

**CITY OF COFFEYVILLE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2019
CITY HALL, 6:30 P.M.**

The Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session at 6:30 p.m. in the Commission Room. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bauer.

Present:

COMMISSIONER JUSTIN DOANE
COMMISSIONER PAUL BAUER
COMMISSIONER ANN MARIE VANNOSTER
COMMISSIONER JIM C. TAYLOR, JR.
COMMISSIONER CHRIS WILLIAMS

City Staff in attendance:

CITY MANAGER MARK HALL
CITY CLERK ALLISON PRYOR
CITY ATTORNEY PAUL KRITZ
FINANCE DIRECTOR STEPHANIE RICHARDSON
IT DIRECTOR CHRIS FELIX
SUPERINTENDENT OF ENGINEERING THOMAS OSBORN

- A. **CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Paul Bauer
- B. **ROLL CALL** – ALL PRESENT, MAJORITY ESTABLISHED
- C. **INVOCATION** – Joey Barrett, Pastor, Coffeyville Church of Christ
- D. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG**
- E. **REVIEW OF AGENDA**
- F. **CONSENT AGENDA**
 - 1. City Commission Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, September 10, 2019
 - 2. 2019 Appropriation Ordinance No. AO-19-18 – \$4,488,422.32

MOTION: Move to approve the consent agenda as presented.

ACTION: MOTION: TAYLOR SECOND: BAUER
ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYE
 - 3. 2019 Appropriation Ordinance No. AO-19-18A (Isham's) – \$147.45

ACTION: MOTION: TAYLOR SECOND: DOANE
ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYE, EXCEPT VANNOSTER - ABSTAIN

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

- G. **PUBLIC HEARING(s), SPECIAL PRESENTATION(s), & PROCLAMATION(s)**
- H. **OLD BUSINESS**

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. City Manager's Report: It's been a busy week in City Hall. Regarding the electric issue at 12th & Buckeye, we are close to having power restored to everyone. City business will pick up; many departments are doing without this year and holding the budget to set up for next year. Thank you to City staff for all you do; lots of great things are happening. Construction on 11th Street will soon finish on the South side of the street and then begin on the North side of the street. Thank you to the public for understanding the inconvenience.

J. COMMENTS

David Barnes, 604 Elm, commented regarding the cemetery issue. Barnes indicated his concern regarding Fairview Cemetery becoming private as those citizens who purchased plots in Fairview bought with the understanding that they were purchasing in a City-owned cemetery, not a privately held cemetery. One experienced company gave away their cemetery to the City to run. Barnes feels the public should get a voice in the future of the cemetery. Barnes further commented he was concerned that the revenues generated by Allen Monuments in the event the cemetery deal goes through would equal greater revenue for Independence while Coffeyville's revenue decreases. Further, Barnes stated his concern that the grounds Allen maintains in Independence don't look like we want our grounds to look. Finally, Barnes commented if our cemetery is operating at a loss, perhaps we should look at increasing prices rather than shirking our responsibility.

Commissioner Doane stated that he considered having the cemeteries be full-service was a selling point for him, and asked Mr. Barnes' input. Barnes responded that doing so gives Allen the possibility of putting his funeral home, as well as Ford-Wulf-Bruns and the monument companies out of business as Allen can set higher prices for them while keeping their own costs low.

Commissioner Williams stated he's had reservations from the beginning about the cemetery issue, and that it is not yet on an upcoming agenda. Williams believes it is a matter of community pride as well as an economic issue and will affect local business. The Commission's goal is business growth and prosperity. Williams indicated he's not seen anything that would entice him to vote to sell the cemetery.

Staff Comments: Thomas Osborn, Superintendent of Engineering, offered comments on ramping up enforcement of bulky trash rules including a 24 hour abatement for those in violation of the existing ordinance's requirement that bulky trash not be placed curbside except within the 72 hour window before collection. Violators would pay abatement costs plus a fine. Osborn noted that residents each have a bulky trash collection day per month, as well as the option to call for an additional bulky pickup, also on a Monday. Therefore, bulky trash should only be present Friday – Monday; with no bulky trash sitting out Monday evening – Thursday.

Vice-Mayor Taylor queried if this information is posted somewhere. Osborn indicated those records are on the books. Additionally, that as we have a listing of rental properties within the City, we can give a courtesy call to landlords who may not be aware of bulky trash infractions at their rental properties.

Vice-Mayor Taylor had a call from a concerned citizen about the level of care at Elmwood Cemetery. City Manager Mark Hall indicated that due to the level of rain this year, we've been behind on mowing and are playing catch up. Taylor said the concern was about graves being under water. Taylor also indicated his concern regarding getting rid of the cemeteries. Taylor

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thanked David Barnes for coming forward and speaking and that Barnes' comments are proof that one voice can make a difference.

Mayor Bauer commented that we have three busy weekends coming up in Coffeyville. This Saturday, September 28th, is the Coffeyville Area Chamber of Commerce 150th Gala at the Brown Mansion, next weekend, October 4th-5th is Dalton Defender Days along with all the activities, and the following weekend, October 12th is the Coffeyville Area Chamber of Commerce Brewfest 'Hops Around Town' event. Commissioner Doane questioned if tickets are still available for the Gala. Commissioner Vannoster answered yes, tickets are still available for purchase at the Chamber office.

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION(s)

1. Pursuant to KSA 75-4319(b)(2) for consultation with an attorney for the public body or agency which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship.

MOTION: Move to recess for Executive Session pursuant to KSA 75-4319(b)(2) for consultation with an attorney for attorney-client privileges including City Manager and Director of Finance reconvening at 7:25pm.

ACTION: MOTION: WILLIAMS SECOND: DOANE
ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYE

Meeting reconvened at 7:25 pm.

L. GENERAL STAFF, COMMITTEE & BOARD REPORTS AND MINUTES

1. Coffeyville Police Department Crime Statistics
2. City Recreation Commission
3. Building Permit Reports (March, July, August)

J. ADJOURN

MOTION: Move to adjourn.

ACTION: MOTION: WILLIAMS SECOND: BAUER
ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYE

Time the meeting was adjourned: 7:26pm.

Date the minutes were approved: 10/8/19

Minutes prepared by Allison Pryor.



Allison Pryor, City Clerk