

**WILLIAMSTOWN CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
February 7, 2022
6:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Mayor Skinner; Kim Crupper; Ronnie Maines; Greg Middleton; Bob Perry; Gina Smith; Ronnie West; Jeff Shipp; and Vivian Link

ALSO PRESENT: Laura McClanahan; Logan Murphy

Mayor Skinner called the Meeting to order.

Mayor Skinner welcomed all in attendance and requested that all guests sign in.

Mayor Skinner requested all in attendance to stand and Pledge Allegiance to the American Flag.

INVOCATION: Kim Crupper

AUDIENCE RECOGNITION

Logan Murphy was present.

Corrections and Approval of Minutes for Regular Council Meeting of January 3, 2022

Bob Perry made the motion to approve the minutes for Regular Council Meeting of January 3, 2022. Ronnie Maines seconded the motion, and the vote was as follows:

Kim Crupper	yes	Ronnie Maines	yes
Greg Middleton	yes	Bob Perry	yes
Gina Smith	yes	Ronnie West	yes

All voted in favor. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. The next Special Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 15, beginning at 6 p.m.
- b. Presentation of clock to David Wilson (once he arrives)

NEW BUSINESS

First Reading of Ordinance 2022-01, Zone Change from Agricultural-One (A-1) to Industrial-One (I-1) for a 32.2-Acre Parcel Located at 450 South Main Street belonging to KAYCO Real Estate Holdings, LLC

As directed by Council, Jeff Shipp gave the First Reading of Ordinance 2022-01, Zone change from Agricultural-One (A-1) to Industrial-One (I-1) for a 32.2-Acre Parcel located at 450 South Main Street belonging to KAYCO Real Estate Holdings, LLC, in summary.

The property is being used by Geostabilization and will be used for storage of equipment and trucks. Logan Murphy stated that Geostabilization has been using it for years.

Presentation

At this time, Mayor Skinner presented, David Wilson, a clock in recognition of David's retirement. David worked for the City from 7/5/94 to 1/31/22. His dedication to the City was and is appreciated. David thanked everyone for the clock and stated it was a pleasure working for the City and serving the citizens.

First Reading of Ordinance 2022-02, Zone Change from Highway-Commercial (H-C) to Agricultural-One (A-1) for a 1.61-Acre Parcel Located at 118 Kentucky Highway 36 East belonging to Rodney L. and Celisa F. Edmondson that is Currently Being Purchased by Scott and Kelsey Yarberry via Land Contract

Corrected copy of Ordinance 2022-02 has been supplied to all with corrections being Neighborhood-Commercial (N-C) to Agricultural-One (A-1).

As directed by Council, Jeff Shipp gave the First Reading of Ordinance 2022-02, Zone Change from Neighborhood-Commercial (N-C) to Agricultural-One (A-1) for a 1.61-Acre Parcel Located at 118 Kentucky Highway 36 East belonging to Rodney L. and Celisa F. Edmondson that is Currently Being Purchased by Scott and Kelsey Yarberry via Land Contract, in summary.

Short-Term Vacation/Housing Rentals-Discussion

Council was presented a draft of an Ordinance establishing a Short-Term Vacation/Housing Rental Policy for discussion.

Laura McClanahan was present to explain and answer any questions. Ms. McClanahan stated there is public concern on the number of short-term rentals in the City. Complaints have been made about rental property not being available and concerns that there is no market for first time home buyers in the City. The proposed Ordinance would establish regulations and fees for the registration and use of short-term vacation/housing rentals in the City.

Short-term vacation/housing rental is defined as the rental of a residential dwelling unit for a period not to exceed 10 consecutive days. The first step would be to submit an application for the permit in which a fee of \$500 is required. For any subsequent periods, the fee would be \$250. Bob Perry asked what are the fees paid now. Laura stated they ranged from \$225 to \$350 currently. She also stated the existing short-term rentals would be grandfathered in for the yearly fee of \$250. Further discussion occurred.

Other items discussed were if the fees were to steep for the area. Property owners are already paying a Business License fee. The Business License fee is \$60.75 per year for one to nine rentals and can be pro-rated. Gina Smith believes in generating revenue to offset the expenses. Concerns of liability issues were discussed and discussion of who will be enforcing the requirements.

After further discussion, the fees for the initial permit period shall be \$250.00 and may be prorated. The fee for any subsequent permit period shall be \$150.00 per property address or \$250.00 per multi-unit property.

Erosion Control Ordinance-Discussion

Council was presented a Draft Erosion Control Ordinance for discussion.

Bob Perry asked if this is a state requirement and who is responsible to enforce it. Jeff Shipp stated the County Inspector would be required to enforce. Discussion occurred about building around the Lake. Erosion control needs to be enforced even if it's outside the City limits if it effects Lake Williamstown.

Site plans are required if altering elevations. Discussion occurred on the enforcement of this as well.

Superintendents' Reports to Council

Council was presented a monthly report by each Department Superintendent and Mayor Skinner.

Kim Crupper praised the Electric and Street Departments job they did during the recent ice storm.

Mayor Skinner reviewed his report to Council.

Adjourn

Ronnie Maines made the motion to adjourn. Gina Smith seconded the motion, and the vote was as follows:

Kim Crupper	yes	Ronnie Maines	yes
Greg Middleton	yes	Bob Perry	yes
Gina Smith	yes	Ronnie West	yes

All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Signed:

3/8/22

DATE

Vivian Link
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City Clerk/Treasurer

Rick Skinner
Rick Skinner, Mayor
City of Williamstown, Kentucky