

CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS
Special Council Meeting Minutes
September 15, 2020
Approved: October 6, 2020

On Tuesday, September 15, 2020, at 7:02 p.m. Mayor Meyers called the Special Meeting of the Highland Heights City Council to order. This was a virtual meeting via Zoom and streamed live on the City of Highland Heights Facebook page.

Attendance Roll Call: Councilmembers: Deborah Ball, yes; Gary Chinn, yes; Rene Heinrich, yes; John Hoffert, yes; and Virgil Miller, yes; Mayor Meyers, yes. A quorum was present.

Absent: Councilmember Michael Kessler notified the Clerk before the meeting that he would not be able to attend.

Staff Present: Attorney, Tom Edge; City Clerk/Treasurer, Jeanne Pettit.

Announcements/Correspondence

- Notice of the special meeting, along with an agenda and meeting materials, were emailed to all council members and city staff. Email notifications and agendas were sent to media organizations, who have requested notification. A notice and the agenda were posted on the door of the City Building and on the City's website. An announcement was also posted on the City's Facebook page.
- All council votes will be taken by roll call vote.

Minutes for Approval

Special Meeting Council Minutes of September 1, 2020. These minutes were previously e-mailed to the Mayor, Council Members, and City Staff for review.

- **Action Taken:** Member Chinn made a motion to accept the minutes from the special council meeting of September 1, 2020. Seconded by Member Miller
Discussion: None.
 - **Roll Call:** Member Ball, yes; Chinn, yes; Heinrich, yes; Hoffert, yes; Miller, yes. Mayor Meyers declared the motion passed.

Public Hearing Council Minutes of September 11, 2020. These minutes were previously e-mailed to the Mayor, Council Members, and City Staff for review.

- **Action Taken:** Member Miller made a motion to accept the minutes from the public hearing of September 11, 2020. Seconded by Member Ball.
Discussion: None.
 - **Roll Call:** Member Miller, yes; Chinn, yes; Heinrich, abstain; Hoffert, yes; Ball, yes. Mayor Meyers declared the motion passed.

Staff Reports

- City Attorney – Tom Edge
 - **Action Taken:** Member Chinn made a motion to take the 1.61/\$1,000 tax rate, compensating rate plus 4%. Seconded by Member Hoffert.
Discussion: None.
 - **Roll Call:** Member Hoffert, yes; Ball, yes; Heinrich, yes; Miller, yes; Chinn, yes. Mayor Meyers declared the motion passed.

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- **Second Reading of Ordinance**
 - **Ordinance #09-2020** – An ordinance assessing and levying an ad valorem tax on the property within the city of Highland Heights, Kentucky and imposing interest and penalties thereon.
 - **Action Taken:** Member Chinn made a motion to accept Ordinance #09-2020, an ordinance assessing and levying an ad valorem tax, at a rate of 1.61 per thousand, on property within the City of Highland Heights and imposing interest and penalties thereon. Seconded by Member Miller. Discussion: None.
 - **Roll Call:** Member Heinrich, yes; Hoffert, yes; Chinn, yes; Ball, yes; Miller, yes. Mayor Meyers declared the motion passed.

New Business

- We will continue to hold virtual council meetings since only 10 people are permitted to gather at public meetings.
- At the weekly Mayors' meeting, mayors agreed to have Halloween trick-or-treating on October 31. The purpose is to prevent only a few cities allowing trick-or-treating and being overwhelmed with children being brought in from cities not offering trick-or-treating. Highland Heights will have trick-or-treating from 6:00-7:30 p.m.
- The children's Halloween and Christmas parties have been cancelled.

Old Business

- Arbor Day October 3. Drive through for a raffle for a gift card to purchase a tree.


Adjournment

- **Action Taken:** Member Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Member Chinn Discussion: None.
 - **Roll Call:** Member Chinn, yes; Heinrich, yes; Miller, yes; Ball, yes; Hoffert, yes. Mayor Meyers declared the motion passed.

There were no comments from the Facebook Live streaming.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:23 p.m. on Tuesday, September 15, 2020.

Submitted by: 
Jeanne M. Pettit, City Clerk/Treasurer

Signed: 
Gregory V. Meyers, Mayor