

June 14, 2005

The City of Cynthiana Board of Commissioners met in regular session on June 14, 2005 at 7:10 P.M. Present were Mayor Wells, Commissioners Clayton, Doan, and New. Attorney Lair and Commissioner Martin were both absent.

Mayor Wells called the 11th regular meeting to order. Mayor Wells advised June 14 is Flag Day, and Cynthiana has displayed the flag beautifully in the downtown area. Mayor Wells read the following quotation from President Lyndon Baines Johnson: “ *The men who have guided the destiny of the United States have found the strength for their tasks by going to their knees. The private unity of public men and their God is an enduring source of reassurance for the people of America.*”

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Wells acknowledged City employees and several visitors who were present. She asked if anyone would like to address the Board. Police Officer David Powers requested to speak on behalf of the Police Department.

EMPLOYEES STATE THEIR
OPINION ON HEALTH
INSURANCE PREMIUMS

Officer Powers stated the employees were discouraged due to the information received advising that employees were going to start paying for a portion of their health insurance. Officer Powers also stated the Police Department was in need of more manpower. He explained the situations on the streets have become very volatile, and extra manpower is needed to provide backup and complete the required paperwork.

Several other City employees also made pleas for the Board to reconsider the employee co-pay issue on health insurance and to reconsider the cap placed on the insurance premiums by the Board. Employees expressed their appreciation for their jobs and the benefits, but also stated that it is hard to keep up morale when any raise issued will be utilized to pay for health insurance. Some of the lower paid employees will have to use all of their raise and then some to pay their premium. Suggestions for cutting expenses were made by several employees.

Commissioner Doan responded that the City had worked very hard to find a good health insurance plan, however, after the paperwork was issued on the renewed plan with Anthem, another plan was presented. A workshop was held at 6:00 P.M. tonight with Bluegrass Family Health.

Commissioner Doan stated that surrounding cities have their employees pay a portion of their health insurance. The premium increase this year alone was 23%. The City cannot continue to pay the full amount on this coverage. He stated the City can stretch their budget dollars only so far.

City Clerk McIlvain advised that in the future, the City may not have any options since cities and counties may be mandated into the state government self-funded plan. These plans are typically not good plans.

Mayor Wells advised Cynthiana needs to get new industry in order to bring more revenues to the table. Mayor Wells thanked each employee for their input, and felt that there

were valid points made by all. She stated the Board had worked long and hard on resolving the health insurance issue, and, hopefully, a decision could be made later in the meeting.

The next order of business was the approval of the minutes of the meeting held May 24, 2005. Commissioner Clayton made a motion to approve the minutes of May 24, 2005 as printed. Commissioner New seconded. In favor: Commissioner Clayton: yes; Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Wells: yes; Opposed: none. Minutes approved.

MINUTES OF 5/24/2005
APPROVED

A special meeting was held on June 2, 2005. Commissioner Clayton made a motion to accept the minutes of June 2, 2005 special meeting. Commissioner Doan seconded. In favor: Commissioner Clayton: yes; Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Wells: yes; Opposed: none. Minutes approved.

MINUTES OF 6/2/2005
APPROVED – SPEC. MTG.

A special meeting was held on June 8, 2005. Commissioner Clayton made a motion to accept the minutes of June 8, 2005 special meeting. Commissioner New seconded. In favor: Commissioner Clayton: yes; Commissioner Doan: abstained due to absence; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Wells: yes; Opposed: none. Minutes approved.

MINUTES OF 6/8/2005
APPROVED – SPEC. MTG.

A special meeting was held on June 9, 2005. Commissioner Doan made a motion to accept the minutes of June 9, 2005 special meeting. Commissioner New seconded. In favor: Commissioner Clayton: yes; Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner New: abstained; Mayor Wells: yes; Opposed: none. Minutes approved.

MINUTES OF 6/9/2005
APPROVED – SPEC. MTG.

