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FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES – SPECIAL MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2013

The City Council of the City of Florence, Kentucky met in Special Session on Tuesday, December 17, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Florence Government Center with Mayor Diane E. Whalen presiding in the Chair.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Whalen called the special meeting to order and declared the Special Session to be open for the presentation of all City business on the Special Meeting Agenda.

ROLL CALL:

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

Also present were Mayor Diane E. Whalen, City Coordinator Rick Lunnemann, Business/Community Development Director Josh Wice, City Attorney Hugh O. Skees, Finance Director Linda J. Chapman, Fire/EMS Chief Marc Muench, Police Chief John McDermond, Public Services Director Eric Hall, Police Lieutenant Tom Grau, Administrative Assistant Donna Smith, Bravo "Renegade" Company, 2nd Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Girl Scout Troop 7040 (Leader Juli McLaren, Co-Leader Jennifer Strouse, Members Autumn Baker, Maleah Lehmkuhl, Kammie LeVine, Laila McLaren, Olivia Strouse), Senator John Schickel, Kentucky League of Cities Legislative Liaison Tyler Campbell, Public Services Project Manager Peter Glenn, Pamela Osborne, WXIX Fox 19 cameraman, Videographer Jerry Schrepfer, Videographer Tom Lape, Kentucky Enquirer Reporter Mark Hansel, and City Clerk Joe Christofield.

RECOGNITION:

Bravo "Renegade" Company, 2nd Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault)

Mayor Whalen recognized members of Bravo "Renegade" Company, 2nd Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) as well as Girl Scout Troop 7040 Leader Juli McLaren and Co-Leader Jennifer Strouse and its members. Additional discussion followed.

PRESENTATION:

Kentucky League of Cities "Friend of Kentucky Cities" Award (Senator John Schickel)

Mayor Whalen recognized Kentucky League of Cities Legislative Liaison Tyler Campbell who presented Senator John Schickel with the KLC "Friend of Kentucky Cities" Award. Additional discussion followed.

PRESENTATION:

American Public Works Association Project Award (Florence Senior Activity Center Project)

Mayor Whalen recognized Project Manager Peter Glenn who announced the City of Florence had recently received the American Public Works Association Project Award for the Senior Activity Center. Additional discussion followed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

December 10, 2013 Business Meeting

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2013 business meeting of Council. Vice Mayor Metzger Aubuchon so moved, with second from Councilmember Winn. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

SECOND READING:

Ordinance No. O-19-13

Mayor Whalen presented the following Ordinance for second reading:

ORDINANCE NO. O-19-13:
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, KENTUCKY, AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE 2013-2014 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 2013-2014 Budget of the City. The purposes of this amendment are as follows: (a) to reflect changes in General Fund Expenditures for increases in the amount of the Management Partners study and the municipal building alteration account together with adjustments for the amount of the carryover portion from FY 2013 for Park projects, Fire Substation and related office furniture, CMAQ Turn Lane, Wayfinding Signs and the Main Street/Turfway project; (b) to reflect an increase in Infrastructure Fund Expenditures for highway/street repairs; (c) to reflect an increase in Aquatic Fund Expenditures for the re-coat of pool sides; and (d) to adjust all beginning fund balances to reflect the amounts per the June 30, 2013 year-end audit report.

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve Ordinance No. O-19-13 on second reading. Councilmember Carroll so moved with second from Councilmember Osborne, that Ordinance No. O-19-13 be approved on second reading and be published in accordance with the law. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING VARIOUS BOARD REAPPOINTMENTS

MUNICIPAL ORDERS:

Municipal Order No. MO-13-13

Mayor Whalen presented the following Municipal Order for consideration:

MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. MO-13-13:
A MUNICIPAL ORDER APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF TIMOTHY PIEPER TO THE FLORENCE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS AND ZONING APPEALS FOR A FOUR (4) YEAR TERM.

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

Municipal Order No. MO-14-13

Mayor Whalen presented the following Municipal Order for consideration:

MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. MO-14-13:
A MUNICIPAL ORDER APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF LINDA SCHAFFER TO THE FLORENCE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS AND ZONING APPEALS FOR A FOUR (4) YEAR TERM.

Councilmember Brown moved, with second from Vice Mayor Metzger Aubuchon, that Municipal Order No. MO-14-13 be approved as reviewed. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

Municipal Order No. MO-15-13

Mayor Whalen presented the following Municipal Order for consideration:

MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. MO-15-13:
A MUNICIPAL ORDER APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF LARRY BROWN TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE OHIO, KENTUCKY, AND INDIANA REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS FOR A ONE YEAR TERM.

Councilmember Winn moved, with second from Councilmember Osborne, that Municipal Order No. MO-15-13 be approved as reviewed. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ACCEPTANCE OF AN AFG-SAFER GRANT FOR THE FLORENCE FIRE/EMS DEPARTMENT

MOTION:

Accepting the AFG-SAFER Grant for the Florence Fire/EMS Department

Vice Mayor Metzger Aubuchon moved, with second from Councilmember Osborne, accepting the AFG-SAFER Grant for the Florence Fire/EMS Department. Roll Call Vote: Councilmembers Winn, Metzger Aubuchon, and Osborne voted yes; Councilmembers Carroll and Brown voted no; Councilmember Huff was absent. **Council approved by a 3-2 vote.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to adjourn the Special Meeting. Councilmember Carroll so moved, with second from Vice Mayor Metzger Aubuchon, and **unanimous approval of Council**, the time being 7:39 p.m.

APPROVED:

Diane E. Whalen

Diane E. Whalen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joseph A. Christofield, City Clerk

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