

City Commission meeting - February 23, 1987 - 7:00 p.m. - City Hall

Mayor Gilley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with Comm. Smith, Bryce & Barrow in attendance, as well as several interested citizens.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of previous meeting

Mayor Gilley ask the commission if they had read these minutes and if there were any additions or corrections to same. With none to be heard, Comm. Bryce presented a motion to accept them as written, seconded by Comm. Smith. Roll call and vote - Smith yes, Gilley yes, Barrow yes, Bryce yes.

2. Treasurer's report- 1/16/87 thru 2/13/87

The above stated report was presented to the commission for any questions, additions or corrections. Comm. Bryce wondered what the city would do with the excess funds they would have from the library funds. The clerk explained since the budget started with a 0 balance and hopefully would end with a 0 balance; maybe the city would have funds to carry forward to the 1987-1988 budget. She also explained once funds are budgeted to a particular department, she was not allowed to transfer them to another department. With no more discussion to be heard, Comm. Bryce presented a motion to accept the report as printed, seconded by Comm. Barrow. Roll call and vote - Bryce yes, Barrow yes, Gilley yes, Smith yes.

3. First reading budget amendment Ordinance #87-1 220.87

The clerk explained the reason for the need for additional funds in street department was strictly due to the increase in the liability insurance. She ask the commission to note the street department was operating with a deficit budget and this was not allowed by Ky. laws. Comm. Bryce presented a motion this ordinance be accepted for a second reading, seconded by Comm. Smith. Roll call and vote - Smith yes, Gilley yes, Barrow yes, Bryce yes. The commission voted to have the second reading, Tuesday 2/24/87.

4. Department of Transportation MA funds agreement

The clerk explained the Commonwealth had started this type of agreement four years ago. They would retain 80% of the city's MA funds and at such time the city let a contract for road work, then the city contacts the department and they forward the money. The clerk explained this road fund savings accumulates approximately \$500.00 per fiscal budget and by the time there are enough funds to have road work done that is about \$1,500.00 additional monies we have to use. After a brief discussion, Comm. Smith presented the motion to not accept this agreement, seconded by Comm. Barrow. Roll call and vote- Bryce yes, Barrow yes, Gilley yes, Smith yes.

5. Old business - tree trimming bids for the cemetery

Mayor Gilley said he was in hopes Comm. Crisp, in charge of the cemetery would be present to voice his opinion regarding this bid. He ask Ms. Jordan if she had any comments regarding this \$1,500.00 figure. She said in her opinion she felt it would be better to wait until spring when the leaves were on to see how badly the trees did hang down.

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Comm. Bryce commented he had driven through the cemetery and he was in the opinion this work needed to be done as soon as possible. All agreed the trees around the chapel were the ones that needed the attention now. David Stiffey said all of the trees within the inside perimeter of the cemetery were included in the bid. Using an independent contractor was suggested to perhaps save money. Mayor Gilley said he felt there would have to be someone who had a bucket truck plus was fully insured before they were considered. All of the commission agreed it would be better to have all of the work done at once. Ms. Jordan ask them to remember the cost of the fence they had voted to install was in the very near future. It was agreed to wait until the March meeting to see if Comm. Crisp was in attendance. Mayor Gilley ask the clerk to draft a letter to Comm. Crisp to see his intentions about remaining on the City Commission. She agreed to do so. (copy attached)

Ms. Jordan approached the commission regarding a raise. The clerk said the prior commission had promised her a raise of \$35.00 every other year. Ms. Jordan had not taken a raise since April of 1985. The commission ask the clerk to research this commitment and report at the next meeting. (copy attached)

6. Other

Mr. Gene Grinstead had applied for a building permit to erect a garage at his residence at 164 Webb Ave. (copy attached). The Mayor noted on the plot drawing, Mr. Grinstead had not drawn how close to the property line the garage would stand. The commission ask the clerk to return this permit to Mr. Grinstead and ask him to be a little more specific about the location of the garage. (copy attached)

Comm. Bryce said he had again been contacted by Ms. Eloise Hunt about the street sign concrete marker that had been knocked down in the area of 4th and Kentucky St. This matter had been discussed at the November meeting. The neighbors in the area agreed it was of no use to them and would be pleased if it was removed completely. Comm. Bryce said there was wrought iron in the cement that would have to be cut out with a cutting torch. He agreed to do this if someone would assist with pulling it up out of the ground.

Ms. Jordan approached the commission regarding the proposed Metro Plan for Smiths Grove. She said Mr. Brian Reeves a member of the Tommorrow Committee had spoken to the Woman's Club the prior Thursday night and she was wondering why a citizen of Smiths Grove wasn't on this committee. All of the commission agreed Mr. Reeves should be contacted expressing their feelings about having a Smiths Grove citizen on the committee. The clerk agreed to draft a letter to Mr. Reeves. (copy attached)

With no further business to be heard a motion to adjourn was heard.

Approved: James R. Gilley
Mayor

Attest: Dorothy J. Neal
City Clerk