

**CITY OF BARDSTOWN, KENTUCKY
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
01-08-2019
7:00 PM**

The City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers with Mayor Heaton and the following Councilmen:

Councilman Joe Buckman
Councilman David Dones
Councilman Betty Hart
Councilman Franklin Hibbs IV
Councilman Bill Sheckles
Councilman Roland E. Williams

Others present: City Attorney Audrey Haydon, City Clerk Mary Riley, HR Director/Risk Manager Greg Ashworth, Police Chief Kim Kraeszig, Fire Chief Billy Mattingly, new Firefighter David Woodford and his wife April, Assistant Fire Chief Todd Spalding, his wife Stacy and their three children, NCEDA President Kim Huston, Marketing & Communications Specialist Hannah Bowman, Nelson County Gazette Reporter Jim Brooks, Kentucky Standard Reporter Randy Patrick, and Reporter Matt Gordon from PLG-TV.

Mayor welcomed the new council members and stated he was excited to work with each and every one of them. He knows there is a lot of work to be done but he is confident they are all up to the challenge.

SWEARING-IN CEREMONY BY FIRE CHIEF BILLY MATTINGLY

Fire Chief Mattingly provided an introduction of Assistant Fire Chief Todd Spalding and gave a brief overview of his background with the Bardstown Fire Department. He then provided a brief background of Firefighter David Woodford.

Mayor Heaton administered the Oath of Office, which was followed by a round of congratulatory applause.

CEMETERY DEEDS

Councilman Williams recused himself and left the building at 7:06pm.

THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE CEMETERY DEEDS FOR ROLAND E. AND RITA F. WILLIAMS WERE APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Councilman Williams returned to the building and rejoined the meeting at 7:07pm.

MINUTES

THE MINUTES FOR THE 12/27/2018 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING WERE APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE B2019-CHAPTER 92: CEMETERY

Councilman Buckman introduced Ordinance B2019-Chapter 92: Cemetery and asked that it be read in full. City Attorney Haydon read the ordinance.

City Clerk Riley will correct the administrative error that appeared after Section 92.07(B) and prepare it to be presented for a 2nd Reading. The error was a partial sentence beginning with “ownership of each grave” that should have been removed.

NEW BRAND STANDARDS INCLUDING NEW LOGO

Mayor Heaton provided a background of how this new brand standard has evolved through some of the initiatives of the Bourbon Capital Community Alliance and asked Kim Huston to further elaborate. She explained the partnership with the company Solid Light and their work in Bardstown so far with projects such as the Compass at the Welcome Center and various signage. What has been created is a “family of brands” that will reflect a coordinated effort to spotlight Bardstown as the Bourbon Capital of the world. Marketing and Communications Specialist Hannah Bowman provided visual samples of the new logo on the side of City vehicles and on the water tower in the Nelson County Industrial Park, which Kim Huston indicated they have been working toward for five or more years. Mayor Heaton shared that the company Solid Light worked with the city of Nashville to brand it “Music City USA” and also in the Napa Valley – Northern California to brand and market the wine country as it relates tourism.

NCEDA Director Kim Huston referenced the recent article about Bardstown and Bourbon in the New York Times. The phones at her office have been ringing off the hook. They could not have purchased advertising equivalent to what they received by this article. There is even discussion of Bardstown being included in a “vice” book – something similar to *What marijuana has done for California, the bourbon industry has done for Kentucky*.

FIRE DEPARTMENT NEW PROMOTION PLAN

Fire Chief Mattingly explained the Platoon system they utilize and how the addition of the new fire station on Hwy 245 in the former Newcomb Oil property creates a need to revamp the existing structure and promote several individuals. The lieutenants would be in charge at the City Hall fire station and the captains would be in charge at this new fire station. The promotions would be funded by pulling from their “catch all” line item and cutting back on the money spent on overtime. No vote was taken. The changes need to be approved by Frankfort. HR Manager/Director Greg Ashworth wants to look into “spiking” as it relates to the pension plan.

MUNICIPAL ORDER M2019-01

Mayor Heaton introduced Municipal Order M2019-01 and asked City Attorney Audrey Haydon to read it out loud, which she did.

MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. M2019-01

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordered by the City Council of the City of Bardstown, Commonwealth of Kentucky:

That the Council Committees established through Municipal Order M2017-01 and amended in Municipal Order M2017-03, M2017-08 and M2018-02 be amended in the following manner:

