

CITY OF BARDSTOWN, KENTUCKY
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
10/22/2019
6:00 PM

The City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers with Mayor Heaton and the following Council Members:

Councilman Joe Buckman
Councilman David Dones
Councilwoman Betty Hart
Councilman Franklin Hibbs IV
Councilman Bill Sheckles
Councilman Roland E. Williams (absent)

Others present: City Attorney Audrey Haydon, HR Director/Risk Manager Greg Ashworth, Chief Information Officer Nahom Ayele, City Electrical Engineer Eric Richter, Police Chief Kim Kraeszig, Fire Chief Billy Mattingly, City Clerk Gary Little, Assistant City Clerk Lisa Burdett, Assistant Chief of Police Joe Seelye, Executive Director for the Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police Shawn Butler, Police Officer Jarren Culver, Police Officer Hugh Hall, Police Officer Michael Clark, Police Officer Amanda Beard, Police Officer James Adams, Paige Hall, Emmett Culver, Stacy Clark, and Pat Whelan.

Media present: Nelson County Gazette Reporter Jim Brooks, Kentucky Standard Reporter Randy Patrick, PLG Reporter Matt Gordon.

Mayor Heaton called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

SWEARING-IN CEREMONY OF POLICE OFFICER JARREN CULVER

Police Chief Kim Kraeszig introduced Police Officer Jarren Culver, a native of Bardstown, and provided a summary of his background in law enforcement. Mayor Heaton welcomed Officer Culver and administered the Oath of Office which was followed by congratulatory applause. Officer Culver then thanked those in attendance for the opportunity.

BARDSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCREDITATION

Shawn Butler, the Executive Director for the Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police, described the multi-step process for the Police Department to become accredited through the KACP, which includes 173 standards that must be met. The accreditation requires extensive policy writing and took approximately two years to complete. Mr. Butler presented Chief Kraeszig and her officers with a framed certificate and she thanked her staff for all of the hard work that went into achieving the recognition. In addition, the accreditation allows the City of Bardstown a 10% discount on law enforcement liability insurance.

SERVICE OUTAGE

Chief Information Officer Nahom Ayele and City Electrical Engineer Eric Richter provided information on the recent power outage that interrupted internet and City Hall phone services on Sunday, October 20, 2019. Services were quickly restored in under three hours.

HISTORICAL REVIEW BOARD

The following recommendations from the Bardstown Historical Review Board were presented for approval:

- (a) COA-19-177. Clarkson Eye Care, Applicant/Owner, requests to install a new sign at 115 South 5th Street.
Recommendation: Approval to install the proposed sign.
- (b) COA-19-178. David Mandell, Applicant/Owner, requests to paint his house at 210 North Fourth Street.
Recommendation: Approval to paint the house with the following conditions:
Conditions: The front door color will be staff approved by the preservation coordinator.
- (c) COA-19-179. First Baptist Church of Bardstown, Applicant/Owner, requests to add a brick base to the existing sign at 315 North 2nd Street.
Recommendation: Approval to install the proposed brick base for the sign.
- (d) COA-19-180. Wilson and Muir Bank, Applicant/Owner, requests to install signage at 122 North 2nd Street.
Recommendation: Approval for the proposed signage with the following conditions:
Conditions: The final design of the sign will be staff approved by the preservation coordinator.
- (e) COA-19-189. Michael Stewart, Applicant/Owner, requests to paint the front porch and handrails at 111 West John Fitch Avenue.
Recommendation: Approval for the proposed paint color.
- ~~(f) COA-19-197. DeRhonda Thompson, Applicant, Richard and Sandra Mayberry, Owners, request to add signage at 100 West Flaget Street.~~

Recommendation: No action taken because the applicant was not present at the meeting.

