

**CITY OF BARDSTOWN, KENTUCKY**  
**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**3/12/2019**  
**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, City Civil Engineer Jessica Filiatreau, Police Chief Kim Kraeszig, Fire Chief Billy Mattingly, Preservation Coordinator Rashae Jennings, Nelson County Gazette Reporter Jim Brooks, Kentucky Standard Reporter Randy Patrick, and a representative from PLG-TV. Guests: Bethlehem High School Principal Tom Hamilton, Bethlehem Athletic Director Keith Graham, Project Manager Richard Smith from HDR Engineering. City personnel being sworn-in: Kevin Mumphrey, Mike Hatfield, Justin Brown, Corey Lanham, Brian Taylor. Family members were in attendance to support their swearing-in.

**RECOGNITION OF GROUPS OR INDIVIDUALS**

**PROCLAMATION: BETHLEHEM BANSHEES DAY – MARCH 13, 2019** – The Bethlehem High School Banshees girls basketball team was recognized in a Proclamation presented by Mayor Heaton, declaring March 13, 2019 as Bethlehem Banshees Day. Principal Tom Hamilton and Athletic Director Keith Graham received the Proclamation on behalf of the girls basketball team since they were escorted out of town earlier that day to prepare for the Sweet 16 state tournament at Rupp Arena in Lexington the following day.

**UPON MOTION BY COUNCILMAN HART, DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HIBBS, BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE COUNCIL, MARCH 13, 2019 WAS DECLARED BETHLEHEM BANSHEES DAY.**

**SWEARING-IN CEREMONY OF POLICE OFFICER KEVIN MUMPHREY** – Police Chief Kim Kraeszig introduced Kevin Mumphrey and provided a summary of his extensive background in law enforcement. Mayor Heaton administered the Oath of Office which was followed by congratulatory applause. Officer Mumphrey thanked Chief Kraeszig and Mayor Heaton for this opportunity and he shared that he planned to work toward the important police and community relationship.

**SWEARING-IN CEREMONY OF FIREFIGHTER PERSONNEL** – Fire Chief Mattingly explained the promotions for the firefighters that were present. Mike Hatfield and Justin Brown were being promoted from Lieutenant to Captain. Corey Lanham and Brian Taylor were new Firefighters being promoted to Lieutenant. Mayor Heaton called them forward and administered the Oath of Office which was followed by congratulatory applause.

**BOY SCOUT TROUP NO. 42** – Scout Master Bob Bruno, Sherry Frazier and Eagle Scout Zach Brown were in attendance to assist Kevin Seawater in receiving credit for a city council meeting which is a requirement to become an Eagle Scout. At approximately 7:30pm, Kevin Seawater arrived at the meeting along with his father, Assistant Scout Master Brown. Both were recognized and welcomed.

**WATER TREATMENT PLANT – FILTER UNIT 1 – BID TAB**

City Civil Engineer Filiatreau explained that although they had only received one bid, this company has successfully completed work for the City before and she was pleased to recommend them for this project.

**UPON MOTION BY COUNCILMAN WILLIAMS, DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BUCKMAN, THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT FILTER UNIT 1 REPAIR, CLEANING & PAINTING BID WAS AWARDED TO C&S QUALITY SERVICES, LLC FOR A BID AMOUNT OF \$86,700. MOTION CARRIED 6 TO 0.**

**ROWAN CREEK WASTE WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS – BID OPENING 3/07/2019**

City Civil Engineer Filiatreau explained that the combined low bids are over the published engineer's estimate, which can be attributed to several factors. Those include a general upward trend in construction costs, site factors including rock removal and a confined work area, the need to keep existing facilities in service during construction with uncertain flow rates and associated bypass pumping costs, and Federal wage rates and American Iron & Steel requirements for KIA funding. HDR Project Manager Richard Smith reiterated these reasons. He also reviewed the qualifications and contacted references for the low bidders of each project/contract.

