



FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES – BUSINESS MEETING

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2017

The City Council of the City of Florence, Kentucky met in Regular Session on Tuesday, February 28th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Florence Government Center with Mayor Diane E. Whalen presiding in the Chair.

CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME:

Mayor Whalen called the regular meeting to order and declared the Regular Session to be open for the presentation of all City business.

ROLL CALL:

The roll was called and the following five (5) members of Council registered present: Gary Winn, Dr. Metzger Aubuchon, Duane Froelicher, David A. Osborne and J. Kelly Huff. Absent was Mel Carroll.

Also present were Mayor Diane E. Whalen, City Coordinator Alex Mattingly, City Attorney Hugh O. Skees, Fire/EMS Chief Kelly Joe Aylor, Police Chief John McDermond, Public Services Director Eric Hall, City Engineer Bill Viox, Business/Community Development Director Joshua Hunt, Finance Director Linda Chapman, Videographers Mike Setters, City Clerk Erin Courts and Lt. Greg Rehkamp.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

February 14, 2017 Business Meeting

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2017 business Meeting of Council. Council Member Winn so moved, with second from Council Member Huff. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

PROCLAMATION:

Marty Thomas Day

Mayor Whalen read aloud a proclamation declaring the February 28, 2017 as *Marty Thomas Day* in the City of Florence. She recognized Volunteer Firefighter/EMT Marty Thomas on his 43 years of service to the City of Florence and the Florence Fire/EMT Department.

PRESENTATION:

Collins Elementary

Mayor Whalen recognized Collins Elementary School Counselors Ashley Jacob and Jennifer Neis regarding the Core Life Program. Jennifer Neis provided background information on the program. She then introduced three of her students who gave their feedback on the program and what they have learned. Following that, Kathy Reutmann gave a brief presentation on the Boone County Early Learning Center that opened on February 13, 2017 and the plans for future expansion.

SECOND READING –

ORDINANCE O-1-17

The Mayor stated this Ordinance was pulled from the agenda. Joshua Hunt explained that Southern Air Inc. wanted to add another affiliate to this Ordinance and six months down the road, they will want to add another affiliate. Josh also said that they are going to try to find a way to write the Ordinance that an affiliate can be added without the Ordinance having to be re-read or re-written every time. Wade Williams from Tri-Ed will be attending the March 14th Council meeting to discuss this and will hopefully have a first reading of the Ordinance put together.

ORDINANCE O-2-17

Mayor Whalen presented the following Ordinance for Second Reading:

AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN TERRITORY CONSISTING OF A PARCEL OF APPROXIMATELY 1.26 ACRES LOCATED ON THE SOUTHWEST SIDE OF PLEASANT VALLEY ROAD (KENTUCKY HIGHWAY 237) APPROXIMATELY 600 FEET NORTHWEST OF VALLEY VIEW DRIVE, ADJACENT TO THE CITY LIMITS (ADVANCED PROPERTY SOLUTIONS, LLC)

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve Ordinance No. O-2-17 on second reading. Council Member Huff moved, with second from Council member Winn, that Ordinance No. O-2-17 be approved on second reading and be published in accordance with the law. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

MUNICIPAL ORDERS –

Municipal Order No. MO-9-17

Mayor Whalen presented the following Municipal Order for consideration:

MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. MO-9-17:

AN ORDER OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, KENTUCKY AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR AND, UPON APPROVAL, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE KENTUCKY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY (KOHS), TO EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS WHICH ARE DEEMED NECESSARY BY KOHS TO FACILITATE AND ADMINISTER THE PURCHASE OF FIVE (5) HYDROGEN CYANIDE DETECTORS AND TO ACT AS THE AUTHORIZED CORRESPONDENT FOR THIS PROJECT.

Council Member Huff moved, with second from Vice Mayor Aubuchon, that Municipal Order No. MO-9-17 be approved as reviewed. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- The Mayor informed members of Council and the viewing audience that applications for the Student Ambassador Program area available in the Florence Government Center Lobby and that the Program takes place beginning March 1, 2017 and runs through March 31, 2017.
- The Mayor wanted the remind residents that Daylight Savings Time is March 12, 2017.
- Citizens Police Academy at the Florence Government Center is set to begin on March 8, 2017 and take place every Wednesday evening from 6:30-9:00 pm until April 26, 2017.
- Youth in Government will be held from March 14-16, 2017 with a Council Meeting on the evening of March 14, 2017. The daytime activities will be held in the Community Rooms on the first floor of the Government Center.
- The Memberships for the Florence Family Aquatic Center are now on sale. Bring the completed membership form to the Finance Department in the Florence Government Center.
- The Mayor also mentioned that we are in the process of rebuilding our Florence Website.
- The Mayor touched base on the Park that will be built on Mall Road.

CITY COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

- Alex mentioned the Memo in the packets regarding the Budget Retreat to Council and told them to make sure to complete the form and return it to him.
- March 21, 2017 is the date Council Members chose to do the head shot photos for the new website with March 28, 2017 being a backup date.
- Alex mentioned the Panhandling Ordinance in a recent development and said that the Police Department is holding off on the Ordinance for now.

RECOGNITION:

Mayor Whalen asked if any council member desired recognition;

- Vice Mayor Aubuchon wanted to let Council and the Mayor know of the Live Well (Florence Coalition) meeting she attended along with Peter Glenn and Vanessa Leneer. She was very impressed with the Trail System and she let everyone know that meetings were held every third Tuesday at 8:30 in the Florence Government Center.
- Mayor Whalen asked if any department head desired recognition; No one responded
- Mayor Whalen asked if any member of the audience desired recognition; no one responded

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was no need to go into Executive Session

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Whalen called for a motion to adjourn. Council Member Winn so moved, with second from Council Member Huff and **unanimous approval of Council**, the time being 7:44 p.m.

APPROVED:


Diane E. Whalen, Mayor

ATTEST:


Erin M. Courts, City Clerk

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