Mayor Wells advised she had attended the following meetings:

MAYOR'S REPORT

May 2, 2005	58 th Annual Homemaker's meeting at Cynthiana Country Club Bluegrass Water Supply Commission in Georgetown, Ky.
May 3, 2005	Civil War Battle fields meeting at Sheriff's Office/WCYN Radio
May 5, 2005	Economic Development Authority National Day of Prayer at Covenant Presbyterian Church Funeral for Senator Ed Miller Funeral for Asst. Fire Chief J. T. Baldwin
May 6, 2005	Meeting with Wm. Kelly about plans for Grist Mill Day Funeral for Shearle J. Hicks
May 12, 2005	Recreation Board Meeting
May 13, 2005	Bluegrass Water Supply Commission
May 16, 2005	Bluegrass Water Supply Commission Paris, Ky. City Hall
May 19, 2005	Guest of Rotary Club Science Fair –St. Edward's Catholic
May 20, 2005	Democratic Women's Club – Speaker Senator R. J. Palmer
May 25, 2005	Renaissance on Main meeting at City Hall
May 26, 2005	Meeting on PRIDE grant with Tom Leith, Steve Moses, Kathy Brooks, and Candida

MEETINGS ATTENDED

Lewis
 Harrison Memorial Hospital training for
 Board members

May 27, 2005 Kentucky Regional Cable Commissioner @
 Winchester, Ky. City Hall
 Class of 2005 graduation and reception in
 honor of City Attorney John Lair –
 Commencement Address

May 28, 2005 Grist Mill Day VIII sponsored by the Kelly
 Family to benefit the Museum

May 30, 2005 Memorial Day Service – Court House
 Mayor's Welcome & remarks given – 3
 former POW's present were recognized
 Hershel "Huck" Turner, Jack Owen, Jimmie
 Haggard

May 31, 2005 Appointment with Governor Ernie Fletcher
 accompanied by Ed Herrington in Frankfort

Commissioner Clayton made a motion to appoint Mayor Wells to the Planning & Zoning Update Committee. Commissioner New seconded. In favor: Commissioner Clayton: yes; Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Wells: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

MOTION TO APPOINT
 MAYOR WELLS TO P & Z
 UPDATE COMMITTEE

Commissioner Clayton made a motion to appoint Dave Kennedy to the Planning & Zoning Update Committee. Commissioner Doan seconded. In favor: Commissioner Clayton: yes; Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Wells: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

MOTION TO APPOINT
 DAVE KENNEDY TO P & Z
 UPDATE COMMITTEE

Mayor Wells made the following statement concerning the local Cable 6 channel:

STATEMENT ON CABLE 6
 LOCAL CHANNEL

"My remarks are in reference to the programming on Cable 6 in the showing of the City Commission meetings.

On June 1, for example, no City Commission meeting was being shown. The scheduling stated that the April 28, 2005 City Commission meeting is supposed to be shown. If that is a fact, no May meetings were shown at all.

I try very hard to make announcements about upcoming events, services, etc., but as it turns out – with meetings not shown – it is of no value to the citizens who live in Cynthiana. You may not see the meetings at all or at 2:00 A.M. in the morning or you may not see them until 45-60 days later.

Since I have been the Mayor, I have wanted the meetings televised so the viewers who watch and listen become informed about City government, however, the scheduling of these bi-monthly meetings have no place but the bottom of the priority lists in the school programming.

The service the City provides through its franchise agreement with the Cable company for the school systems receives zero consideration in scheduling

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when it comes to the City Commission.

I am sorry. I wish my voice and your voice could be heard and the bi-monthly meetings of the City Commission could be shown in a timely manner for the good of the City.”

Commissioner New made a motion to reappoint Kevin Sullivan to the Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustments. Term expires May 26, 2009. Commissioner Doan seconded. In favor: Commissioner Clayton: yes; Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Wells: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

MOTION TO REAPPOINT
KEVIN SULLIVAN TO P & Z
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

Commissioner Clayton made a motion to reappoint Jeff Claypool to the Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustments. Commissioner Doan seconded. Term expires May 26, 2009. In favor: Commissioner Clayton: yes; Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Wells: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

MOTION TO REAPPOINT
JEFF CLAYPOOL TO P & Z
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

Mayor Wells wrote the following correspondence:

