

**WILLIAMSTOWN CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING
February 5, 2024
6:00 P.M.**

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

ALSO PRESENT: Rick Willoby; Brian Miles; Tom Hutchins; Les Whalen; Paula Burton Jones; Debby Lucas Angel; Joe Montgomery; Lynne Arnold; R. Darlene West; and Paul Maddox

Mayor Christopher called the Meeting to order.

Mayor Christopher welcomed all in attendance and requested all to sign in.

Mayor Christopher requested all to stand and Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION: Greg Middleton

CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETINGS OF JANUARY 8, 2024, AND JANUARY 16, 2024

Jayson Payne made the motion to approve the minutes for the Special Council Meetings of January 8, 2024, and January 16, 2024, as presented. 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. The next Special Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, beginning at 6 p.m.
- b. Mayor Christopher informed Council, a Williamstown Volunteer Fire Fighter had received injuries from a house fire on 1/30/24 and is recovering.
- c. The Williamstown Kiwanis Auction has been postponed to Saturday, 2/10/24.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

City Council Motion to bring off of table consideration/approval of SCBA (Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus) Bid

Jayson Payne made the motion to bring off of table, consideration/approval of SCBA (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) Bid. 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 of SCBA (Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus) Bid

Fire Chief Les Whalen was present. He stated the City has received a federal grant to assist with the funding. Les Whalen stated there were two bids received. He is recommending to go with 911 Fleet Fire Equipment in the amount of \$27,825 for 5 packs and face masks. The SCBA bottles would be \$6,900. The total would be \$34,725.00. Some discussion occurred.

Kim Crupper made the motion to approve the bid received from 911 Fleet Fire Equipment in the amount of \$27,825 and \$6,900 for the SCBA Bottles. Bob Perry 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.

NEW BUSINESS

Presentation by Paul Maddox and Associates-2022/2023 Fiscal Year Audit

Paul Maddox presented Council the 2022/2023 Audit along with some graphs. He further stated the audit was a clean audit and there are no instances of noncompliance with laws, regulations, contracts, or grant agreements. He reviewed the graphs provided and answered any questions Mayor and Council may have.

Gina Smith made the motion to approve the 2022/2023 Fiscal Year Audit. 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.

Derek Sublette – Norfolk Southern Presentation Discussion/Decision

Derek Sublette was present. He stated the Cherry Grove Road Railroad Bridge is out of service and has been for quite some time. The bridge has structural conditions and does not meet the height requirement. Mr. Sublette would like to partner with the City to demolish the bridge at Norfolk Southern’s expense. He further stated they are willing to pay the City \$100,000. A Resolution and Contract would be required. Further discussion occurred. City Attorney, Frank Wichmann, stated an Ordinance would also be required due to it being a road.

John Coleman stated he would like the \$100,000 to be delegated to the parks, if possible.

Presentation by Joe Montgomery of Patriots Landing – Discussion of Banners

Joe Montgomery was present. He would like to renew the contract/agreement with the City, since it has been three years. The price of the banners are \$149. John Coleman mentioned how the poles the banners are being placed on are snapping and if there were other options. Kim Crupper stated there are wooden poles that are available. Discussion occurred.

Greg Middleton stated that all support the Project. Mr. Montgomery informed Mayor and Council of some of the events that will be happening.

Adjourn

John Coleman made the motion to adjourn. 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.

Signed:

3-5-24
DATE

Vivian Link
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City Clerk/ Treasurer

Mark Christopher
Mark Christopher, Mayor
City of Williamstown, Kentucky