

SPECIAL MEETING
Williamstown City Council
August 15, 2023
6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Christopher; John Coleman; Kim Crupper; Greg Middleton; Jayson Payne; Bob Perry; Gina Smith; Jeff Shipp and Vivian Link

ALSO PRESENT: John Philipppo; Hans Philipppo; Rick Willoby; Nate Adams; Betsy Smith; Mark Miller; Erikson Payne and Les Whalen

Mayor Christopher called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION: Kim Crupper

Reminders

*Free tire disposal/waste tire collection event:

August 17, 18, and 19 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

*All offices in City Building will be closed on Monday, September 4, for the Labor Day Holiday.

*Regular Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 5, at 6 p.m.

Mark Miller – SCADA for Aqua-Aerobic system at Wastewater Treatment Plant Discussion

Mark Miller was present to discuss the SCADA system at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. He explained the storm that went through in February, 2023, took out the computer needed for the SCADA system. An insurance claim was made but they did not cover the expense of the computer. Mark explained the computer is 12 years old and will cost \$36,950 to replace. Also, the actual SCADA System is now 12 years old as well. This system is a main component in operating the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Mark has concerns if just the computer is replaced and two months later should the actual SCADA system go down, the computer will not be compatible with the upgraded SCADA system. He is recommending to replace the computer and SCADA system at the cost of \$122,614. Mark Miller recommends that each Council Member come to the plant and tour the facility.

Mark stated that funds were available for this purchase with the revenue of the capacity fees received in July of this year. Discussion occurred about the age of the Wastewater Plant and how upgrades will be needed in the near future. Mayor Christopher stated he feels we need to be proactive and be prepared for the needed upgrades. It was stated the parking lot repaving could be addressed in next year's budget.

City Council consideration/approval for course of action to take regarding SCADA for Aqua-Aerobic system at Wastewater Treatment Plant

Jayson Payne made the motion to proceed with the purchase of the SCADA for the Aqua-Aerobic system at the Wastewater Treatment Plant in the amount of \$122,614. Greg Middleton seconded the motion, and the vote was as follows:

John Coleman	yes	Kim Crupper	yes
Greg Middleton	yes	Jayson Payne	yes
Bob Perry	yes	Gina Smith	yes

All voted in favor. Motion carried.

City Council consideration/approval for course of action to take regarding Enterprise Fleet Management

Mayor Christopher stated the contract with Enterprise Fleet Management has been discussed numerous times. He feels it is time to make a decision to proceed or not to proceed. Enterprise Fleet Management would like to replace 10 vehicles per year at the proposed cost of \$140,490 per year. Mayor Christopher opened the floor to hear City Council questions and concerns.

John Coleman expressed his concern on why the City can't manage their own fleet of vehicles. There is no need to pay someone else to manage this. Discussion occurred. Mayor Christopher stated that \$140,000 the first year and another \$140,000 the second year, and so on would be a tremendous amount of money for the service. Kim Crupper has concerns with interest rate of 8.1% on the financing. He believes a lower interest rate can be found for financing. All were in agreement that the Police Department were in great need of vehicles. Discussion occurred about the cost of police vehicles and the additional cost just to outfit the police vehicles. Discussion continued.

Kim Crupper made the motion to not enter into an agreement/contract with Enterprise Fleet Management. Greg Middleton seconded the motion, and the vote was as follows:

John Coleman	yes	Kim Crupper	yes
Greg Middleton	yes	Jayson Payne	yes
Bob Perry	yes	Gina Smith	yes

All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Brock MacKay of Viox & Viox Engineers presentation and question/answer session - Rising Water Cabin and RV Resort

Brock MacKay of Viox & Viox Engineers presented all with a handout to present an overview of the proposed development. It would include 336 acres and the property is between Barnes Road and Kentucky 36. Mr. MacKay explained the concept plan. There will be a RV & camping resort and a cabin resort. The traffic will be split with two entrances: One off Ky-36 for RVers, campers, and amenity/pool day pass holders and

another off Barnes Road for access to restaurant and cabin rentals. He stated the handout also includes character images of what is trying to be created.

Bob Perry asked if guests could bring their own tent or is just for RV's. Mr. MacKay stated that primitive camping, glamping, RV, or cabins would be available. Les Whalen from the audience recommends a fire hydrant every 500 feet versus 1,000 feet be implemented. Jeff Shipp asked what the timeline was. Mr. MacKay stated there are a lot of procedures to complete before construction begins. Greg Middleton asked what kind of roads there would be in the development. Mr. MacKay stated there would be paved roads. Discussion continued about traffic congestion on Ky 36 and its effects.

First Reading of Ordinance 2023-12, Zone Change for PFLP, LLC, (Rising Waters Cabin and RV Resort) for 336.37-acre tract located on Kentucky Highway 36 West from Residential-One (R-1) and Agricultural-One (A-1) to Residential-Four (R-4)

As directed by Council, Jeff Shipp gave the First Reading of Ordinance 2023-12, Zone Change for PFLP, LLC, (Rising Waters Cabin and RV Resort) for 336.37-acre tract located on Kentucky Highway 36 West from Residential-One (R-1) and Agricultural-One (A-1) to Residential-Four (R-4), in summary. Jeff Shipp stated the minutes from the Grant County Planning Commission was supplied as a supplement to the Ordinance.

City Council consideration/approval to renew Emergency Water Supply Contract between City of Williamstown and Pendleton County Water District

Mayor Christopher stated many years ago Pendleton County flooded and an emergency water supply was made with the City. This contract expired in 2021. Pendleton County would like to renew this emergency contract. Kim Crupper stated the original contract was a 20 year term. Some discussion occurred.

City Council consideration/approval to request Pendleton County Water District to file the Emergency Water Supply Contract between the City of Williamstown and Pendleton County Water District with the Public Service Commission

Bob Perry made the motion to approve to request Pendleton County Water District to file the Emergency Water Supply Contract between the City of Williamstown and Pendleton County Water District with the Public Service Commission. John Coleman seconded the motion, and the vote was as follows:

John Coleman	yes	Kim Crupper	yes
Greg Middleton	yes	Jayson Payne	yes
Bob Perry	yes	Gina Smith	yes

All voted in favor. Motion carried.

At this time, Greg Middleton questioned if a motion was needed on item 10 on the agenda. Jeff Shipp stated yes.

Greg Middleton made the motion to approve to renew Emergency Water Supply Contract between City of Williamstown and Pendleton County Water District. Gina Smith seconded the motion, and the vote was as follows:

John Coleman	yes	Kim Crupper	yes
Greg Middleton	yes	Jayson Payne	yes
Bob Perry	yes	Gina Smith	yes

All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Superintendents' Reports to Council

Council was presented a brief report from the Mayor and each Department Superintendent. Les Whalen spoke from the audience stating that the Fire Department has been awarded \$41,000 for SCBA equipment. Discussion about the Marina ramp repair and where the funding will come from. Further discussion occurred on what the monthly rent is for the Marina. Further discussion occurred.

Discussion about paddlefish in Williamstown Lake took place. There was discussion if the City will receive any revenue from the removal of the paddlefish. Discussion continued.

Adjourn

Jayson Payne made the motion to adjourn. John Coleman seconded the motion, and the vote was as follows:

John Coleman	yes	Kim Crupper	yes
Greg Middleton	yes	Jayson Payne	yes
Bob Perry	yes	Gina Smith	yes

All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Signed:

9-6-23

DATE

Vivian Link

Vivian Link
City Clerk/Treasurer

Mark Christopher

Mark Christopher, Mayor
City of Williamstown, Kentucky