MAYOR'S CORRESPONDENCE

- Memo requesting the Police Dept. patrol Business Park II
- Memo advising City personnel that the basket dam at Lair has been re-installed.
- Letter recommending Cedar Ridge Health Campus as "Campus of the Year".
- Memos concerning complaints about property condition.
- Memo requesting the Police Dept. patrol downtown businesses.
- Memo concerning blacktop requests
- Memo concerning the pump at the Main Licking River
- Letter of regret to Bethany McElresh
- Letter to landlords re: Code Enforcement
- Memo to WTP personnel to advise water is #1.
- Memo advising the Police Dept. of the celebration at the Macedonia Baptist Church.
- Thank you notes from Ofc. Terry Gray and Jim Sapp

Mayor Wells received the following correspondence:

- Governor Fletcher advised that he had responded to a letter from Thomas Francis on Bridge Street.
- Representative Ben Chandler has written a letter re: Preserve America.
- A letter advising of a meeting Thursday at Scott Co. regarding Elder Abuse
- A copy of a letter from Chris Ford to Will Linder regarding the Hazard Mitigation Project
- Letter from the Ky. Archeological Survey advising there were no graves found at the Handy Farm.
- Letter from Wm. Hubbard, supervisor of the WTP.
- Letter from Dale North, Jim Sapp, Nick Dotson, and Donnie Brooks concerning water treatment.

Mayor Wells presented a proclamation declaring June 25, 2005 as Cynthiana High School Day. A copy is hereto

CYNTHIANA HIGH SCHOOL
PROCLAMATION

attached and made a part hereof.

The Local Emergency Planning Committee will meeting 6/19/2005 at the local Harrison County Volunteer Fire Dept. on Oddville Avenue.

A meeting for local industry leaders and HR Directors will be held 6/22/2005 at Concept Packaging sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. The meeting will start 11:45 A.M.

Mayor Wells asked the Board if they were ready to decide on the health insurance issue. Commissioner New felt he needed more time to study the proposal. City Clerk McIlvain and Asst. Human Resource Director Burns stated they felt confident that they could recommend the Board approve the Bluegrass Family Health coverage. The employees will not have to pay out of pocket for any of this insurance.

Commissioner Clayton made a motion to go with the Bluegrass Family Health insurance package (80/20) effective July 1, 2005 with no out of pocket expenses to the employees. Commissioner Doan seconded. In favor: Commissioner Clayton: yes; Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Wells: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

After a discussion, the Board decided to wait until the next meeting to have the second reading of Ordinance #1397.

Commissioner Doan made a motion to authorize Mayor Wells to sign a letter to engage Ray, Foley, and Hensley to perform the audit for 2004-2005. Cost not to exceed \$12,000.00. If an A-133 is required, and additional \$2000.00 will be added. Commissioner New seconded. In favor: Commissioner Clayton: yes; Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Wells: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

Commissioner Doan requested a five (5) minute recess.

Upon return from the recess, Mayor Wells requested a report from Commissioner Clayton.

Commissioner Clayton made a motion to award chemicals to the following bidders:

- General Products & Supply 55 gallon Filter Wall Cleaner
- Univar USA Inc. 150# Cylinders Chlorine
 150# Cylinders Sulfur Dioxide
 55 Gal. Potassium Permanganate
- Ulrich Chemical (3" Pucks) HTH Chlorine
 55 Gal. Ferric Chloride
 5 Gal. Sulfuric Acid
- Carmeuse Natl. Chemical 50# Bags Lime
- Premier Products & Services Sewer Solvent
 Floculant

MEETINGS

RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT BLUEGRASS FAMILY HEALTH AS INSURANCE CARRIER

MOTION TO ACCEPT BLUEGRASS FAMILY HEALTH AS THE CITY'S HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER FOR NEXT FISCAL YEAR

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE LTR. OF ENGAGEMENT WITH RAY, FOLEY & HENSLEY

5 MINUTE RECESS

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

MOTION TO AWARD CHEMICAL BIDS

Latex Gloves
Instant Hand Sanitizer

Klear Chemical Enzymes
 Deodorant Blocks
 Aluminum SS Cleaner

Brenntag MidSouth 1 Ton Cyl. Chlorine
 100# Drum HTH Granular
 Chlorine
 50# Bags Carbon
 55 Gal. Drum Flouride
 Degreaser

Applied Specialities Inc. Alummer

Commissioner New seconded. In favor: Commissioner Clayton: yes; Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Wells: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

Commissioner Clayton made a motion to award the bid for laboratory fees for fiscal year 7/1/2005 – 6/30/2006 to Fouser Environmental Inc. Commissioner New seconded. In favor: Commissioner Clayton: yes; Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Wells: yes; Opposed: none. Minutes approved.

