and** **Alcohol Beverage Control Department**- written report, see attached.

**Old Business:**

* **Fire House –** No updates.
* **Occupational License**
* **Annexation-** Mayor Miller went before the Fiscal Court and was informed that there are requirements that would need to be met before they would consider it. Annexation will have to wait until next June after moratorium is up to reconsider**.**
* **Harbeson Park Marker –** Exact wording is not set yet, Lisa Bottom is in contact with David Walden to get a price on the marker before the next council meeting.

**New Business**

* **New City Clerk –** Introduced Trista Hinkle as new City Clerk. Approval of new City Clerk required by City Council. Motion made by Councilman Lankford, seconded by Councilman Simpson, no discussion, all in favor and motion carries.
* **Ordinance Amendment Penalty –**

**Ordinance 2009-004**

**(First Reading – Non-Binding)**

**Ordinance Amending Title XI**

The Amendment of Ordinance 2009-004 adds a penalty section to Title XI, §110.99 for the failure to obtain a business license as required under §110.02. Currently, §110.02 refers to §110.99 for the penalty, but none exists. The addition will read as follows:

Any person violating the provisions of §110.02 by failing to obtain an occupational license shall be guilty of a Class B Misdemeanor. They shall be fined a minimum of 10% of the occupational license fee per day of violation. Each day the violation is continued shall constitute a separate offense. Anyone violating any provisions where a different fine is not provided may be fined not less than $25 nor more than $100 for each offense.

Read by Councilman Pruitt. Motion was made by Councilman Kernodle, seconded by Councilman Bailey for the second and binding reading of said ordinance. Mayor Miller asked for additional discussion, with none a roll call vote was taken.

ROLL CALL: Voting Yea: Pruitt, Caldwell, Simpson, Kernodle and Bailey

Voting Nay: Lankford

**The first reading of Amendment of Ordinance 2009-004 was approved by 5 to 1 vote.**

* **Code Enforcement –** Mayor Miller stated that codes are not being enforced and suggested that a code enforcement officer be appointed. Two options were presented: a police officer writes citations and the offender goes before the district court, or a separate code enforcement officer who would be able to write violations, and these violations would go before a code enforcement board. With the latter option, a code enforcement board would need to be created. Currently, Elisa is doing some code enforcement, and if she continues then we could consider her working one day a week on code enforcement, until complete. If a code enforcement board is created, the funds received from violations should go back to the city, instead of district court which would be a benefit to us. Request made to table, no further discussion.
* **Amvets Roadblock –** Request to approve Amvets to do a roadblock on July 29th. Lankford suggested we create a criterion for approving roadblocks. Other suggestions include presenting before the council and possibly only allow non-profit foundations. Motion made to allow roadblock on July 29th from 8am-noon in front of Marathon station made by Councilman Bailey, seconded by Councilman Pruitt. No discussion, all in favor, motion carries.

**Open Forum**

* Fire Chief Stevens had an update regarding the new fire truck. County Fire Department no longer allowed the truck to be kept there, and the truck had to be moved. The truck fits in the Public Works building. There were some modifications made to make sure it fit, but after further investigation, they were able to fit the truck inside without any modifications.
* Councilman Bailey stated that Main Street Perryville has previously raised the idea of a playground he suggested that we gift a vacant lot that is owned by the City on Merchants Row across from 5th St and name it after Woody Stigall. Further ideas proposed include extension of boardwalk, kayak access, exercise equipment, and reverting ownership back to city if anything changes. City Attorney will research the requirements necessary before we can further discuss gifting the property.
* Councilman Bailey raised concern about the speed limit on Buell/Hwy 68, the state owns the road and hasn’t budged to reduce the speed limit. He suggested adding a school zone, if possible. Further discussion added that if a playground is added, then there is a possibility of pedestrian crosswalk if the playground is built. Other suggestions include making Perryville a no truck zone and writing to our legislators to get a bypass from Brumfield Rd to 150.

Motion to adjourn made by Councilman Pruitt, seconded by Councilman Bailey, all in favor, motion carries. We are adjourned at 8:20 pm.

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

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

Mayor Carlos Miller

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

City Clerk, Trista Hinkle

*Minutes prepared by City Clerk, Trista Hinkle*