- (g) COA-19-198. Patricia Cecconi-Smith, Applicant/Owner, requests to add a driveway at 218 North 4th Street.
Recommendation: Approval for the proposed driveway with the following conditions:
Conditions: The texture of the stone and the color will be staff approved by the preservation coordinator.
- (h) COA-19-199. Stephen Vittitow, Applicant/Owner, requests to install a deck at 110 and 112 East Broadway Street.
Recommendation: Approval to install the proposed deck with the following conditions:
Conditions: That the final plan for the stairs will be staff approved by the preservation coordinator.
- (i) COA-19-200. Stephen Vittitow, Applicant/Owner, requests to remove a tree at 110 and 112 East Broadway Street.
Recommendation: Approval to remove the tree with the following conditions:
Conditions: The screening of the AC unit will be staff approved, the city arborist will be consulted on whether or not the tree can be trimmed and survive or if it needs to be cut down, the city arborist will also give a recommendation on what tree will be planted back if the tree is to be removed and cannot be saved, and the Patio Peach Tree can be planted at the rear of the property.
- ~~(j) COA-19-130. Third Street Tap House/Michael King & Aaron McCubbins, Applicants/Owners, request to place two Porta Potties on the back patio of 112 North 3rd Street.
Recommendation: DENIED~~
- ~~(k) COA-19-174. Third Street Tap House/Michael King & Aaron McCubbins, Applicants/Owners, request to install an outdoor fireplace at 112 North 3rd Street.
Recommendation: DENIED~~
- (l) COA-19-181. Reggie and Mary Anne Mudd, Applicants/Owners, request to paint the structure at 105 East Broadway Street.
Recommendation: Approval for the proposed paint colors with the following conditions:
Conditions: The final colors for the house will be staff approved and submitted to the preservation coordinator.
- (m) COA-19-182. Reggie and Mary Anne Mudd, Applicants/Owners, request to replace the roof at 105 East Broadway Street.
Recommendation: Approval for the proposed roof.
- (n) COA-19-183. Reggie and Mary Anne Mudd, Applicants/Owners, request to replace a gate at 105 East Broadway Street.
Recommendation: Approval to install the proposed gate with the following conditions:
Conditions: The paint color for the gate will match the trim color of the house.
- (o) COA-19-184. Reggie and Mary Anne Mudd, Applicants/Owners, request to install new lights at 105 East Broadway Street.
Recommendation: Approval for the proposed lights.
- (p) COA-19-185. Reggie and Mary Anne Mudd, Applicants/Owners, request to remove a door at 105 East Broadway Street.
Recommendation: Approval for door alterations with the following conditions:
Conditions: The door will not be removed from the exterior view of the house.
- (q) COA-19-186. Reggie and Mary Anne Mudd, Applicants/Owners, request to install shutters at 105 East Broadway Street.
Recommendation: Approval for the proposed shutters.
- (r) COA-19-187. Reggie and Mary Anne Mudd, Applicants/Owners, request to install landscaping at 105 East Broadway Street.
Recommendation: Approval for the proposed landscaping.
- (s) COA-19-188. Reggie and Mary Anne Mudd, Applicants/Owners, request to install an AC unit at 105 East Broadway Street.
Recommendation: Approval for the proposed installation for the AC unit.
- (t) COA-19-190. Eric Shelburne, Applicant, Shannon Shelburne, Owner, request to construct a new building at the rear of 112 West Broadway Street.
Recommendation: Approval to construct the proposed structure.
- (u) COA-19-191. Eric Shelburne, Applicant, Shannon Shelburne, Owner, request to construct a new building and add siding at 112 West Broadway Street.
Recommendation: Approval for the proposed siding.

- (v) COA-19-192. Eric Shelburne, Applicant, Shannon Shelburne, Owner, request to construct a new building and add windows at 112 West Broadway Street.
Recommendation: Approval for the proposed windows with the following conditions:
Conditions: Staff approval by the preservation coordinator if any size or placement changes were to occur with the windows on the new structure.
- (w) COA-19-193. Eric Shelburne, Applicant, Shannon Shelburne, Owner, request to construct a new building and paint at 112 West Broadway Street.
Recommendation: Approval for the proposed paint colors with the following conditions:
Conditions: The final paint colors will be staff approved by the preservation coordinator.
- (x) COA-19-194. Eric Shelburne, Applicant, Shannon Shelburne, Owner, request to construct a new building and add a roof at 112 West Broadway Street.
Recommendation: Approval for the proposed roof with the following conditions:
Conditions: The final roof sample and color will be staff approved by the preservation coordinator.
- (y) COA-19-195. Eric Shelburne, Applicant, Shannon Shelburne, Owner, requests to construct a new building and add a foundation at 112 West Broadway Street.
Recommendation: Approval for the proposed foundation with the following conditions:
Conditions: The final foundation material and color will be approved by the preservation coordinator.
- (z) COA-19-196. Eric Shelburne, Applicant, Shannon Shelburne, Owner, request to construct a new building and add doors at 112 West Broadway Street.
Recommendation: Approval for the proposed doors with the following conditions:
Conditions: The final doors and garage door will be approved by the preservation coordinator.

