

**Stanford City Council
Regular Council Meeting
Lincoln County Public Library Meeting Room
6:30 pm, March 13th, 2025**

I. Call to Order, Welcome, Pledge and Prayer

Mayor Miller called to order the Regular Council Meeting of the Stanford City Council at 6:30 pm on Thursday, March 13th, 2025. All recited the pledge to the U.S. Flag after which Councilman Jerry Wilkinson opened the meeting with prayer.

II. Roll Call

A roll call was conducted with the following members present: Eddie Carter, Jason Hignite, Joe Tackett and Jerry Wilkinson. Absent were Ronnie Deatherage and Bill Miracle. A quorum was declared by the Mayor.

Also present were: Police Chief Zach Middleton, Captain Jeremy Garrison, Fire Chief Scott Maples, City Attorney John Hackley, Family Court Judge Jane Adams Venters, Melynda Jamison, Jennifer Lamb and Ben Kleppinger with CASA along with volunteers Terry Huffman, Susan Maupin and Priscilla Miller; Danielle Davis and Derek R Eubanks with Fibernet, and citizens Linda Denham, Ruth Spaw and Lucille Sudduth.

III. Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Councilman Tackett (2nd by Councilman Wilkinson) to approve the minutes from the February 13th, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

IV. Presidential Volunteer Service Awards Presentation by Melynda Jamison with CASA of Lexington

Ms. Melynda Jamison started off by saying THANK YOU to our city for their financial support. She is proud to announce that they now have financial support from 9 counties and 7 cities in their service area. She shared that CASA stands for Court Appointed Special Advocate and the biggest thing they need help with is recruiting volunteers.

SERVICE AWARD PRESENTATION:

The National President's Volunteer Service Award was created in 2003 to "recognize the important role of volunteers in America's strength and national identity." The award "honors individuals whose service positively impacts communities in every corner of the nation and inspires those around them to take action, too." The award levels are 100 hours to earn a Bronze PVSA, 250 to earn Silver and 500 to earn Gold. The award is given through the Americorps program and Points of Light Foundation. This year's recipients present were Priscilla Miller – GOLD, Terry Huffman – BRONZE and Susan Maupin - BRONZE. More information concerning the program and other recipients are included with the minutes.

IV. Citizen's Comments

The ladies asked for the date of Spring Cleanup. Mayor Miller shared it will be the first two weeks of April. They also inquired about the activities at the L&N Depot. Mayor Miller shared that tours are available through the railroad museum and the meeting room is available for rent. Ms. Jackie Walker and Ms. Peggy Nunemaker facilitate the tours at the Depot.

V. Council Comments

None.

VI. Presentation by Fibernet

Danielle Davis, one of the owners of Fibernet shared with the council their vision for Stanford and surrounding areas. She and her husband currently own 54 miles of fiber around Lincoln County, out to Crab Orchard, through the city and down to McKinney. The fiber lines come from Waynesburg and feeds all seven schools in the area. In the past it only housed the service for the school system, but they are currently upgrading the service to be able to offer residential service. They are looking to offer 1G of fiber service to the home for \$70/month. They will have various speeds and packages to offer to the residents. They are also looking to offer wireless services to areas like parks, Main Street and public buildings.

VII. Proposed 2nd Reading of Ordinance No. 620.22 An Ordinance Relating to the Creation of the US 150 Corridor Water Commission

Motion was made by Councilman Carter to entertain the 2nd reading (2nd by Councilman Wilkinson). All in favor, motion carried. City Clerk, Jone Allen made the 2nd reading of Ordinance 620.22.

Motion to enact Ordinance No. 620.22 was made by Councilman Wilkinson (2nd by Councilman Carter). All in favor, motion carried. Ordinance will be in effect after publication in the Interior Journal on March 20th, 2025.

VIII. Mayor's Information to Council

-Mayor Miller presented a resolution to adopt and approve the signing of MOA 2025-0313, an agreement with KYTC concerning emergency repair to Cutoff Street totaling \$24,190.00.

Motion was made by Councilman Carter (2nd by Councilman Tackett) to approve the resolution to enter into the agreement for repair. All in favor, motion carried.

-Mayor Miller presented a request to the council to donate to this year's Community Wide Easter Egg Hunt being held at Veteran's Park.

Motion was made by Councilman Tackett to donate \$300 toward the purchase of candy to fill the Easter Eggs (2nd by Councilman Hignite). All in favor, motion carried.

-Mayor Miller presented a request to the council to donate to the Lincoln County Veterans Suicide Coalition to help sponsor their monthly breakfast. Veterans from a 7-county area attend, and the average attendance is 80 veterans. He also invited all the council members to come out and attend one of the breakfasts.

Motion was made by Councilman Tackett (2nd by Councilman Hignite) to donate \$500 towards the sponsorship. All in favor, motion carried.

-Mayor Miller shared that he has already approved for some repairs at the L&N Depot, specifically some boards that need replaced that have rotted which will cost apprx. \$1,000. There are more repairs that are needed and it is due to be painted. Joe Berry has submitted quotes to paint the caboose. The first quote is to paint the caboose with a roller with regular, high end tractor paint - \$2,140. To repair the little yellow caboose is \$792. Or he can use automotive paint (that he has not done and cannot guarantee) that will cost \$6,364. The consensus of the council was to accept the first bid for painting of the caboose.

-Mayor Miller shared that he has some medical procedures coming up and spoke to KLC about the appropriate way to handle designating someone to preside over the meetings if he were to be absent, and was advised that a municipal order would need to be put into place. Mayor Miller presented a municipal

order designating a council member to preside over the meetings in the event that the Mayor cannot attend. He shared that he spoke to Councilman Deatherage who stated he would be willing to preside. Councilman Wilkinson nominated Councilman Deatherage. Councilman Tackett, Hignite and Carter nominated Councilman Wilkinson, who accepted the nomination.

MO-20250313 was read by Mayor Miller designating Councilman Wilkinson as the presiding councilman in the event that Mayor Miller cannot attend a meeting and is effective through November of 2026.

-Dedication of Marker at Logan's Fort by the DAR was a nice ceremony that was well attended in spite of the cold weather.

-Watch online for the 250th Anniversary event postings. There will be live music behind the courthouse starting in May along with food trucks.

-Household Hazardous Waste Disposal, March 29th, 2025 at the recycling center.

-City of Stanford Spring Cleanup is coming but please do not start putting items out yet. It will run from March 31-April 11. One pickup per household in the city limits.

IX. Adjourn

With no further business, a motion was made by Councilman Carter (2nd by Councilman Tackett) to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 pm.


Dalton Miller, Mayor


Date:


Jone Allen, CKMC


Date: