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FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2012

The City Council of the City of Florence, Kentucky met in Regular Session on Tuesday, November 27, 2012 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, Patricia Wingo, 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, Police Lieutenant Steve Butts, Florence Freedom Owner Clint Brown, Tony Pastura (Boone County Alternative School Principal), Kathy Reutman (Boone County Alternative School Executive Director of Student Services), Ronda Dawson (Boone County Alternative School Instructor), Girl Scout Troop 1350 (Erpenbeck, Mann, New Haven), J. Kelly Huff, Videographer Jerry Schrepfer, Kentucky Enquirer Reporter Mark Hansel, Florence Recorder Reporter Justin Duke, and City Clerk Joe Christofield.

UPDATE:

Florence Freedom

Mayor Whalen recognized Florence Freedom Owner Clint Brown who gave a brief update regarding the baseball team (stadium naming rights to UC Health for 10 years, 3-year contract extension to manager Fran Riordan, and 2013 season tickets on sale). Additional discussion followed.

PRESENTATION:

Boone County Alternative School

Mayor Whalen recognized Boone County Alternative School Principal Tony Pastura who gave a brief presentation regarding the Boone County Schools Alternative Programs (Drop-In-Program). Additional discussion followed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

October 23, 2012 Business Meeting

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve the minutes of the October 23, 2012 business meeting of Council. Councilmember Winn so moved, with second from Councilmember Brown. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

FIRST READINGS:

Ordinance No. O-19-12

Mayor Whalen presented the following Ordinance for first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. O-19-12:
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, KENTUCKY, AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE 2012-2013 FISCAL YEAR OF THE CITY. (AMENDMENT #1)

Mayor Whalen read aloud the following summary of the Ordinance:

This Ordinance is an amendment to the fiscal year 2012-2013 Budget of the City. The purposes of this amendment are as follows: (a) to reflect changes in General Fund revenue relating to carryovers from FY 2012 projects for Mall Road, Turfway Road, and the Senior Center Grant; (b) to reflect changes in General Fund expenditures occasioned by adjustments for the amount of the carryover portion from FY 2012 for cruiser equipment, park projects, streetlights on Houston Road, Mall Road Phase 3, Turfway Road, and the Senior Center project; (c) to reflect a change in the infrastructure fund relating to carryovers from FY 2012 for street repair and storm sewer projects; and (d) adjusting all beginning fund balances to reflect actual amounts from the 2012 year end audit report.

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve Ordinance No. O-19-12 on first reading. Councilmember Carroll moved, with second from Vice Mayor Metzger Aubuchon, that Ordinance No. O-19-12 be approved on first reading and be held for second and final reading at the next meeting of Council. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

Ordinance No. O-20-12

Mayor Whalen presented the following Ordinance for first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. O-20-12:
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PRIOR ORDINANCES RELATING TO PERSONNEL POLICIES TO CREATE AN EMPLOYMENT POSITION OF TEMPORARY FIREFIGHTER/EMT AND ADOPT A JOB DESCRIPTION FOR THAT POSITION.

Mayor Whalen read aloud the following summary of the Ordinance:

This Ordinance amends prior Ordinances relating to personnel policies to create a new employment position of Temporary Firefighter/EMT.

The full text of Ordinance No. O-20-12, including its Exhibits, is available for examination in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Florence, Kentucky in the Florence Government Center, 8100 Ewing Boulevard, Florence, Kentucky, during regular office hours.

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve Ordinance No. O-20-12 on first reading. Councilmember Osborne moved, with second from Councilmember Carroll, that Ordinance No. O-20-12 be approved on first reading and be held for second and final reading at the next meeting of Council. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

MUNICIPAL ORDER:

Municipal Order No. MO-22-12

Mayor Whalen presented the following Municipal Order for consideration:

MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. MO-22-12:
A MUNICIPAL ORDER APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF LARRY BROWN TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF OHIO, KENTUCKY, AND INDIANA REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS FOR A ONE (1) YEAR TERM.

Councilmember Winn moved, with second from Vice Mayor Metzger Aubuchon, that Municipal Order No. MO-22-12 be approved as reviewed. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Diane E. Whalen

Mayor Whalen advised Boone County Schools Superintendent Randy Poe was named the Kentucky Superintendent of the Year.

Mayor Whalen advised of the City's annual Christmas Tree Lighting, scheduled for Tuesday, December 4 from 6-8pm at the Florence Government Center.

Mayor Whalen thanked Girl Scout Troop 1350 (Erpenbeck, Mann, New Haven) for attending the meeting.

Mayor Whalen advised of the City's annual United Ministries donation barrel located in the main lobby of the Florence Government Center.

Mayor Whalen advised of the City's annual Salvation Army Christmas Tree located in the main lobby of the Florence Government Center.

CITY COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

City Coordinator Richard J. Lunnemann

There was no report given by City Coordinator Lunnemann.

OTHER:

Mayor Whalen asked if any councilmember desired recognition; Vice Mayor Metzger Aubuchon congratulated Mayor Whalen on receiving the Elected Official of the Year Award by the Municipal Government League of Northern Kentucky.

Councilmember Carroll said the Christmas decorations along Mall Road were attractive.

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 7:23 p.m.

APPROVED:

Diane E. Whalen

Diane E. Whalen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joseph A. Christofield, City Clerk

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