

LUDLOW COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

October 8, 2020

Mayor Josh Boone called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. City Clerk Laurie Sparks called the roll which showed the following council members present: Steve Chapman, Tiffany Grider, Bill Whiteley, Chris Wright, Vanetta Davis, and Julie Terry Navarre.

ALSO ATTENDING: City Attorney Todd McMurtry, City Administrator/Police Chief Scott Smith, City Clerk Laurie Sparks, Fire Chief Mike Steward, and Code Enforcement Officer Tom Garner

Recognition of Military Veterans

Mayor Boone announced that the Kentucky Veterans Hall of Fame honors veterans who continue to serve above and beyond. Since the annual ceremony honoring this year's inductees was cancelled this year due to the pandemic, Mayor Boone wanted to honor them at a council meeting. Mayor Boone presented a proclamation to each of this year's inductees: Jack Aynes, Benny Clary, and Buddy Waite. All three were graduates of Ludlow High School.

Motion by Ms. Terry Navarre, second by Ms. Grider, to approve the minutes from the council meetings on September 10, 2020, and September 24, 2020, with corrections to the September 24th minutes as noted by Mr. Chapman. Following a voice vote, motion carried: all ayes.

STAFF REPORTS

Fire Department

Chief Steward discussed his monthly report. There will be a Hoxworth Blood Drive at the Firehouse on October 12th. October is Fire Safety Month. Anyone in need of a smoke detector should contact the Ludlow Fire Department and they will install one in their home.

Public Works

Mr. Hamant was not in attendance at the meeting, but his report was included in the packet.

Code Enforcement

Mr. Garner discussed his monthly report. No Certificate of Appropriateness applications were received. Mr. Garner advised that there were only ten outstanding rental license applications and he should receive five of those by the end of the week. Mr. Garner included a copy of a flyer advising residents that it is illegal to blow leaves into the street, which he distributes to anyone he witnesses violating the ordinance. Mr. Chapman requested that Mr. Garner post the flyer in businesses.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Boone advised that he met with representatives of Planning and Development Services of Kenton County (PDS) and Fischer Homes to discuss possible zoning changes to allow future development. Trick-or-treating will be on October 31, 2020, from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Mayor Boone encouraged everyone to follow the safety guidelines for trick-or-treating.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance – The Committee met on October 6, 2020 and everything appeared to be in order.

Public Works – The Committee did not meet.

Safety – The Committee did not meet.

CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT

Chief Smith discussed the possible development near River's Breeze. The City is still waiting to hear from the State regarding the status of the Adela Avenue Paving Project. The City received more money than expected from the sale of several surplus vehicles. This holiday season, police officers will not deliver gifts to children at their homes; they will distribute gifts at the Ludlow Community Center to one family at a time. There were only 353 police calls for the month of September. An organization has arranged for the City to have a new K-9. Lt. Bart Beck has been training with the K-9 for the past few weeks in Michigan and he will begin working next month. Mr. Wright advised that the School Resource Officer Tony Rouse is doing a good job at community-oriented policing.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Melanie Hazelwood of 635 Church Street requested that speed bumps be installed in Hauck Alley due to increased and speeding traffic. Chief Smith advised that he would look into the possibility of installing speed bumps and speak to Mr. Hamant about the issue.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Second Reading of Ordinance 2020-8

Motion by Mr. Chapman, second by Mr. Wright, to call up Ordinance 2020-8 *An Ordinance of the City of Ludlow, Kentucky, Designating a Portion of Elm Street as an "Entertainment Destination Center" Pursuant to 804 KAR 4:370* for a second reading. Following a second reading by Mr. McMurtry and a roll call vote, motion carried: all ayes.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2020-12

Motion by Mr. Chapman, second by Ms. Terry Navarre, to approve Resolution 2020-12 *A Resolution of the City of Ludlow, Kentucky ("City") Authorizing the Filing of a Coronavirus Relief Fund ("CRF") Application for Reimbursement of Incurred Expenses in CRF Funds with the Department for Local Government ("DLG"), and Authorizing and Directing the Mayor to Execute Any Documents Which are Deemed Necessary by DLG to Reimburse the City, and Authorizing the Mayor to Act as the Authorized Correspondent for Reimbursement.* Following a reading of Resolution 2020-12 and a roll call vote, motion carried: all ayes. The City will receive \$323,000.00 in funding.

Resolution 2020-13

Motion by Ms. Terry Navarre, second by Ms. Grider, to approve Resolution 2020-13 *A Resolution of the City of Ludlow, Kentucky, Authorizing the Mayor to Submit an Application for the City to Become a Certified Local Government.* Following a reading of Resolution 2020-13 and a voice vote, motion carried: all ayes.

First Reading of Ordinance 2020-9

Mr. McMurtry completed the first reading of Ordinance 2020-9 *An Ordinance of the City of Ludlow, in Kenton County, Kentucky, Amending the Text of the Ludlow Zoning Ordinance to Add Event Center and Entertainment Facilities as a Conditional Use in the I-1 Zone (Industrial-One)*. Mayor Boone advised that PDS approved the request for a text amendment.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Chapman announced that the City Clean Up Days will be on Saturday and Sunday for two weekends (October 17 & 18, October 24 & 25) at the lot at the corner of Ash and Traverse Streets. The announcement will be posted on the school's digital sign.

Motion by Ms. Grider, second by Mr. Whiteley, to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m. Following a voice vote, motion carried: all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Sparks, City Clerk

Attest: _____
Josh Boone, Mayor