

City Commission meeting - September 26, 1988 - City Hall - 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Gilley called the meeting to order with all commissioners in attendance, as well as numerous interested citizens.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the previous meeting

Mayor Gilley ask the commission if they had reviewed these minutes, and if so did they have any corrections or additions to same. With none to be heard, Comm. McGuffey presented a motion to accept them as written, seconded by Comm. Stiffey. Roll call and vote - Belcher yes, Gilley yes, Stiffey yes, Crisp yes, McGuffey yes.

2. Minutes of the special called meeting

The Mayor explained the purpose of this meeting was to open the sealed bids for the renovation of City Hall. With no discussion on these, Comm. Crisp presented a motion to accept them as printed, seconded by Comm. McGuffey. Roll call and vote - McGuffey yes, Crisp yes, Stiffey yes, Gilley yes, Belcher yes.

3. Treasurer's report

The commission had reviewed -this report prior to the meeting and with no additions or corrections to same. Comm. Crisp presented a motion to accept it as printed, seconded by Comm. Stiffey. Roll call and vote - Belcher yes, Gilley yes, Stiffey yes, Crisp yes, McGuffey yes.

4. First reading 1988 property tax rate Ordinance #88-4 220.96

The Mayor explained that the rate of \$.19 per 100.00 assessments was the same as the rate for 1987. With no comments or discussion, Comm. Stiffey presented a motion to accept this ordinance for a second reading, seconded by Comm. McGuffey.

5. Discussion of the city's vehicle tax rate

The clerk had informed the commission the city's rate of .36¢ for vehicles was the highest in the BRADD area. She had also asked the commission to consider the fact, if the decision was made to lower the rate it could

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never be raised. (Copy of rate breakdown from .36¢ to .32¢ attached) The commission agreed with the addition of the insurance premium tax, the city could now lower the rate from \$.36 to \$.32 per \$100.00 assessment. Motion to lower the rate to .32¢ was presented by Comm. McGuffey, seconded by Comm. Crisp. Roll call and vote - McGuffey yes, Crisp yes, Stiffey yes, Gilley yes, Belcher yes.

6. First reading 1989 vehicle tax rate Ordinance #88-3 220.95

After the discussion by the commission regarding this tax, Comm. McGuffey presented a motion to accept the above stated ordinance for a second reading.

7. Opening of sealed bids for paving of city streets as advertised

Kenway Contracting Inc. was the only firm to submit a bid for the streets, (copy attached.) The commission had a discussion regarding the paving of Ridgecrest. Mayor Gilley had a copy of the pertinent ordinance for each of the commission, (copy attached). It was decided since the ordinance plainly states that the city will pave only those streets which are paved, they could not pave this street. With this in mind, Comm. McGuffey presented a motion to delete Ridgecrest from the total bid of \$17,212.00 and accept the rest of the streets as bid, seconded by Comm. Belcher. Roll call and vote - Belcher yes, Gilley yes, Stiffey yes, Crisp yes, McGuffey yes.

8. Discussion - advertising for sale of used a/c & three heaters

Mayor Gilley explained the clerk needed the commission's permission to advertise for the sale of these items. Comm. McGuffey presented a motion to allow the clerk to advertise for these items, with the bids to be opened at the October meeting, seconded by Comm. Crisp. Roll call and vote - Belcher yes, Gilley yes, Stiffey yes, Crisp yes, McGuffey yes.

9. Discussion - proposed sewer system for the city

Mayor Gilley introduced Gene Becker, from the BRADD offices to explain same to those in attendance. Mr. Becker said his purpose for being at the meeting was to let the commission know what types of grants were available for this type of project. A Community Development Block Grant offers a maximum of \$7~000.00 grant money; the Kentucky Infrastructure has two types of funds available, Fund A, which is for projects such as sewer systems, Fund B, which is for economic development. Mr. Becker said he would be glad to advise the city and offer his assistance if the commission decided to pursue the options available for a sewer system. Mr. Ben Quinn, representing American Engineers, ask the commission if they wanted them to now pursue the cost options, potential economic growth estimates etc. He said they should have a rough estimate for the commission to look at within 60 days. Comm. Belcher ask if this would be a free standing system or tied in with the Bowling Green system. Mr. Quinn said he wasn't sure and would check this out. Comm. Stiffey ask if the company had any idea when the EPA would enforce the fact that Smiths Grove had to have a sewer system. Mr. Terry Shaw from American Engineers said they had no idea when this would occur. Mr. Quinn said he felt the entire project could possibly be done for around \$1,000,000.00. After the discussions, Comm. McGuffey presented a motion to allow American Engineers and the BRADD offices to pursue this free estimate for the city, seconded by Comm. Stiffey. Roll call

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and vote - Belcher yes, Gilley yes, Stiffey yes, Crisp yes, McGuffey yes.

The commission decided to have the second reading of the two tax ordinances, Tuesday 9/27/88 at 12:30.

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

Approved: James R. Gilley
Mayor

Attest: Dorothy J. Neal
City Clerk