CITY OF HARRODSBURG BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING

DATE: February 10, 2025 TIME: 12 p.m. PLACE: City of Harrodsburg, Conference Room

Mayor Robert "Bob" Williams called the regular meeting to order at 12 p.m. Members present, Commissioners; Kerry Anness, Charlie Mattingly, Jack Coleman and Marvin "Bubby" Isham.

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Anness – Present; Commissioner Mattingly – Present; Mayor Williams – Present; Commissioner Coleman – Present; Commissioner Isham – Present.

RECOGNITION OF BEAU WALSBURGER FOR 5 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE HARRODSBURG FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mayor Williams presented Beau Walsburger with a certificate and thanked him for 5 year of service to the Harrodsburg Fire Department.

APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CALLED MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 27, 2025

Motion by/seconded, Mayor Williams/Commissioner Anness to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on January 27, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE AND PAY DEPARTMENT INVOICES

Motion by/seconded, Mayor Williams/Commissioner Mattingly to approve and pay the department invoices. Motion carried unanimously.

AUTHORIZE MAYOR WILLIAMS TO SIGN ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH STURGILL, TURNER, BARKER & MOLONEY, PLLC

Motion by/seconded, Mayor Williams/Commissioner Coleman to authorize Mayor Williams to sign an engagement letter with Sturgill, Turner, Barker & Moloney, PLLC to handle a citizen complaint against the Police Department. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE RESOLUTION 2025-02-10

Motion by/seconded, Mayor Williams/Commissioner Mattingly to approve resolution 2025-02-10; a resolution authorizing the Tree Board to open an account at Whitaker Bank under the City of Harrodsburg EIN. Motion carried unanimously.

AUTHORIZE TO MOVE BUILDING INSPECTOR POSITION UNDER PLANNING & ZONING

Motion by/seconded, Mayor Williams/Commissioner Isham to authorize to move the Building Inspector position under Planning & Zoning, effective July 1, 2025. Commissioner Mattingly asked if the Building Inspector board had to approve it. Commissioner Isham said they already have; they did that Friday. City Attorney Norrie Currens said it is her understanding that they are not really moving under Planning and Zoning they are just going to share resources. Commissioner Isham said they need to work together instead of separate. He said right now the city and county pay the Building Inspector and now Planning and Zoning will be paying the Building Inspector. He said it will clean up a lot of paperwork. Mayor Williams said they have been under two separate umbrellas and now they will be under one. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE PARK BOARD MEMBER

Motion by/seconded, Mayor Williams/Commissioner Isham to approve the appointment of Jack Coleman to the Anderson Dean Park Board. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF ZACK NICHOLSON

Motion by/seconded, Mayor Williams/Commissioner Isham to accept the resignation of Zack Nicholson from the Harrodsburg Fire Department, effective February 7, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

HIRE JOSH PRATHER AS A FIREFIGHTER

Motion by/seconded, Mayor Williams/Commissioner Anness to authorize hiring Josh Prather as a Firefighter at \$12.85 per hour, effective February 19, 2025, pending drug and alcohol test and background check. Motion carried unanimously.

AUTHORIZE MAYOR WILLIAMS TO SIGN A MASTER AGREEMENT WITH BLUEGRASS AREA DEVELOPMENT

Motion by/seconded, Commissioners Isham/Coleman to authorize Mayor Williams to sign a master agreement with the Bluegrass Area Development District, Bluegrass Workforce Innovation Board to participate in the Youth Work Experience-Kentucky Employees Youth (KEY) Program. CAO Stacey Maynard said initially this will be at the Water Treatment Plant. It is essentially going to allow younger high school students to come in and shadow them. She said we don't have to pay them; they will be paid, but it is all part of the agreement. It will give them an idea of what it is like to work in the treatment plant. She said it will give our youth another option for jobs outside of high school. Ms. Maynard said we will start there and hopefully we can expand it to other places eventually. Motion carried unanimously.

AUTHORIZE MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS TO SIGN A LETTER OF SUPPORT

Motion by/seconded, Mayor Williams/Commissioner Isham to Authorize the Mayor and City Commissioners to sign a letter of support for the Mercer Sanitation District's efforts to develop a watershed plan for the Upper Salt River with funds from the 319(h) grant program in 2025. Mayor said this is something they have been working on for almost a year. He said it was actually applied for back in 2022-2023 but due to a lack of additional support it was denied. Mayor read a letter from Mike Sanford with the Mercer County Sanitation District. Motion carried unanimously.

GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by/seconded, Mayor Williams/Commissioner Isham to go into executive session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(g) for the purpose of discussions between a public agency and representatives of a business entity and discussions concerning a specific proposal, if open discussions would jeopardize the siting, retention, expansion or upgrading of the business at approximately 12:17 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by/seconded, Commissioners Isham/Anness to come out of executive session at approximately 12:41 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

BACK INTO REGULAR SESSION

Motion by/seconded, Commissioners Isham/Coleman to go back into regular session. Motion carried unanimously.

NO ACTION TAKEN

Mayor announced no action was taken in executive session.

APPROVE RESOLUTION 2025-02-10a

Motion by/seconded, Mayor Williams/Commissioner Anness to approve resolution 2025-02-10a; Harrodsburg Project Sheet KBI participation. Mayor read the resolution. The resolution include that the City of Harrodsburg agrees to participate in the Kentucky Business Incentives (KBI) program at a .5% occupational tax abatement rate for a period of 10 years, based upon actual revenues realized by the City. Motion carried unanimously.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

City Attorney Norrie Currens said she messed up the date for the City Government 101. She said the 17th of February was Presidents Day so they have moved the presentation to March 24th from 5-7 at the Mercer County Senior High School Auditorium. It will be presented by Michael Simon and Megan Griffith from Kentucky League of Cities.

ADJOURN

Motion by/seconded, Commissioners Isham/Coleman to adjourn at approximately 12:45 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Robert O. Williams, Mayor

Shavonna Huffman, City Clerk