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FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2013

The City Council of the City of Florence, Kentucky met in Regular Session on Tuesday, January 8, 2013 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 six (6) members of Council registered present: Mel Carroll, Gary Winn, J. Kelly Huff, Vice Mayor Dr. Julie Metzger Aubuchon, Larry Brown, and David A. Osborne.

Also present were Mayor Diane E. Whalen, City Coordinator Rick Lunnemann, City Attorney Hugh O. Skees, Business/Community Development Director Josh Wice, Finance Director Linda J. Chapman, Fire/EMS Chief Marc Muench, Police Chief Tom Szurlinski, Public Services Director Bob Townsend, City Engineer Bill Viox, Police Lieutenant Tom Grau, Public Services Inspector Dan Marsh, Abby Marsh, Pam McDonald of Time Warner, Attorney Jim Parsons, Sam Michaels, Paul Michaels, Videographers Tim Aubrey & Tom Lape, Kentucky Enquirer Reporter Mark Hansel, Florence Recorder Reporter Justin Duke, and City Clerk Joe Christofield.

ABBY MARSH UPDATE:

Mayor Whalen recognized Public Services Inspector Dan Marsh who gave a brief update on the condition of his daughter, Abby. Additional discussion followed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

December 11, 2012 Business Meeting

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2012 business meeting of Council. Councilmember Winn so moved, with second from Councilmember Brown. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

December 18, 2012 Special Meeting

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2012 special meeting of Council. Councilmember Osborne so moved, with second from Councilmember Brown. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

Discussion & Possible Action:

Amending Ordinance O-1-09 Establishing the Date and Time for Regular Florence Planning and Zoning Committee Meetings

Mayor Whalen advised of the need to change the date and time for the City's Planning and Zoning Committee meetings. Additional discussion followed.

FIRST READING:

Ordinance No. O-1-13

Mayor Whalen presented the following Ordinance for first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. O-1-13:
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 0-02-01, RELATING TO TIMES AND PLACES FOR REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE TO CHANGE THE DATE OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE.

Mayor Whalen read aloud the following summary of the Ordinance:

This Ordinance changes the date and time of the official regular meeting of the Planning and Zoning Committee of the City Council to the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve Ordinance No. O-1-13 on first reading. Councilmember Carroll moved, with second from Vice Mayor Metzger Aubuchon, that Ordinance No. O-1-13 be approved on first reading and be held for second and final reading at the next meeting of Council. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

Discussion & Possible Action:

Time Warner Cable Franchise Extension

Mayor Whalen recognized Pam McDonald of Time Warner and Attorney Jim Parsons who discussed the extension of the City's Time Warner Cable Franchise. Additional discussion followed.

RESOLUTION:

Resolution No. R-1-3

Mayor Whalen presented the following Resolution for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-1-13:
A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN EXTENSION THE CITY FRANCHISE FOR A CABLE SYSTEM HELD BY INSIGHT KENTUCKY PARTNERS II, L.P., A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF TIME WARNER CABLE INC., UNTIL AUGUST 26, 2016.

Councilmember Winn moved, with second from Vice Mayor Metzger Aubuchon, that Resolution R-1-13 be approved as reviewed. **Roll Call Vote: Councilmembers Carroll, Winn, Metzger Aubuchon, Brown, and Osborne voted "Yes"; Councilmember Huff abstained from voting. Council approved by unanimous vote.**

Discussion & Possible Action:

Approving the Appointments to the Northern Kentucky Regional Ethics Authority Enforcement Committee

Mayor Whalen advised of the need to reappoint members to the Northern Kentucky Regional Ethics Authority Enforcement Committee. Additional discussion followed.

MUNICIPAL ORDER:

Municipal Order No. MO-1-13

Mayor Whalen presented the following Municipal Order for consideration:

MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. MO-1-13:
A MUNICIPAL ORDER ACCEPTING THE REAPPOINTMENTS OF MARCUS CAREY, DANIEL CRIPE, DARRYL CUMMINS, ROBERT F. GREENE, MARY K. MOLLOY, CAROLYN LAINHART, AND TOM QUIRK AS MEMBERS OF THE NORTHERN KENTUCKY REGIONAL ETHICS AUTHORITY ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM, EXPIRING ON JANUARY 31, 2015.

Councilmember Carroll moved, with second from Councilmember Brown, that Municipal Order No. MO-1-13 be approved as reviewed. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Diane E. Whalen

Mayor Whalen advised of the City's annual Christmas Tree curbside pickup program, scheduled for Wednesday, January 9.

Mayor Whalen advised of the City's annual Christmas Tree recycling program, scheduled for Saturday, January 12 at Southfork Park.

Mayor Whalen advised of the City's annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Program, scheduled for Monday, January 21 at 3pm at the Florence Government Center.

CITY COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

City Coordinator Richard J. Lunnemann

City Coordinator Lunnemann advised of the Kentucky League of Cities City Day/Night, scheduled for Wednesday, February 20 in Frankfort.

OTHER:

Mayor Whalen asked if any councilmember desired recognition; Councilmember Brown advised of the upcoming OKI meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 10.

Councilmember Winn advised of the recent Kentucky Transportation Department survey regarding demographics, transportation needs and desires, and funding options.

Mayor Whalen welcomed new City Councilmember J. Kelly Huff back to Council.

Mayor Whalen recognized Boy Scout Sam Michaels who was in attendance along with his father, Paul, and working on his Citizenship in the Community and First Class Scout Badges.

Mayor Whalen asked if any department head desired recognition; no one responded.

Mayor Whalen asked if anyone in the audience desired recognition; no one responded.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was no need for City Council to go into Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Whalen called for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Carroll so moved, with second from Councilmember Winn, and **unanimous approval of Council,** the time being 7:20 p.m.

APPROVED:

Diane E. Whalen

Diane E. Whalen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joseph A. Christofield, City Clerk

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