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FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, JULY 9, 2013

The City Council of the City of Florence, Kentucky met in Regular Session on Tuesday, July 9, 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 four (4) members of Council registered present: Gary Winn, Vice Mayor Dr. Julie Metzger Aubuchon, Larry Brown, and David A. Osborne. Absent were Mel Carroll and J. Kelly Huff.

Also present were Mayor Diane E. Whalen, City Attorney Hugh O. Skees, Business/Community Development Director Joshua R. Wice, Finance Director Linda J. Chapman, Fire/EMS Chief Marc Muench, Police Chief John McDermond, Public Services Director Bob Townsend, City Engineer Bill Viox, Police Lieutenant Tom Grau, Public Services Project Coordinator Eric Hall, Senator John Schickel, Senator Chris McDaniel, Ken Schmitt, Janine Schmitt, Wally Whalen, Elliot Dowdell, Florence Recorder Reporter Melissa Stewart, Videographer Jerry Schrepfer, Videographer Tom Lape, and City Clerk Joe Christofield.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

June 25, 2013 Business Meeting

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2013 business meeting of Council. Councilmember Winn so moved, with second from Councilmember Brown. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

PRESENTATIONS:

Senator John Schickel

Mayor Whalen recognized Senator John Schickel who presented City Attorney Hugh O. Skees with a Senate Citation in memory of Patricia Deanna Skees. Additional discussion followed.

Senator Chris McDaniel

Mayor Whalen recognized Senator Chris McDaniel who presented Ken Schmitt of Florence with a framed certificate naming him a Commissioned Colonel on the staff of Governor Steven Beshear of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Additional discussion followed.

PROCLAMATION:

National Parks & Recreation Month

Mayor Whalen read aloud a proclamation declaring the month of July 2013 as *National Parks & Recreation Month* in the City of Florence.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Diane E. Whalen

Mayor Whalen advised of the City's next Neighborhood Night Out, scheduled for Tuesday, July 16 from 5-7pm at Florence Elementary School (parking lot).

OTHER:

Mayor Whalen asked if any councilmember desired recognition; Councilmember Winn thanked Public Services Director Bob Townsend, Parks & Recreation Administrator Vanessa Lenear, and the Public Services Department regarding the City's annual Independence Day event.

Mayor Whalen asked if any department head desired recognition; Fire/EMS Chief Marc Muench announced the Department was in the process of a Volunteer Recruitment Drive.

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)(g) Discussion between the City and representatives of a business entity-where open discussions would jeopardize the siting, retention, expansion, or upgrading of the business and (1)(f) Appointment, Discipline, or Dismissal of Personnel. Vice Mayor Metzger Aubuchon so moved, with second from Councilmember Winn and **unanimous approval of Council**, the time being 7:21 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)(g) Discussion between the City and representatives of a business entity-where open discussions would jeopardize the siting, retention, expansion, or upgrading of the business and (1)(f) Appointment, Discipline, or Dismissal of Personnel. Vice Mayor Metzger Aubuchon so moved, with second from Councilmember Winn and **unanimous approval of Council**, the time being 8:10 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Whalen called for a motion to adjourn. Vice Mayor Metzger Aubuchon so moved, with second from Councilmember Winn, and **unanimous approval of Council,** the time being 8:10 p.m.

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APPROVED:

Diane E. Whalen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joseph A. Christofield, City Clerk