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Regular Council Meeting Minutes August 28, 2023 - 6:00 pm

The regular meeting of the Crescent Springs City Council was called to order by Mayor Mike Daugherty at 6:00 pm. Mike Daugherty began the meeting with a prayer followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Roll call showed the following council members present – Jeannine Bell Smith, Mark Wurtenberger, Don Kiely, Bill Schult, Brian Barclay and Carol McGowan. Also present were City Clerk April Robinson, City Administrator Mike Daly and Attorney Joe Baker. City Attorney Mike Baker was on vacation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

July 24, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes

Bill Schult made a motion to approve the minutes of the **July 24, 2023 Council Meeting. Jeannine Bell Smith** seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken.

Jeannine Bell Smith	Yes
Mark Wurtenberger	Yes
Don Kiely	Yes
Carol McGowan	Yes
Bill Schult	Yes
Brian Barclay	Abstained

Motion passed 6-0.

July 27, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes

Carol McGowan made a motion to approve the minutes of the **July 27, 2023 Special Meeting. Bill Schult** seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken.

Jeannine Bell Smith	Yes
Mark Wurtenberger	Yes
Don Kiely	Yes
Carol McGowan	Yes
Bill Schult	Yes
Brian Barclay	Abstained

Motion passed 6-0.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Daugherty stated staffing of the fire department needed to be discussed with Chief Wendt's report.

FIRE AUTHORITY REPORT

The July Fire Authority report was distributed to council. Chief Wendt reported the following:

160 squad calls, 730 TYD

46 fire calls, 331 YTD

Chief Wendt stated the department is having issues with staffing. Volunteers are trained by the department and then they are being hired by full time departments. Chief Wendt is struggling to cover shifts and this is creating a lot of overtime. The department would like to get both cities finance committees together to discuss hiring full time paramedics.

The department would like to start by hiring four paramedics; one to cover each shift and one to cover kelly days. To be fully staffed at full time the department would need seven paramedics and fifteen fireman/EMT's.

POLICE REPORT

The July Police report was distributed to council. Chief Matt Hall reported the following:

1809 Calls for service

10 Crime reports

25 Accident reports

148 Citations

44 Courtesy notices

5 E-call responses

4 JC3's

Detective Lucas is currently working a case that will result in federal charges involving a business in Crescent Springs.

There were two fires in Villa Hills that were investigated. One was on Rogers road and involved a battery on a lawnmower. The other involved a battery in a vehicle. Arson was ruled out in both cases.

Officer Dooley and his K-9 had ten deployments during the month. Seven were in the city and three were outside of the city.

There was 50.5 hours of overtime for the month. 20.5 was for a highway safety grant. The department is reimbursed these hours through the grant. Seven hours were due to court cases and sixteen were due to the fire investigations.

The department K-9 received his recertification.

Northern Kentucky is still seeing vehicle break-ins and thefts. Chief Hall reminded everyone to look the doors to their vehicles and make sure all items are removed including keys.

The Tunnel 2 Towers 5K race will be September 16th. There will be road closures from 8 to 10:30am.

Two new cars were ordered in August. The department received VIN numbers for these vehicles as well as a build date.

The department lost an officer in July. He went back to his previous employer. David Boggs from the city of Warsaw has been hired. He is also a retired Covington officer.

CITY ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Opioid Settlement Fund

Mike Daly stated he would be attending an Opioid Settlement Fund meeting Tuesday, August 29th at 1pm.

Z21 Process

He will also be meeting with Patrick Denbow, PDS on Tuesday, August 29th at 2pm to discuss where the working group stands with the Z21 Process.

Text Amendment

On Thursday, September 7th at 6:15 Mr. Daly will be presenting to the Kenton County Planning Commission regarding a text amendment which will increase the amount of paved area permitted within a front yard based on a percentage of the total lot size.

Police Contract and ILA Discussion

Mr. Daly met with City Attorney, Mike Baker two weeks ago to discuss the ILA draft for police services. Mr. Baker has reviewed and signed off on the draft ILA. The next step is for Villa Hills and Crescent Springs to meet as a working group for final approval at which time it will be presented to both cities councils.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

The Public Works Report was distributed to council. Tonya Miller reported the following: No parking signs have been installed on Harris and Ireland and yellow no parking lines have been painted. Riegler Blacktop has completed blacktopping Cherry, Terra Cotta and Scott. They also patched the area on Eubanks where the rail project was completed.

The house at 2536 Enid Ave will be demolished beginning August 28, 2023 by Selhorst Equipment Services.

A no outlet sign has been placed at the beginning of Sierra to inform the public.

Crescent Point was shut down for a few days in order to cut back vegetation for sight distance and the brush off the sidewalk.

Kenton County cut back all the sight distance on short Amsterdam Road.

The team placed a small shelter over the table at the basketball court in the park.

Tonya Miller researched the park area under the trees by the Veterans Memorial. It is possible to place two benches in the location and stay on city property.

The fence at the City Building was fixed by the adjacent property owner whose tree fell on it.

The playground group met with Josh Wagner with Miracle, and Amy Riddle with Bluegrass. They both designed a playground for the city. The group will meet soon to discuss.

The Woodhill sidewalk project bid opening was on August 15, 2023. The city received a letter of recommendation from Greg Sketch, City Engineer. The firm recommends TMC Construction Inc. for the project.

I have called Darren Martin at PDS regarding the dry detention basin behind Panera Bread. He is trying to get in contact with the property manager for an update. Mrs. Miller will give an update when she receives any information.

Greg Sketch, City Engineer and Tonya Miller have been in contact with Smith Inc. regarding the Croley Street drain project. Mrs. Miller hopes to have a start date soon.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

PDS Presentation of Walgreens Stage II development plan

Patrick Denbow presented the Walgreens Stage II development plan.

Attorney Joe Baker conducted the **First Reading of Ordinance 2023-11** approving PC2307-0001 Walgreen's Stage II development plan

Attorney Joe Baker conducted the **First Reading of Ordinance 2023-12** PROVIDING FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL TANGIBLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CRESCENT SPRINGS, KENTUCKY, AND LEVYING AN AD VALOREM TAX ON EACH ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) OF ASSESSED VALUATION OF SAID PROPERTY IN THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 AND SPECIFYING THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE TAX IS LEVIED

Attorney Joe Baker conducted the **Reading of Municipal Order 2023-15** AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH TMS CONSTRUCTION INC. ACCEPTING THE BID FOR THE WOODHILL COURT SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Brian Barclay made a motion to approve **Municipal Order 2023-15**. **Jeannine Bell Smith** seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken.

Jeannine Bell Smith	Yes
Mark Wurtenberger	Yes
Don Kiely	Yes
Carol McGowan	Abstained
Bill Schult	No
Brian Barclay	Yes

Motion passed 5-1.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

GUESTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Brian Barclay made a motion to adjourn. **Bill Schult** seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:07pm.

ATTESTED BY:

April C. Robinson, Clerk/Treasurer

Mike Daugherty, Mayor

Approved: _____