1. That there is hereby named a Safety Committee of the City Council whose members shall be: Chairman Councilman [~~John Kelley~~] **Bill Sheckles**, Councilman [~~Kecia Copeland~~] **Betty Hart**, Councilman [~~Bill Sheckles~~] **Franklin Hibbs IV**, the Police Chief or his/her designee and the Fire Chief or his/her designee; and shall have regularly scheduled meetings on the second Thursday of March, June, September and December each year at 5:00pm in the Mayor’s Conference Room of City Hall located at 220 North 5th Street.
2. That there is hereby named a Finance Committee of the City Council whose members shall be: Co-Chairman Mayor J. Richard Heaton, Co-Chairman Councilman Roland Williams, Councilman [~~John Kelley~~] **Betty Hart**, Councilman Bill Sheckles and the Chief Financial Officer; and that the Finance Committee shall have meetings as needed.
3. That there is hereby named a Long-Term Planning Committee of the City Council whose members shall be: Chairman [~~Councilman Kecia Copeland~~] **Mayor J. Richard Heaton**, Councilman Joe Buckman, **Councilman Franklin Hibbs IV** and Councilman Roland Williams; and that the Long-Term Planning Committee shall have meetings as needed.
4. That there is hereby named an Electric and Cable TV Committee of the City Council whose members shall be: Chairman Councilman David Dones, Councilman Roland Williams, Councilman [~~Kecia Copeland~~] **Franklin Hibbs IV**, the City Electrical Engineer, the [~~Staff~~] **City Systems** Engineer and the Electric Superintendent; and shall have regularly scheduled meetings on the first Tuesday of January, April, July and October each year at 4:00pm in the City Council’s Chamber located on the second floor at 116 North 5th Street.
5. That there is hereby named a Water and Wastewater Committee of the City Council whose members shall be: Chairman Councilman Bill Sheckles, Councilman [~~John Kelley~~] **Betty Hart**, Councilman David Dones, [~~Mayor J. Richard Heaton~~] **Councilman Franklin Hibbs IV**, the Administrative Engineer and the City Civil Engineer; and that the Water and Wastewater Committee shall have meetings as needed.
6. That there is hereby created a Cemetery Committee of the City Council whose members shall be: Chairman Councilman Joe Buckman, Councilman Bill Sheckles, Staff Civil Engineer, the Public Works Superintendent, the Groundskeeper, the Sexton and the citizen-member; and shall have regularly scheduled meetings on the second Wednesday of February, May, August and November of each year at 8:30 a.m. in the Mayor’s Conference Room of City Hall located at 220 North 5th Street.
7. That there is hereby named a Street, Solid Waste and Transportation Planning Committee of the City Council whose members shall be: Chairman Councilman Joe Buckman, Councilman Roland Williams, Councilman [~~Kecia Copeland~~] **Franklin Hibbs IV**, the Staff Civil Engineer, the City Civil Engineer and the Public Works Superintendent; and that the Street, Solid Waste and Transportation Planning Committee shall have meetings as needed.

8. That there is hereby named an Annexation Committee of the City Council whose members shall be: Chairman Councilman [~~John Kelley~~] **Betty Hart**, Councilman David Dones, Councilman Bill Sheckles, the Human Resource Director, the Director of Public Works and Engineering and the City Civil Engineer; and that the Annexation Committee shall have meetings as needed.

9. That there is hereby named a Recreation Committee of the City Council whose members shall be: Chairman Councilman Roland Williams, Councilman [~~Keeia Copeland~~] **Betty Hart**, Councilman David Dones and the Recreation Director; and shall have regularly scheduled meetings on the fourth Thursday of March, June, September and December at 5:00 PM in the City Council's Chamber located on the second floor at 116 North 5th Street.

Mayor Heaton and HR Manager/Director Ashworth pointed out that the position of the Director of Public Works and Engineering has been eliminated and should not be on the Annexation Committee member list. City Clerk Riley did not recall that position being removed by ordinance. She will look into the matter and make the necessary adjustments to the municipal order.

UPON MOTION BY COUNCILMAN BUCKMAN, DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN WILLIAMS AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 0, MUNICIPAL ORDER 2019-01 COUNCIL COMMITTEES WAS APPROVED WITH THE EDITS TO BE INCORPORATED BY CITY CLERK RILEY.

REAPPOINTMENT OF EDWARD SEAY TO THE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

UPON MOTION BY COUNCILMAN DONES, DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN SHECKLES AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 0, EDWARD SEAY WAS REAPPOINTED TO A THREE (3) YEAR TERM TO THE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD EFFECTIVE 1/01/2019.

REAPPOINTMENT OF MARK MATHIS TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

UPON MOTION BY COUNCILMAN WILLIAMS, DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN DONES AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 0, MARK MATHIS WAS REAPPOINTED TO A FOUR (4) YEAR TERM TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION EFFECTIVE 2/2019.

REAPPOINTMENT OF MARK MATHIS TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

UPON MOTION BY COUNCILMAN SHECKLES, DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BUCKMAN AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 0, MARK MATHIS WAS REAPPOINTED TO A FOUR (4) YEAR TERM TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS EFFECTIVE 2/2019.

REAPPOINTMENT OF MARTIN CARPENTER TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

UPON MOTION BY COUNCILMAN BUCKMAN, DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HART AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 0, MARTIN CARPENTER WAS REAPPOINTED TO A FOUR (4) YEAR TERM TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS EFFECTIVE 2/2019.

APPOINTMENT OF JERRY FLORENCE TO THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENTS APPEALS

UPON MOTION BY COUNCILMAN DONES, DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN WILLIAMS AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 0, JERRY FLORENCE WAS APPOINTED TO A THREE (3) YEAR TERM TO THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENTS APPEALS EFFECTIVE 1/01/2019.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TERESA MADDOX TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY

UPON MOTION BY COUNCILMAN SHECKLES, DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BUCKMAN AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 0, TERESA MADDOX WAS REAPPOINTED TO A FOUR (4) YEAR TERM TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY EFFECTIVE 2/12/2019.

REAPPOINTMENT OF DIXIE HIBBS TO THE TREE BOARD

Councilman Hibbs recused himself and left the room at 7:45pm.

UPON MOTION BY COUNCILMAN WILLIAMS, DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN DONES AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5 TO 0, DIXIE HIBBS WAS REAPPOINTED TO A THREE (3) YEAR TERM TO THE TREE BOARD EFFECTIVE 1/24/2019.

Councilman Hibbs returned to the room and rejoined the meeting at 7:46pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Clerk Riley pointed out that each council member had a copy in front of them of the FY18 Audit for their review. It will be on the agenda for the 1/22/2019 city council meeting agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILMAN WILLIAMS MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:48PM. THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HIBBS AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 0.

CITY OF BARDSTOWN

J. Richard Heaton, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary Riley, City Clerk