

City of Crittenden
City Council Meeting
Crittenden City Meeting
September 3, 2019
7 p.m.

Council for the City of Crittenden met for its regular meeting with the following present:

Mayor Camilla “Kay” Patton; Councilperson Joseph Dusing; Councilperson Danny Martin; Councilperson Jennifer Thurman- Humphrey; Councilperson Todd Roberts; Councilperson Earlene Stumbo; City Attorney Alex Edmondson; City Council Legal Counsel Pete Whaley; City PR Representative Donna Duley. Absent: Councilperson Paula Lowery. Guest: See sign in sheet which is attached to the minutes.

Mayor Patton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilperson Jennifer Thurman-Humphrey asked to add the citizen’s comments to the agenda.

Motion by Councilperson Jennifer Humphrey, seconded by Earlene Stumbo to approve the agenda with the addition of citizen’s comments from Councilperson Humphrey. The vote was: Councilperson Danny Martin –yes; Councilperson Todd Robert –yes; Councilperson Earlene Stumbo –yes; Councilperson Paula Lowery – absent; Councilperson Joseph Dusing –yes; Councilperson Jennifer Humphrey –yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Councilperson Todd Roberts to accept the minutes with the change of wording on the last page to No action was taken, seconded by Councilperson Joe Dusing. The vote was: Councilperson Danny Martin –abstained; Councilperson Todd Robert –yes; Councilperson Earlene Stumbo –yes; Councilperson Paula Lowery – absent; Councilperson Joseph Dusing – yes; Councilperson Jennifer Humphrey –yes. Motion carried.

Councilperson Humphrey asked about the why the council didn’t received a line item budget report. The clerk informed council that at the working meeting they asked for a quarterly line item budget report. Councilperson Humphrey stated she would like to a line item budget report monthly.

Motion by Councilperson Jennifer Humphrey seconded by Councilperson Joe Dusing to approve the treasurer reports from July and August 2019. The vote was: Councilperson Danny Martin – yes; Councilperson Todd Robert –yes; Councilperson Earlene Stumbo –yes; Councilperson Paula Lowery – absent; Councilperson Joseph Dusing –yes; Councilperson Jennifer Humphrey – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Councilperson Joe Dusing, seconded by Councilperson Danny Martin to approve Ordinance #275-2019 and ordinance establishing the salary of the alcohol beverage control administrator of city of Crittenden, Grant County, Kentucky and Repealing Ordinance 249-2016. The vote was: Councilperson Danny Martin –yes; Councilperson Todd Robert –yes;

Councilperson Earlene Stumbo –yes; Councilperson Paula Lowery – absent; Councilperson Joseph Dusing –yes; Councilperson Jennifer Humphrey –yes. Motion carried.

The mayor suggested to look at lowering the taxes. The council discuss the compensating rate and who figured the rate. The clerk told them that Bottom Line Services took the assessments from the Grant County Property Valuation Office and then figured of the compensating tax rate. After discussion by council then Councilperson Roberts suggested to not go with the compensating rate of \$0.185 and give a little cushion and go with the tax rate of \$0.190. Since the city does not know if the Oakwood Drive Project is going to be funded.

Motion by Councilperson Todd Roberts, seconded by Councilperson Joe Dusing to lower the tax rate of \$0.203 to \$0.190 per one hundred dollars of assessed value of all real and personal property tax. The vote was: Councilperson Danny Martin –yes; Councilperson Todd Robert – yes; Councilperson Earlene Stumbo –yes; Councilperson Paula Lowery – absent; Councilperson Joseph Dusing –yes; Councilperson Jennifer Humphrey –yes. Motion carried.

Council heard the 1st reading of Ordinance No. 277-2019 an ordinance setting the tax rate of \$0.190 for tax year 2019.

The Mayor table Ordinance #278-2019 regarding short term rentals since it wasn't prepared.

Grant County Chief Deputy Sheriff Todd Cummins gave a monthly report to the Mayor and Council.

Crittenden Fire Chief Lee Burton wasn't able to attend the meeting.

Mayor Patton announced that Lee Burton is the new Code Enforcement Officer.

Mayor Patton informed council that she had received 3 bids for the surveying of the property at 208 North Main Street. The lowest bid was \$1,300.00.

Councilperson Dusing said he looked at the zoning around the property at 208 North Main Street and he would suggest it be zoned Highway Commercial.

Councilperson Martin suggested that the City get some price comparisons of property around 208 North Main Street.

The mayor informed council the city is looking at renting a dumpster to clean out the house.

Councilperson Humphrey asked if the price of the property change depending on the zone.

Councilperson Humphrey took the podium to address some citizen's comments.

Mayor Patton asked Councilperson Danny Martin if he wanted to do the ABC job and if so could he still be on city council.

Councilperson Danny Martin doesn't want the ABC job if he can't be on council.

Mayor Patton informed Carolyn Horn that she had reached out to Joe Montgomery regarding the veteran's banners in the spring. Mrs. Horn said she talked to Joe and he would be more than glad to come to a council meeting. Mayor Patton said she would see if Mr. Montgomery could attend the October Meeting.

Motion by Councilperson Joe Dusing, seconded by Councilperson Jennifer Humphrey to get council's endorsement to send a second letter to the attorney general's office. The vote was: Councilperson Danny Martin –yes; Councilperson Todd Robert –yes; Councilperson Earlene Stumbo –no; Councilperson Paula Lowery – absent; Councilperson Joseph Dusing –yes; Councilperson Jennifer Humphrey –yes. Motion carried.

Councilperson Martin wanted to thank the City, Mayor, Council & Employees for the flowers, food and those who attended the funeral of his wife.

Motion by Councilperson Jennifer Humphrey, seconded by Councilperson Danny Martin to adjourn to next regular meeting October 2, 2019. Motion carried, all yes.

Camilla "Kay" Patton
Mayor

Megan Simpson
City Clerk / Treasurer