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FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2014

The City Council of the City of Florence, Kentucky met in Regular Session on Tuesday, December 9, 2014 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 Richard J. Lunnemann, City Attorney Hugh O. Skees, Business/Community Development Director Joshua R. Wice, Finance Director Linda J. Chapman, Fire/EMS Chief Kelly Joe Aylor, Police Chief John McDermond, Public Services Director Eric Hall, City Engineer Bill Viox, Police Officer Mike Stanaland, Students from Ockerman Middle School, Ockerman Middle School Jazz Band Director Terry Wyatt, Boone County High School Executive Director of Student Services Kathy Reutman, State Representative Diane St. Onge, State Senator John Schickel, State Representative Sal Santoro, State Representative Addia Wuchner, State Representative Adam Koenig, Volunteer Firefighter James Duane, Volunteer Firefighter Glenn Laws, Volunteer Firefighter Thomas Miller, Fire/EMS Commander Elliott Cross, Scott Spicher, Laura Spicher, Chris Coors from The Artists' Brush, Duane Froelicher, WXIX Channel 19 Cameraman, Videographer Jerry Schrepfer, Videographer Tom Lape, and City Clerk Joe Christofield.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

October 28, 2014 Business Meeting

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve the minutes of the October 28, 2014 business meeting of Council. Councilmember Winn so moved, with second from Councilmember Huff. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

PRESENTATION:

Ockerman Middle School Jazz Band (Terry Wyatt, Jazz Band Director)

Mayor Whalen recognized Ockermann Middle School Jazz Band Director Terry Wyatt who introduced the jazz band which performed two songs. Additional discussion followed.

LEGISLATORS:

Mayor Whalen recognized State Representative Diane St. Onge, State Senator John Schickel, State Representative Sal Santoro, State Representative Addia Wuchner, and State Representative Adam Koenig who spoke regarding the fight against heroin use in Northern Kentucky. Additional discussion followed.

OATH OF OFFICE:

Volunteer Firefighters James Duane, Glenn Laws, and Thomas Miller

Mayor Whalen recognized Fire/EMS Chief Kelly Joe Aylor who introduced new Volunteer Firefighters James Duane, Glenn Laws, and Thomas Miller. Mayor Whalen gave the Oath of Office to the volunteer firefighters. Additional discussion followed.

PRESENTATION:

Inaugural Honor Run Half Marathon Check Presentation (Scott Spicher)

Mayor Whalen recognized Scott Spicher who spoke regarding the Inaugural Honor Run Half Marathon which also included a check presentation. Additional discussion followed.

PRESENTATION:

Holidays on Main Christmas Celebration (Chris Coors, The Artists' Brush)

Mayor Whalen recognized Chris Coors from The Artists' Brush who spoke regarding the Holidays on Main Christmas Celebration. Additional discussion followed.

FIRST READINGS:

Ordinance No. O-26-14

Mayor Whalen presented the following Ordinance for first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. O-26-14:
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, KENTUCKY, AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE 2014-2015 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 2014-2015 Budget of the City. The purposes of this amendment are as follows: (a) to reflect a change in General Fund revenue relating to JAG Grant received by the Police Department; (b) to reflect changes in General Fund expenditures including an increase in the Administration Budget for fixed assets software; (c) a decrease in the Fire Department Budget to correct a typo in the long/short term disability line; (d) an increase in the Public Services Budget to deal with a backup battery issue, the carry over for the mud jack machine, and the decrease related to the Houston Road lights; (e) Fire Budget is increased by carryovers from FY 2014 for the extractor/dryer and office furniture; (f) General Fund expenditures have been adjusted for the amount of the carryover from FY 2014 relating to the Fire Substation, the Stadium improvements, CMAQ Turn Lane, Wayfinding Signs and the Main Street/Turfway project; (g) to reflect a change in Aquatic Fund expenditures relating to the sewer meter reading from SD1; and, (h) all beginning fund balances have been adjusted per the ending fund balances amount from the June 30, 2014 year-end audit report.

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve Ordinance No. O-26-14 on first reading. Councilmember Carroll moved, with second from Vice Mayor Metzger Aubuchon, that Ordinance No. O-26-14 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-27-14

Mayor Whalen presented the following Ordinance for first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. O-27-14:
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PRIOR ORDINANCES RELATING TO PERSONNEL POLICIES AND JOB DESCRIPTION. (FIRE/EMS DEPARTMENT)

Mayor Whalen read aloud the following summary of the Ordinance:

The purpose of this Ordinance is to make alterations to the Minimum Qualifications section of the Fire/EMS Department Job Descriptions for the following positions: Fire/EMS Assistant Chief, Fire/EMS Commander, and Fire/EMS Captain.

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve Ordinance No. O-27-14 on first reading. Councilmember Winn moved, with second from Councilmember Huff, that Ordinance No. O-27-14 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-28-14

Mayor Whalen presented the following Ordinance for first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. O-28-14:
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. O-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 Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve Ordinance No. O-28-14 on first reading. Vice Mayor Metzger Aubuchon moved, with second from Councilmember Winn, that Ordinance No. O-28-14 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 ORDERS:

Municipal Order No. MO-11-14

Mayor Whalen presented the following Municipal Order for consideration:

MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. MO-11-14:
A MUNICIPAL ORDER APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF KIM ALLEN BUNGER TO THE BOONE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION AS AN APPOINTEE OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, KENTUCKY FOR A FOUR (4) YEAR TERM.

Councilmember Winn moved, with second from Vice Mayor Metzger Aubuchon, that Municipal Order No. MO-11-14 be approved as reviewed. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

Municipal Order No. MO-12-14

Mayor Whalen presented the following Municipal Order for consideration:

MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. MO-12-14:
A MUNICIPAL ORDER APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM "CHARLIE" REYNOLDS TO THE BOONE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION AS AN APPOINTEE OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, KENTUCKY FOR A FOUR (4) YEAR TERM.

Councilmember Brown moved, with second from Councilmember Osborne, that Municipal Order No. MO-12-14 be approved as reviewed. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Diane E. Whalen

Mayor Whalen advised of Holidays on Main Christmas Celebration, scheduled for Saturday, December 13 from noon-6pm.

Mayor Whalen advised of the Florence Community Band and Chorus concert, scheduled for Saturday, December 13 at 2pm at the Florence Government Center.

Mayor Whalen advised the City's last scheduled leaf pickup date is Friday, December 12.

CITY COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

City Coordinator Richard J. Lunnemann

There was no report given by City Coordinator Richard J. Lunnemann.

OTHER:

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

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:

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to go into **Executive Session** pursuant to K.R.S. 61.810 (1)(c) Litigation-Proposed or Pending against or on behalf of the city. Councilmember Huff so moved, with second from Vice Mayor Metzger Aubuchon and **unanimous approval of Council**, the time being 8:09 p.m.

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to come back into session after the **Executive Session** pursuant to K.R.S. 61.810 (1)(c) Litigation-Proposed or Pending against or on behalf of the city. Councilmember Winn so moved, with second from Councilmember Osborne and **unanimous approval of Council**, the time being 8:19 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Whalen called for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Osborne so moved, with second from Councilmember Carroll, and **unanimous approval of Council**, the time being 8:19 p.m.

APPROVED:

Diane E. Whalen

Diane E. Whalen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joseph A. Christofield, City Clerk

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