

CITY OF CLEVELAND
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 11, 2020
MINUTES

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The City Council Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Cleveland was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Kevin Stanley at 6:30 p.m.

Due to the orders of U.S. President Donald Trump and Georgia Governor Brian Kemp to conduct social distancing, the meeting is closed to the public to physically attend. The meeting is held through teleconferencing, in which the public may dial in and listen and be a part of the proceedings.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Nan Bowen, Kevin Stanley, and Bradley Greene.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion by Bradley Greene, seconded by Nan Bowen, and carried unanimously, the Mayor Pro Tem and City Council approved the agenda for the May 11, 2020 City Council Meeting.

CHIEF JOHN FOSTER – POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief John Foster, Police Department, did not have new business to report.

GRANT KEENE – CITY ATTORNEY

Grant Keene, City Attorney, did not have new business to report.

TOM O'BRYANT – CITY ADMINISTRATOR

- 1. Acceptance of Water Line/Water Vault Easement with the Bridge Church (Cleveland Church of God)**
 - a. Georgia DOT Phase 3 improvements along Hulsey Road is requiring the movement and relocation of water and sewer infrastructure including vaults with meter equipment serving the businesses along the road.
 - b. The slope in the design of the route in front of the Bridge Church located at 607 Hulsey Road will cause the water vault serving the church and facility to protrude out of the ground several feet. At this location the vault will be difficult to service and not look very attractive.
 - c. The church and DOT contractor agreed to move the vault out of the right-of-way onto the church property. The City will need an easement from the church to service the equipment in the vault. The church has signed an easement agreement with the City for the water utility vault.
 - d. City Council will need to vote to accept the easement agreement from the Bridge Church (Cleveland Church of God).

On motion by Nan Bowen, seconded by Bradley Greene, and carried unanimously, the Mayor Pro Tem and City Council voted to approve the acceptance of the water line/water vault easement with the bridge Church – Cleveland Church of God located on the property on Hulsey Road.

TOM O'BRYANT – CITY ADMINISTRATOR - continued

Mr. O'Bryant stated the move of the vault is a better situation for gaining access to the city-owned equipment within the vault.

2. Renewal of Work Detail Agreement with the Georgia Department of Corrections

- a. The City has contracted for several years with the Georgia Department of Corrections to fund a work detail for public works projects and maintenance within the city.
- b. The agreement is with the Department is an annual contract. The proposed contract is for upcoming FY 2021.
- c. The amount of the agreement contract for FY 2021 is for \$49,318. The scope of services under the contract remain the same as in the current and previous years. The expenditure is divided into several departments for the budget year.
- d. City Council will need to approve the agreement.

Mr. O'Bryant informed the detainees have not been working through the current contract due to the COVID crisis, but the city has not been charged for services during this time. The city was charged for the down time due to the city not having transportation for the detainees. The city has purchased a new van.

On motion by Bradley Greene, seconded by Nan Bowen, and carried unanimously, the Mayor Pro Tem and City Council voted to approved the contract with the Georgia Department of Corrections for the 2020/2021 budget year in the amount of \$49,318.00.

Nan Bowen asked if the contract amount was the same amount paid in the past agreements. Mr. O'Bryant answered no, the contract increase by \$10,000. Mr. O'Bryant informed the department of Corrections has not requested an increase in ten to twelve years.

3. Update on Other City Activities

- a. Beginning in June, City Council meetings will be held at Oak Springs – 342 Campbell Street.
- b. Hearings for the FY21 Budget will be held prior to the June 1 and June 8 City Council meetings. Budget hearings will begin at 6:00 p.m. before the regularly scheduled 6:30 council meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Public comments – there were no public comments from those that participated in the teleconference.

OLD BUSINESS

1. The minutes of April 2020 were signed.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Nan Bowen, seconded by Bradley Greene, and carried unanimously, the Mayor Pro Tem and Council voted to adjourn the City Council Meeting of May 11, 2020 at 6:38 p.m.

VACANT

Office Vacant/open Seat

Mayor

Nan Bowen

Nan Bowen,

Council Member
Ward No. 1

Kevin Stanley

Kevin Stanley,

Council Member
Ward No. 3
Mayor Pro Tem

Bradley Greene

Bradley Greene,

Council Member
Ward No. 4

VACANT

Office Vacant/open Seat

Council Member
Ward No. 2

ATTEST:

Connie Tracas

Connie Tracas,

City Clerk

