



MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

May 10, 2022, 6:30 PM

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Call to Order: The May 10, 2022, Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Keith Turman at 6:30 PM.

Attendance: Mayor Keith Turman, Mayor Pro Tem Lee Strickland, Kenneth Roach, Matt Fields, Wayne Braswell, David Pressley, Jason Phillips, City Attorney Andrea Grant, Interim City Manager Gary Fesperman, and City Clerk Sharleen Ayers.

Approval of All Outstanding Minutes: Wayne Braswell made a motion to approve the April 12, 2022, Work Session Minutes and the April 19, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes. Jason Phillips seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

Additions or Deletions to Agenda: Move Unfinished Business until after the Executive Session.

Approval of Agenda: Motion was made by Wayne Braswell to approve the agenda with changes. Motion was seconded by Matt Fields. Motion passed 6-0.

Main Street Update – Michael Crump: The Community Planning Session went well, although fewer attendees than we were hoping. Mr. Crump would like to have a planning session quarterly and to move them around the city to help with numbers and community input. The coloring contest winners, chosen by council before the meeting, will be notified by Mr. Crump. Friday 13th is the Ribbon cutting for Mad Tatters Tattoos at 12PM. Next week is our Third Thursday event and Artisan Walk. DDA will be hosting a Business After Hours from 5-7PM at Old Corner Hardware as a merchant's gathering event. Kelly Tamplin will have her AIRBNB rentals open for viewing. DDA will be presenting an award for Historic Preservation Month to recognize a business owner for preservation of a historic location in Royston. Royston Farmers Market will be from 7-12 on Saturday. Mainstreet Conference is next week.

New Business:

- A. **Resolution to recognize May as National Preservation Month: Mayor Keith Turman:** Jason Phillips made a motion to approve the Resolution. Kenneth Roach seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

B. Intergovernmental Agreement with Franklin County for Elections: Tabled pending a full review by the City Attorney.

C. Water & Sewer Rate Cost Analysis Work Order with Peoples & Quigley: Interim City Manager Gary Fesperman: Peoples & Quigley have submitted a work order to provide assistance with a 2022 Water Audit and Cost Analysis. This will assist in determining our water and sewerage system cost basis for determining new rates. Fee for the tasks is \$6,500. Completion is in 90 days pending approval of the work order. This was discussed in detail during the Work Session in April. Motion to accept the Work Order made by Matt Fields. Motion seconded by Jason Phillips. Matt Fields asked if this would help us determine what it cost to provide water and sewer. Mr. Fesperman confirmed it would do just that. Motion carried 6-0.

D. Janitorial Contract with Goodyear Cleaning Services: City Clerk Sharleen Ayers: Mayor Turman stated this was a contract with is for City Hall and the Library. Mrs. Ayers relayed to council that an RFP was sent out. The City Hall committee met and chose Goodyear Cleaning Services as the proposal they would like to accept. The contract will be to provide cleaning for City Hall for 475 monthly and the Library for \$600 monthly. The contract is for one year from date of signing. It will be up for renewal at the end of that year. Lee Strickland made a motion to accept the contract. Wayne Braswell seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Executive Session: Potential Litigation, Real Estate, and Personnel: Lee Strickland made a motion to enter executive session. Wayne Braswell seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0. Executive session entered at 6:46PM. Motion was made by Kenneth Roach to re-enter regular session. Motion was seconded by Wayne Braswell. Motion carried 6-0. Regular session was re-entered at 7:45 PM.

Unfinished Business:

A. Consider Proposal to Update Land Use Regulation, Zoning Regulations, and Impact Fees, and consider a Moratorium on Major Residential Development: Interim City Manager Gary Fesperman: Mr. Weitz had previously submitted a proposal to contract for service in regards to Updating regulations and other Planning and Zoning assistance. The City Attorney requested some changes. Mr. Fesperman recommended that council give him the authority to negotiate changes to the contract recommended by legal counsel. If necessary, council can call another meeting to make any further changes or discuss any problems Mr. Weitz might have with the changes. Jason Phillips made a motion to give Mr. Fesperman and Mayor Turman the authority to negotiate changes to the contract with Mr. Weitz. Kenneth Roach seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

B. Heritage Presbyterian Church Variance Request: City Attorney Andrea Grant: Item tabled in prior meeting. Heritage Presbyterian withdrew their variance request. Council was informed by the City Attorney they had an option to allow HPC to possess the building with a continuing non-conforming use so they would not have to re-file for a conditional use. Lee Strickland made a motion to clarify the future status of the property as a non-conforming use. Therefor no action is required by council as long as the use remains the same and the footprint is not enlarged. Wayne Braswell seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Adjourn: Lee Strickland made a motion to adjourn; Kenneth Roach seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:49PM.

Sharleen Ayers, City Clerk

Mayor Keith Turman

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