

**City of Pioneer Village  
Regular City Council Meeting  
May 26, 2015**

Regular Meeting of the Pioneer Village City Council was held at City Hall Becknall Community Center, 4700 Summitt Drive, Louisville, KY 40229. Gary W. Hatcher called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Peggy Druin, Dorleen Garrett, Darlene Herps, Denver Matthews, Phillip Radford, and Gary Wilson. Also in attendance were City Clerk Ricki Daniels and City Attorney Mark Edison.

Peggy Druin made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes for April. Darlene Herps 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. Peggy Druin made a motion to accept the minutes for April. Dorleen Garrett 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Dorleen Garrett made a motion to accept the financial report for April. Darlene Herps 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Business License Fees:** Mark Edison gave the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance #2015-01, setting new rates for business license fees. Peggy Druin made a motion to accept Ordinance 2015-01 as read. Gary Wilson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Repair of Culverts on Pioneer Trail:** Mayor Hatcher provided a bid for repair of culverts under driveways on three properties located on Pioneer Trail. Councilman Gary Wilson stated he felt the city would be setting a precedent to repair culverts of driveways. He stated homeowners must maintain their driveway, even though the driveway is on the right of way. Gary Wilson made a motion to take no action on the repair of the driveways, except to offer the homeowner the City's cost of the tile if they were to have driveway repaired. Peggy Druin 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Speed Limit along Hwy 61:** Mayor Hatcher reported that the City had been notified by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet that since Preston is still considered under construction a speed study cannot be conducted within an active construction zone; once the construction is complete the speed limit may be evaluated.

**Gibson Property:** Mayor Hatcher invited Lee Guillaume with Commonwealth Bank to speak about their offer of financing the Gibson property. His offer consists of a 2.6% fixed rate for 7 years to adjust every five years thereafter at WSJ price-0.50%. 2.6% would be the bottom. Annual payment estimate would be \$14,504.55 due yearly. Fees would be approximately \$1,579.00. There would be no prepayment penalty in last year of each period. Gary Wilson stated Forcht Bank could not compete with the offer from Commonwealth Bank. Peggy Druin stated Peoples Bank of Bullitt County withdrew their option to make an offer a. Mayor Hatcher asked for a motion to table the discussion to discuss other revenue options. Gary Wilson made a motion to table the discussion on the financing. Peggy Druin 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Gibson Property:** Darlene Herps made a motion to remove from the table the discussion of the financing options of the Gibson property. Peggy Druin 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. Peggy Druin stated she felt with the increase of revenue from the occupational tax rate she felt the Council should proceed with the financing option given by Commonwealth Bank to purchase the Gibson property. She made a motion to accept the offer from Commonwealth Bank. Gary Wilson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Occupational Tax Increase:** Mayor Hatcher suggested to the Council the possibility of raising the occupational tax from 1% to 1.5 % which would increase the revenue by approximately \$37,000 a year. He stated that Hillview and Shepherdsville were currently at 1.5%. He stated the Council might consider raising the rate to 1.5% to assist

paying for the property as well as using some of the proposed increase in revenue in other areas of the budget. In addition, he stated that because our population is continuing to age, our revenue from property tax is decreasing due to the homestead exemption. He stated if the City took \$30,000 of the increase in the occupational revenue the loan could likely be paid off in 7 years or less. After a short discussion Gary Wilson made a motion to raise the occupational tax rate from 1 % to 1.5%. Peggy Druin 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All were in favor motion carried. Mark Edison gave the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance #2015-03, establishing the Occupational Tax Rate.

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Budget Ordinance #2015-02:** Mark Edison gave the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance #2015-02 setting the budget for 2015/2016.

### **COUNCIL BUSINESS**

Councilman Wilson reminded the Mayor about looking at drainage issues in Meadowbrook. Mayor Hatcher stated he still plans on looking at the problem.

### **POLICE**

Chief Reynolds reported that Officer Roederer's recovery from surgery is going well. He stated he will now have to go in for gall bladder surgery, with his return scheduled possibly in August.

Chief Reynolds stated that the stop sign has been installed on Lodie Lane, and the detour sign will be removed soon also. He stated there should be a dead end sign added as well.

Chief Reynolds reported that Officer Marvin Long, a former Pioneer Village police officer from many years ago recently passed away. The City provided a plaque to the family in his honor and Chief Reynolds served as a pall bearer.

### **PLANNING AND ZONING REPORT**

Tony Thompson reported there had been no zoning changes directly affecting the City of Pioneer Village.

### **PUBLIC BUSINESS**

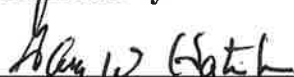
County Attorney John Wooldridge thanked Pioneer Village for sending an officer to the funeral of Officer Marin Long.


### **ADJOURNMENT**

Dorleen Garrett made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Gary Wilson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.

Signed this 23rd day of June, 2015.

**Submitted by:**

  
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Gary W. Hatcher

  
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Mark Edison, City Attorney

**Attested by:**

  
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Recka Daniels, City Clerk

**City of Pioneer Village  
Regular Meeting of Council June 23, 2015**