

MINUTES OF THE ELSMERE CITY COUNCIL

April 12, 2022

6:30 PM

LOCATION: Elsmere Senior Center, 179 Dell Avenue, Elsmere, KY 41018.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Lenhof called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: The following members were present: Mayor Marty Lenhof, Councilwoman Gloria Grubbs, Councilwoman Nancy Bowman, Councilman Aaron Moore, Councilman Malcolm Daniels, Councilwoman Joanne Barnett Smith, and Councilwoman Lisa Mitchell

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

Melanie Ceballos
Lessli Recinos
Masen Miller

Dolmara Engleman
Ezequiel Bautista
Nkyah Goldsby

Denise Holman
Noora Lafi
Amy Moctezuma Perez

Sjonte Campbell
Isabelle Rodriguez

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilwoman Barnett Smith made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2022, Council Meeting. Councilman Moore seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Councilwoman Grubbs made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2022, Caucus Meeting. Councilwoman Bowman seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. **Motion carried and so ordered.**

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Public Works Director Chris Zerhusen summarized items in his written report to Council

Police Chief Joe Maier submitted a written report.

City Attorney Greg Voss gave a brief report on the legal items that he has been working on for the city.

Parks and Recreation Director Denise Donahue reported that Bowling event was a success. During the month she has been working on items for student government month. She has been working on the 2022 parks and recreation budget and planning the summer events. The next event for the city will be the annual Easter Egg hunt on April 9th.

Councilwoman Mitchell made a motion to approve the Administrative Reports. Councilwoman Grubbs seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. **Motion carried and so ordered.**

City Administrator's Report stated that he has been working with the industrial park developers on the expansion of the industrial park. The New Buffington building which is building one is very close to being finished and the company will be moving in and start operating in the coming months. The walls on the building on the Harrison property, which is building two are starting to go up. And the earth building 3 is continuing.

A large number of code enforcement citations have been issued in the past couple of months. He reminded the residents to keep their grass mowed and property clean.

The City Building construction pace has picked up quickly, the windows have been installed and the interior of the building is quickly coming together.

The budget process is continuing.

Mayor's Report Mayor Marty Lenhof

GENERAL ITEMS:

Municipal Order 7-2022 – Approving use of ARPA Funds for the Elsmere Fire District

City Finance Officer/Treasurer read in summary the Order. Councilwoman Barnett Smith made a motion to accept Order 7-2022 as read. Councilman Moore seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. **Vote: 6-0. Motion carried and so ordered.**

Municipal Order 9-2022 – Approving use of ARPA Funds for the New City Building/Police Station Soft Costs

City Finance Officer/Treasurer read in summary the Order. Councilwoman Grubbs made a motion to accept Order 9-2022 as read. Councilman Daniels seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. **Vote: 6-0. Motion carried and so ordered.**

Municipal Order 10-2022 – Approving Micro-Purchase Threshold

City Finance Officer/Treasurer read in summary the Order. Councilman Moore made a motion to accept Order 10-2022 as read. Councilwoman Grubbs seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. **Vote: 6-0. Motion carried and so ordered.**

Resolution 4-2022 – Approving Change Order

City Finance Officer/Treasurer read in summary the Resolution. Councilman Daniels made a motion to accept Resolution 4-2022 as read. Councilwoman Mitchell seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. **Vote: 6-0. Motion carried and so ordered.**

Ordinance 1811-2022 – Budget Amendment

Attorney Greg Voss Read in Summary Ordinance 1811-2022 for the Second reading

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF ELSMERE, KENTUCKY
BUDGET ORDINANCE NUMBER 1803-2021 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
JULY 1, 2021, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022.**

Councilwoman Bowman made a motion to accept Ordinance 1811-2022 as read. Councilwoman Mitchell seconded the motion. Mayor Lenhof requested a roll call vote. Roll Call: Councilwoman Grubbs – aye; Councilwoman Bowman – aye; Councilman Moore – aye; Councilwoman Mitchell – aye; Councilman Daniels – aye; and Councilwoman Barnett Smith - aye. Motion carried and so ordered.

Ordinance 1812-2022 - Pay Scale Amendment.

Attorney Greg Voss Read in Summary Ordinance 1812-2022 for the Second reading

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND ENACTING AN AMENDED
COMPREHENSIVE PAY PLAN FOR THE NON-ELECTED CITY OFFICERS
AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF ELSMERE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH
KRS 83A.070(2).**

Councilwoman Grubbs made a motion to accept Ordinance 1812-2022 as read. Councilman Moore seconded the motion. Mayor Lenhof requested a roll call vote. Roll Call: Councilwoman Grubbs – aye; Councilwoman Bowman – aye; Councilman Moore – aye; Councilwoman Mitchell – aye; Councilman Daniels – aye; and Councilwoman Barnett Smith - aye. Motion carried and so ordered.

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL:

Councilwoman Grubbs reminded all seniors that the applications for the Elsmere Scholarships are due in April.

Councilwoman Bowman stated that the scholarship applications are due on April 30, 2022. Also wanted to remind the residents about the election in November

Councilman Daniels wanted to remind the public that with the nice weather to remain cognizant of their speed with the children playing outside.

Councilwoman Barnett Smith wanted to thank everyone for making the student government meeting a success. Also wanted to remind residents to watch for children in the streets.

Councilman Aaron Moore – Mentioned again the possibility of having murals throughout the city, he is hoping to have more information at the May Caucus meeting. He also wanted to thank Chief Maier for his help in completing a police report for a fender bender. He also wants to continue to discuss the fairness legislation for the city.

Councilwoman Lisa Mitchell – wanted to remind residents that the Erlanger Elsmere Schools have pre-school openings from the ages of eight weeks to five years. Please contact Trish for more information.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilwoman Grubbs made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Barnett Smith seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. **Motion carried and so ordered.** Meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Attest:

Misty Ezell
Misty Ezell, City Clerk

Marty Lenhof
Mayor Marty Lenhof