

**CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS
COUNCIL MINUTES
NOVEMBER 15, 2016**

On Tuesday, November 15, 2016 Mayor Meyers called the Council meeting to order at 176 Johns Hill Road at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Meyers, Council Members: Deborah Ball, Gary Chinn, Scott Reincke, Scott Sedmak, Dave Ramler and Jeanne Pettit. A quorum was present.

Also present: Attorney Steve Franzen, Public Works Director Steve Lehman and Jean Rauf, City Clerk/Treasurer.

PRAYER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: After Member Chinn delivered the prayer, everyone said the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

PRESENTATION OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 1, 2016: These minutes had been previously distributed to the Mayor, Councilmembers and City Staff for review.

ACTION TAKEN: MEMBER PETTIT MOVED TO APPROVE THE REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 1, 2016, SECONDED BY MEMBER SEDMAK. DISCUSSION: NONE. MAYOR MEYERS DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

CORRESPONDENCE: Mayor Meyers announced the City received the check from the Country Cruisers in the amount of \$200.00. Mayor Meyers also announced that the giving tree and barrel for non-perishable items for the Pantry of Hope are in the lobby.

ACTION TAKEN: MEMBER BALL MADE A MOTION TO DONATE THE CHECK FROM THE COUNTRY CRUISERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200.00 TO THE PANTRY OF HOPE SECONDED BY MEMBER PETTIT. DISCUSSION: NONE. MAYOR MEYERS DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

STAFF REPORTS:

FINANCE – MEMBERS PETTIT AND SEDMAK.: Mayor Meyers reported he met with the Finance Committee about the call bonds on the City Building and receiving the better rate and having a savings. Mr. Franzen has a First Reading of the Ordinance of the issuance of general obligation refunding bonds.

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ACTION TAKEN: MEMBER PETTIT MADE A MOTION FOR ATTORNEY FRANZEN TO READ IN SUMMARY THE ORDINANCE #09-2016 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SECONDED BY MEMBER BALL. DISCUSSION: NONE. MAYOR MEYERS DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

CITY ATTORNEY FRANZEN READ THE FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE #09-2016 IN SUMMARY: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS, KENTUCKY AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS. SERIES 2017 IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,540,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING IN ADVANCE OF MATURITY ALL OR A PORTION OF THE OUTSTANDING CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS, KENTUCKY GENERAL OBLIGATION PUBLIC PROJECT BONDS SERIES 2009, THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH WERE USED TO FINANCE THE COSTS OF THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION INSTALLATION AND EQUIPPING OF A NEW MUNICIPAL BUILDING IN THE CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS, KENTUCKY; APPROVING THE FORM OF BONDS; AUTHORIZING DESIGNATED OFFICERS TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER THE BONDS; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE FILING OF NOTICE WITH THE STATE LOCAL DEBT OFFICER; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT AND SECURITY OF THE BONDS; CREATING A BOND PAYMENT FUND; MAINTAINING THE HERETOFORE ESTABLISHED SINKING FUND; AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE BID OF THE BOND PURCHASER FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE BONDS; AND REPEALING INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES.

PUBLIC WORKS – Public Works Director Lehman reported they are replacing the asphalt sidewalk along the City Building and park grounds. They started this project in sections in order to complete the project he would like Councils approve to spend an extra \$535.00. Member Ball asked if there is a way to straighten out the panels at the Memorial. Mr. Lehman will check with the contractor to see what could be done.

ACTION TAKEN: MEMBER PETTIT MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE \$535.00 FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE SIDEWALK PROJECT; SECONDED BY MEMBER CHINN. DISCUSSION: NONE. MAYOR MEYERS DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

SAFETY – MEMBERS BALL AND RAMLER. No report.

BEAUTIFICATION – MEMBERS BALL AND CHINN. Member Ball reported they will meet with Chief Birkenhauer and Officer Fornash to discuss Code Enforcement.

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DEVELOPMENT - MEMBERS PETTIT AND REINCKE. The Mayor reported he met with Southbank about applying for a grant to put a pedestrian walkway above US27 by Marshall Ave., in accordance with the comprehensive plan.

INFRASTRUCTURE – MEMBERS CHINN AND RAMLER. Member Ramler reported the sidewalk is in at Carmack Part.

COMMUNICATION – MEMBERS REINCKE AND SEDMAK. No Report.

PARKS & RECREATION: The Veterans Day Ceremony Saturday, November 12, 2016 was well attended. Suggestions were made to provide bus transportation to the new senior citizen center next year.

GOOD NEIGHBOR AWARD: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: The Council will meet on the Sunday after Thanksgiving to decorate the tree at 1:30 p.m. Breakfast with Santa is Saturday, December 17, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

CITIZENS TO DISCUSS COUNCIL: Bonnie Heister, 114 Ridge Hill Drive addressed Council about the noise and safety concerns at Carmack Park. Ms. Heister reported that a men's organized basketball league has been playing in Carmack Park all day on the weekends. She said there is loud music being played; they are using offensive language; there is smoking in the park and this continues long after the park closes. She reported that the Police had been very responsive to their calls, but would like to see more done. She reported the sign to the park that states "Park Closes at Dusk" is gone. She suggested that some notices should be posted. **OUTCOME:** Mayor Meyers asked Mr. Lehman to take down the basketball goal until further notice. He also reported that he would also contact Chief Birkenhauer to add the area to their patrols.

There being no further business **MEMBER SEDMAK MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AND WAS SECONDED BY MEMBER PETTIT. MAYOR MEYERS DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:30PM.

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SUBMITTED BY: 
JEAN A. RAUF, CITY CLERK TREASURER

SIGNED: 
GREGORY V. MEYERS, MAYOR