**TOWN CREEK WWTP IMPROVEMENTS** – This project's scope of work includes headworks screens, influent sewer improvements, and piping improvements at the Town Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant. The recommended low bidder is Smith Contractors.

**POTTERSHOP PUMP STATION UPGRADE** – This project includes pump replacement, screening, valve vault, electrical/control building and related improvements at the Pottershop Pump Station. The recommended low bidder is Scott & Ritter.

UPON MOTION BY COUNCILMAN DONES, DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN SHECKLES, CONTRACT 1 WAS AWARDED TO SMITH CONTRACTORS FOR A BID AMOUNT OF \$1,334,000 AND CONTRACT 2 WAS AWARDED TO SCOTT & RITTER FOR A BID AMOUNT OF \$1,566,847. MOTION CARRIED 6 TO 0.

**MINUTES**

THE MINUTES FOR THE 3/05/2019 WORKING SESSION COUNCIL MEETING WERE APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

**FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE B2019 AMEND ANNEXATION ORDINANCE 809 & 813**

City Attorney Haydon explained that Ordinance 809 announced the City’s intent to annex and Ordinance 813 was the ordinance that actually annexed the location into the City limits. Since the state mapping office did not reflect what the City had on file, it was necessary to bring the files in line with each other.

Councilman Dones introduced the ordinance and asked that it be read in summary. City Attorney Haydon read the summary. Mayor Heaton further explained that an Annexation Committee meeting is likely to be called and the City cannot move forward with considering the annexation of adjacent areas until the original annexation is modified.

**HISTORIC REVIEW BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

Mayor Heaton explained the reason for the two (2) vacancies within the Historic Review Board. Historic Preservationist Rashae Jennings assured the Council that they had two excellent candidates that will bring great experience to the Board.

UPON MOTION BY COUNCILMAN HART, DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BUCKMAN, SUMMER ARLINGHAUS WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM ON MARY KEENE WHICH EXPIRES ON 1/12/2020 AND BRUCE ROGERS WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF LEE EVANS WHICH EXPIRES ON 1/10/2022. MOTION CARRIED 6 TO 0.

**CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Councilman Sheckles reminded the Council that there would be a Safety Committee Meeting on Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm in the Mayor’s Conference Room at City Hall.

Councilman Hart reiterated that she met with the United for Recovery group last week. She determined that many of the things she wanted to do, the group was already working on. She definitely does not want to duplicate effort. More will be reported at a later date. On another matter, she displayed a picture from Facebook that showed a house in the Henrytown neighborhood that recently had the exterior updated with vibrant paint colors and fresh plantings. She shared that the Henrytown Pride Gang is a group of families in that neighborhood that are working to revive the area and update the exterior of their homes. They have provided free plant seedlings to neighbors and she has learned that the Gazebo Apartments have been sold and will soon be painted and receive much needed repairs.

Historic Preservationist Jennings announced that a preservation workshop will be held this Thursday at 6:00pm at the COBEC building, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Entitled “*If this house could talk*”, Historian Dixie Hibbs will teach people how to research the history of their homes.

Mayor Heaton shared an economic accolade the City has received from the Walton Family Foundation. It has named the City of Bardstown one of the Most Dynamic Micropolitans in the U.S. Bardstown ranked #31 out of 531 micros across the country. Bardstown was the only micro in Kentucky to rank in the Top 100. Recognition like this allows the City to demonstrate its economic vitality to potential residents or businesses.

Mayor Heaton also acknowledged Jim Brooks from the Nelson County Gazette and Randy Patrick from the Kentucky Standard for a recent media award they received from the Cox’s Station Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution for their contributions to the community.

The Cox’s Station chapter presented awards to local media. Kentucky Standard reporter Randy Patrick and Nelson County Gazette editor Jim Brooks were honored with certificates recognizing their community journalism.

**ADJOURNMENT**

COUNCILMAN BUCKMAN MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:54 PM. THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN SHECKLES AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 0.

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J. Richard Heaton, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Mary Riley, City Clerk