

Meeting Minutes for Regular Monthly Commission Meeting

Date: December 12, 2023

Time: 7:30 PM

Location: Ryland Heights Municipal Building

10145 Decoursey Pike, Ryland Heights, KY 41015

- **Call to Order** - Meeting called to order by Mayor Cole at 7:30 PM.
- **Invocation** – Led by Reverend Vincent Powell
- **Pledge to Flag** – Led by Mayor Cole

Roll Call

- Commission members present:
 - Mayor John Cole, Commissioner Todd Claggett, Commissioner Jason Ponder.
Commissioner Carol Bowman.
- Commission members absent.
 - Commissioner Ralph Collins
- Staff members present:
 - Treasurer Rod Rigacci, City Clerk: Wendell Bell.
- City Attorney Ted Knoebber arrived at 8:00 PM.

Agenda Approval

- Agenda reviewed by all Commission members; no changes made.
 - Motion made to accept the proposed agenda by Commissioner Bowman
 - Seconded by Commissioner Ponder
- Vote – Ayes 4, Nays 0
- Motion approved by unanimous vote.

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes for November 14, 2023, was reviewed by all Commission members present.
 - Commissioner Claggett made a motion to approve the November 14, 2023, Minutes.
 - Seconded by Commissioner Bowman.
 - ❖ Vote – Ayes 4 Nays 0
 - ❖ Motion approved by unanimous vote.

Mayor Cole introduced Yvonne Hurst to those present.

- Yvonne Hurst was appointed in November to be the representative of the City of Ryland Heights on the Kenton County Planning Commission

Kimberly Moser was introduced to those present.

- Kimberly is our State Representative and represents us at Frankfort during the legislative Session.
- The floor was turned over to *Kimberly*. She reported on issues that were being discussed in the legislature, including but not limited to Healthcare and the Budget.

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- After the report, the floor was opened to residents present to ask questions regarding issues about which they were concerned. One question concerned water access to rural areas. Another citizen had a question regarding the shortage of Paramedics, and what was being done to address the issue. There is a shortage of people to fill many of these positions.

Patty Edgley from Chamberlin and Owen was introduced.

- Patty was here to give the Auditors Report. She and her company have completed a certified audit of the City of Ryland Heights funds, payments and all such expenditures, cash reserves, our budget and other funds.

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurers report to include Bank Statements, Checking and Savings, Municipal Road Aid, Budget vs Actual presented by: **Rod Rigacci, November Reports.**
- Interest rates are still up for now.
 - Motion to approve the Treasurer Report by Commissioner Claggett.
 - Seconded by Commissioner Ponder.
 - ❖ Vote – Ayes 4 Nays 0
 - ❖ Motion approved by unanimous vote.

Correspondence

- **There were Monthly Sales Reviewed.**

Committee Reports

- Parks Report: if weather conditions permit, we will keep the park open.
- Roads Report: "Up to date" on that. plans are being made to work on Lambs Ferry Road next year, and we are talking to the county about helping with that.
- Veteran's Affairs Committee – No Updates.
- Other Committees Reporting; Looking for land for a new city building. Question, what size building are we looking at 40 ft. X 60 ft? Some suggested a 60 ft. X 80 ft. we will look at size next meeting.

Privilege of Floor: A citizen questioned if all the citizens were notified of the purchase and building of the new building. Also, the question of maintenance of the building, how is it going to be paid for? It was explained that rental fees would be used for the upkeep and maintenance of the building.

Old Business: none

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New Business: Resolution to set aside Committed Funds, for Emergency Usage from the savings account in the amount of \$79,014.57 this December 12, 2023, to be used in an emergency only, and to be increased \$10,000.00 annually from savings funds, to be capped at \$200,000.00, this 12th day of December 2023.

- The motion was made by Commissioner Jason Ponder.
- Seconded by Commissioner Carrol Bowman
- Vote - Ayes 4 Nays 0
- Motion approved by unanimous vote.

Adjourned – A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Bowman with a second by Commissioner Ponder. Meeting Adjourned at 9:18 PM.

Meeting Minutes prepared by Wendell Bell, City Clerk on 12-13-2023, from meeting notes and recording #5 and notes.



ATTEST, Wendell Bell, City Clerk



ATTEST, Mayor John Cole