MOTION TO AWARD LAB FEE
BID

Mayor Wells requested a report from Public Works Department, Commissioner James R. New.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Commissioner New made a motion to hire Ralph Lee Rivera as a temporary Maintenance Worker I in the Public Works department effective May 31, 2005 at an hourly rate of \$7.79. Commissioner Clayton seconded. In favor: Commissioner Clayton: yes; Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Wells: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

MOTION TO HIRE RALPH LEE
RIVERA AS TEMP. MAINT.
WORKER I IN PUBLIC WORKS

Commissioner New commended Public Works for the good job they did on Webster Avenue removing the old sidewalks and curbs.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.
COMMENDED

Mayor Wells recognized Commissioner of Public Finance and Property Wm. C. Doan.

PUBLIC FINANCE AND
PROPERTY REPORT

Commissioner Doan made a motion to pay the following bills:

BILLS

General Fund	\$77,339.63
Water Fund	\$81,227.59

Cash-in-Bank General Fund	\$1,032,362.10
Cash-in-Bank Water Fund	248,533.78
Municipal Aid Road Fund	21,239.56

Commissioner New seconded. In favor: Commissioner Clayton: yes; Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Wells: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

Commissioner Doan made a report on the budget work that

BUDGET WORK REPORT

has been ongoing:

- The new budget ordinance will be read on June 21, 2005 at 2:00 P.M. The second reading will be held June 28, 2005, at the regular scheduled meeting.
- The 3.26% increase for employees totals to \$86,024.00.
- \$70,000 has been earmarked for the Economic Development Authority.
- \$50,000.00 has been budgeted for the E-911 Center. (They originally requested \$76,000.00.)
- The City's liability, property, casualty, auto & worker's compensation insurance premium will be \$314,488.00. If paid by June 28, 2005, the City will receive a 2% discount.

In the absence of Commissioner Martin, Commissioner Doan read a letter of resignation from Police Officer Danny Parrott.

MOTION TO ACCEPT
RESIGNATION OF OFFICER
DANNY PARROTT EFFECTIVE
5/27/2005

Commissioner Doan made a motion to accept the resignation of Danny Parrott from the Police Department effective 5/27/2005. Commissioner New seconded. In favor: Commissioner Clayton: yes; Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Wells: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

Commissioner Doan made a motion to assign the duties of the Code Enforcement Director to Terry Stinson effective immediately . Commissioner New seconded. In favor: Commissioner Clayton: yes; Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Wells: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

MOTION TO ASSIGN DUTIES OF
CODE ENFORCEMENT
DIRECTOR TO TERRY STINSON

Mayor Wells recognized Beth Hutchison, Renaissance Director. Ms. Hutchinson stated she felt she was working with people of character at the City of Cynthiana. The employees seem to make a lot of effort to look for solutions and are generous with their information.

RENAISSANCE
DIRECTOR REPORT

One of the first steps to revitalize downtown is for the citizens to share with the shop owners what they want for their downtown and what they want to be able to purchase in downtown Cynthiana.

Ms. Hutchinson visited a *Preserve America* city and a city that had also revitalized their downtown area in Tennessee. They were able to increase the value of the property in a significant way . Hopefully, this can be accomplished for Cynthiana.

Mayor Wells expressed her appreciation for citizens and employees attending the Commission meeting and expressing their views. She stated she felt the process was democracy in action.

Commissioner Clayton thanked Public Works for the repair of the water leak over last weekend.

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Clayton made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Doan

ADJOURNMENT

seconded. In favor: Commissioner Clayton: yes;
Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner New: yes;
Mayor Wells: yes; Opposed: none. Meeting adjourned at
9.42 P.M.

Charleen McIlvain, City Clerk Virgie Florence Wells, Mayor