

April 8, 2008

The City of Cynthiana Board of Commissioners met in regular session on April 8, 2008 at 5:30 P.M. Present were Mayor Brown, Attorney Lair, Commissioners Doan, Keith, Martin, and New.

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order.

MEETING CALLED  
TO ORDER

The first order of business was the approval of the minutes from March 25, 2008. Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve the minutes of March 25, 2008 as presented. Commissioner New seconded. In favor: Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner Keith: yes; Commissioner Martin: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Brown: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

MINUTES OF 3/25/2008  
APPROVED

Mayor Brown recognized Commissioner of Public Safety James H. Martin.

PUBLIC SAFETY  
REPORT

Commissioner Martin made a motion to hire Tony Justice as a full-time certified E-911 Telecommunicator effective March 28, 2008. All pre-employment requirements have been met. Salary to be commensurate with position. Commissioner New seconded. In favor: Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner Keith: yes; Commissioner Martin: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Brown: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

MOTION TO HIRE  
TONY JUSTICE AS  
FULL-TIME CERTIFIED  
E-911  
TELECOMMUNICATOR  
EFFECTIVE 3/28/2008

Commissioner Martin made a motion to offer employment to an individual as a part-time certified E-911 Telecommunicator subject to completing all pre-employment requirements. Commissioner New seconded. In favor: Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner Keith: yes; Commissioner Martin: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Brown: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

MOTION TO OFFER  
EMPLOYMENT TO A  
PART-TIME E-911  
TELECOMMUNICATOR

Mayor Brown recognized Commissioner of Public Finance and Property William C. Doan.

PUBLIC FINANCE &  
PROPERTY REPORT

Commissioner Doan made a motion to pay the following bills:

BILLS

General Fund	\$109,975.17
Water Fund	49,279.96
Cash-in-Bank General Fund	\$370,811.84
Cash-in-Bank Water Fund	\$538,075.73
Municipal Aid Road Fund	\$ 6,840.58

Commissioner Martin seconded. In favor: Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner Keith: yes; Commissioner Martin: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Brown: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

Commissioner Doan advised that bids were received on the mowing of the Handy Farm Park. The bids were opened at 2:00 P.M. April 8, 2008.

BIDS ON MOWING OF  
HANDY FARM

1.) D & Mowing \$900.00

(Disallowed due lack of proof of insurance)

- 2.) Wm. Scott Nelson \$900.00
- 3.) Wayne Stewart, Jr. \$650.00
- 4.) Larry Medlin \$645.00

Commissioner Doan advised that he had spoken with Magistrate Brad Marshall, several members of the Board of Commissioners, and the Fiscal Court. All agreed that Mr. Stewart had done a wonderful job last year. Based upon his records, all agreed that they would like for Mr. Stewart to receive the bid even though Mr. Medlin's bid was \$5.00 lower.

Commissioner Doan made a motion to award the mowing bid on the Handy Farm to Wayne Stewart, Jr. at a price of \$650.00 per mowing subject to concurring action by the Harrison County Fiscal Court. Commissioner Keith seconded. In favor: Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner Keith: yes; Commissioner Martin: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Brown: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

BID AWARD ON  
MOWING TO WAYNE  
STEWART, JR.

Mayor Brown recognized Commissioner of Public Utilities John M. Keith, Jr.

PUBLIC UTILITIES  
REPORT

Commissioner Keith advised that one of his employee, Gary Barrett of the Wastewater Treatment Plant received his GED. In the past, this accomplishment has been awarded with an increase in pay of \$.25 per hour.

Commissioner Keith made a motion to award an increase of \$.25/Hour to Gary Barrett for earning his GED. Commissioner Martin seconded. In favor: Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner Keith: yes; Commissioner Martin: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Brown: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

PAY INCREASE TO  
GARY BARRETT FOR  
EARNING GED

Commissioner Keith reported that the last rain event caused water to get into the web well at the Devil's Backbone pump. This emphasizes that this pump must be moved to higher ground.

HIGH WATER @  
DEVIL'S BACKBONE

Mayor Brown advised that he had received five complaints in one weekend about the flushing of hydrants. He stated that was too many complaints on what is a necessary procedure. Mr. York investigated and learned that the diffusers were not being used consistently. Mr. York has determined that if the water were diverted to a storm drain, it would eliminate all of the complaints.

COMPLAINTS ABOUT  
FLUSHING METHOD

Mayor Brown recognized Commissioner of Public Works James R. New.