Councilman Sheckles recused himself and left the room at 6:21.

COUNCILMAN HIBBS MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE HISTORICAL REVIEW BOARD FOR COA #19-179 WITH THE CONDITIONS SET FORTH BY THE HRB. THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN HART AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4 TO 0.

Councilman Sheckles returned to the room at 6:22.

COUNCILMAN BUCKMAN MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HISTORICAL REVIEW BOARD FOR COA #19-177, #19-178, #19-180, #19-181, #19-182, #19-183, #19-184, #19-185, #19-186, #19-187, #19-188, #19-189, #19-190, #19-191, #19-192, #19-193, #19-194, #19-195, #19-196, #19-198, #19-199 AND #19-200 WITH THE CONDITIONS SET FORTH BY THE HRB. THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN SHECKLES.

Upon further discussion, Councilman Buckman pointed out that the blueprint submitted for COA #19-190 is different from the work that was approved in the minutes of the Historical Review Board meeting on October 15, 2019. He suggested that, as a condition of the motion, the corrected drawings be submitted before construction begins. **Regarding COA #19-190, City Attorney Haydon clarified that an additional condition of the motion will be that before beginning construction, the applicant/owner shall submit updated blueprints to the Historic Preservation Coordinator reflecting the HRB recommendations which were approved, subject to the conditions set forth with those approvals.**

THE MOTION THEN CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5 TO 0.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

THE MINUTES FOR THE 10/08/2019 CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION WERE APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER UPDATE

Mayor Heaton appointed a committee to include Councilwoman Hart, Councilman Sheckles and HR Director Greg Ashworth to review applications for the Chief Financial Officer position that is open for hire.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE B2019-13

HR Director Greg Ashworth explained that the Water Treatment Specialist/Operator IV position will be changed to a Water Treatment Specialist and the pay grade will change from 110 to 109. Councilman Dones introduced Ordinance B2019-13 CLASSIFICATION PLAN AND COMPENSATION PLAN and asked that it be read in summary by City Attorney Audrey Haydon.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE B2019-14

City Attorney Haydon detailed the need for Ordinance B2019-14 which allows a five-year abatement of real and/or tangible property taxes for Takigawa Corporation America. She said that Ordinance B2016-04 authorizes the City Council to approve tax abatements by ordinance on a case by case basis. Councilman Sheckles introduced Ordinance

B2019-14 TAKIGAWA TAX ABATEMENT and asked that it be read by City Attorney Audrey Haydon. Mayor Heaton then said there will be a second reading of the ordinances at the next Council meeting.

ELECTRIC AND CABLE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Councilman Dones provided an overview of the minutes from the Electric and Cable Committee meeting on October 8, 2019.

RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Mayor Heaton presented the minutes for the Recreation Committee meeting held on October 1, 2019 and there was no further discussion.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilwoman Hart invited attendees to the Rotary Club Luncheon to be held on October 23, 2019. The guest speaker will be Tom Synan, Police Chief for the City of Newtown, Ohio. Councilwoman Hart also thanked City Electrical Engineer Eric Richter and Superintendent Jeff Miller for lighting the 'Welcome to Bardstown' sign on the north end of Bardstown. Electrical Engineer Richter said that the sign was wired into the city system but that the other two welcome signs might operate on solar power rather than using Salt River Electric due to the minimal usage that would be required. Mayor Heaton explained that a new welcome sign on Highway 62 may be included in next year's budget.

CEMETERY DEED

THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE CEMETERY DEED FOR WOODY YOCUM WAS APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILMAN SHECKLES MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 6:55 PM. THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BUCKMAN AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5 TO 0.

CITY OF BARDSTOWN

J. Richard Heaton, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gary Little, City Clerk