PUBLIC WORKS  
REPORT

Commissioner New thanked all the volunteers who worked Saturday and Sunday cleaning up the downtown area. On Saturday over 50 volunteers helped and on Sunday over 40 volunteers worked. The clean-up was a great success, but Commissioner New expressed dismay at some littering as early as today. He commended all the groups that worked, especially, mentioning the Boy Scout Troop 60.

HARRISON CO.  
TOMORROW  
WELCOMING  
CLIMATE TASK FORCE  
CLEAN UP DAYS

Mayor Brown commended everyone who helped with this project.

Mayor Brown requested Attorney John Lair read Ordinance #1446 annexing certain contiguous or adjacent property to the City consisting of approximately 13.411 acres generally lying on the northeast side of the City and east of Ky. Hwy. 62 East and at the intersection of said highway and Republican Pike. Ordinance to be effective May 1, 2008.

ORDINANCE # 1446 –  
(2<sup>nd</sup> Reading) –  
ANNEXATION OF  
13.411 ACRES  
(EASTSIDE SCHOOL)

Commissioner Doan made a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance #1446 annexing the 13.411 acres consisting of the Eastside School effective May 1, 2008. Commissioner Keith seconded. In favor: Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner Keith: yes; Commissioner Martin: abstained because he is an employee of the Harrison County Board of Education; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Brown: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

Attorney Lair read Ordinance #1447 annexing certain contiguous or adjacent property to the City consisting of approximately 13.946 acres generally lying on the west side of the City and South of Kentucky Highway 356. This Ordinance will be become effective by May 1, 2008.

ORDINANCE #144 7 –  
(2<sup>nd</sup> Reading) –  
ANNEXATION OF  
13.946 ACRES  
(WESTSIDE SCHOOL)

Commissioner Keith made a motion to accept the second reading of Ordinance #1447 annexing the 13.946 acres consisting of the Westside Elementary School effective May 1, 2008. Commissioner Doan seconded. In favor: Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner Keith: yes; Commissioner Martin: abstained, because he is an employee of the Harrison County Board of Education; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Brown: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

Mayor Brown reported that he would like to pursue the purchase of cameras to be used in the downtown area. Hopefully, this will deter some of the loitering going on all hours of the night. He would like this Board's approval of this project. Mayor Brown also commented that if the cameras were successful downtown, the Board might consider some for the west side of town.

CAMERAS FOR  
DOWNTOWN AREA –  
APPROVAL OF  
PROJECT

Commissioner Doan stated he felt this was an excellent idea, and that he contacted an individual with considerable knowledge of this type of surveillance.

Commissioner Keith made a motion to authorize Mayor Brown to pursue the acquisition of cameras to be used in the downtown area for surveillance. Commissioner Martin seconded. In favor: Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner Keith: yes; Commissioner Martin: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Brown: yes; Opposed: none. Motion carried.

MOTION TO  
AUTHORIZE MAYOR  
TO PURSUE PROJECT

Mayor Brown advised that in the past the City has partnered with the Harrison County Fiscal Court regarding fireworks for the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration. The Rotary Club is sponsoring this event and would like to have the fireworks display on Friday night. However, a location

FIREWORKS FOR JULY  
4<sup>TH</sup> CELEBRATION

will have to be found since the stadium cannot be used this year. Judge-Executive Alex Barnett has also provided a brochure explaining a different type of fireworks. The normal budgeted amount for this celebration is \$5,000.00.

Mayor Brown asked each Commissioner to review the brochure.

Mayor Brown and Commissioner Doan advised that last Friday they had received a request from an individual who requested a donation from the City to bring the National Guard troops home before deploying to Afghanistan. However, on Saturday, it was reported that a donation of \$49,000.00 was received from a donor from Sturgis, Kentucky. The funds collected have been placed in an escrow fund called the Soldiers Assistance Fund. Paul Colson and Alex Barnett are co-chairmen of this fund. Commissioner Doan felt the City should have a representative on this committee. This fund will be used to provide care packages or assist a soldier's family with a need.

SOLDIERS ASSISTANCE  
FUND

Mayor Brown and the Board stated they want to support our troops, especially since two of these soldiers are City employees. However, a monetary donation to this fund from the City may not be appropriate.

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Keith made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Doan seconded. In favor: Commissioner Doan: yes; Commissioner Keith: yes; Commissioner Martin: yes; Commissioner New: yes; Mayor Brown: yes; Opposed: none. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Brown reminded the Board that the Joint Meeting would convene at the Extension Office as soon as all members arrive. After the joint meeting, Mayor Brown urged each Commissioner to attend the town meeting on behalf of teenage drinking at the Cynthiana Christian Church.

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Charleen McIlvain, City Clerk

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James A. Brown, Mayor