

**Stanford City Council**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
**Lincoln County Public Library Meeting Room**  
**6:30pm, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**I. Call to Order, Welcome, Pledge and Prayer**

Mayor Miller called to order the Regular Council Meeting of the Stanford City Council at 6:30pm on Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023. All recited the pledge to the U.S. Flag after which Councilman Joe Tackett led in prayer.

**II. Roll Call**

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

Also present were: City Attorney John Hackley, Police Chief Zach Middleton, and Fire Chief Scott Maples.

**III. Approval of Minutes**

Motion was made by Councilman Carter (2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Tackett) to accept the minutes from the March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Public Hearing and Regular City Council Meeting as written. All in favor, motion carried.

**IV. Citizen's Comments**

The following residents and adjoining property owners to the proposed Wildlife Observation area were present to voice their concerns about the project: Chad & Kasi Davis, Chris & Jamie Mingo, Susan Wyler, Kayne Merriman, Gary L. Johnson and Tim Veach. Several spoke about their concerns for the additional traffic behind their homes, the safety issue with all the small children who live in the area, the added cost and maintenance for the city as well as parking, liability and privacy concerns. The residents asked that the Council please consider all sides before making a decision to move forward with the project.

Mayor Miller addressed the residents and stated that the project was simply a proposal at this time and no formal agreement has been reached. The project was shared last month with the council simply to make them aware that he had been approached by Dr. Matheny with the idea. Nothing will be done without notifying the residents and taking their concerns into consideration. Mayor Miller suggested that the residents put their proposals in writing and he will be happy to present those to Dr. Matheny.

**V. Council Comments**

Councilman Deatherage presented a request from Dennis Martin. He asked that if the hydrant near his house is opened again, can they put a hose on it to divert it away from his home. Mayor Miller stated this is a question that can be presented to the water department.

Councilman Deatherage shared that several people have approached him about parking at the end of Lancaster St by the courthouse and bank. The road is too narrow for parking to be on both sides of the road. Can this area be designated as no parking? Chief Maples stated that it is also impossible to get a fire truck through this area. Mayor Miller stated that he would discuss this with the police chief and measure the parking due to ordinance and also discuss the issue with the state since Lancaster Street is a state road.

Councilman Carter asked about the status of the Foster Lane project. Mayor Miller is in contact with the state. Rick S. is currently working with Marty at AGE. He has submitted a request of good faith efforts

meaning he did not meet the BBE goal for the project and the documentation has to be reviewed and then consult with the office of civil rights and small business development to see if it is acceptable. That was the response on April 11. Everything is now in Frankfort at the state government level because the bids for the project came in too high. There is nothing else local we can do at this time.

#### **VI. Review of Fireworks Ordinance**

The current fireworks ordinance and restrictions were discussed with Chief Maples. This is at the request of Debbie Ernst who had concerns about fireworks that shot up in the air. Our current ordinance has provisions to address these types of fireworks and the age of those who are permitted to use them along with restrictions on the area they are permitted to be used in and the times. An education and safety class was discussed with Chief Maples to be held prior to the 4<sup>th</sup>. The public was also urged to call, video and report anyone that may be violating the current ordinance. The current ordinance will stand and the Mayor, Police and Fire Chiefs will get on the radio and utilize social media to educate the public about restrictions, safety and penalties.

#### **VII. Possible 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Ordinance #450.13 Non Exclusive Cable Franchise Ordinance**

Councilman Deatherage asked why there are minimum requirements to extend the service for any franchise within the city. Mayor Miller stated that this restriction applies to future developments. City Attorney Hackley cautioned about using the word "all" when referring to city services because of the potential cost liability for your sewer service. The cost of extending services varies greatly depending on the service.

The City of Stanford is currently enrolled in the Telecoms monthly payment pool and will remain there unless we submit a written request to be removed. The current monthly payment is \$1,126.00. Motion was made by Councilman Wilkinson (2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Carter) to have the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Ordinance #450.13 Non Exclusive Cable Franchise Ordinance. All in favor, motion carried. City Attorney Hackley made the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of the Summary of Ordinance #450.13.

#### **VIII. Presentation of Resolution for Municipal Road Aid 2023-2024 Agreement**

Mayor Miller presented the new agreement to the council and read the Resolution.

Motion was made by Councilman Carter (2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Deatherage) to approve the Resolution. A role call vote was taken with all in favor, motion carried.

#### **IX. Resolution 2023-0413 Stanford Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Phase 1 Project**

Mayor Miller read the Resolution and shared that Phase 1 will include: Turkeyfoot Lane, Logan Woods Drive, Harmon Heights, Brock Drive, Somerset Street and High Street.

Motion was made by Councilman Carter (2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Wilkinson) to approve Resolution 2023-0413, Stanford Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Phase 1 Project. All in favor, motion carried.

#### **X. Presentation of Revised Architectural Review Board Guidelines for Historic, Stanford, Kentucky**

Motion was made by Councilman Carter (2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Deatherage) to approve the Revised Architectural Review Board Guidelines for Historic, Stanford, Kentucky. All in favor, motion carried. A copy of the guidelines will be added to the city website for ease of access to the residents of the Historic District.

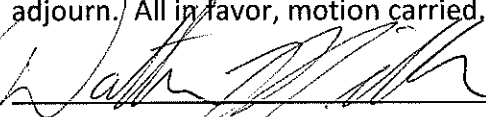
#### **XI. Mayor's Information to Council**


-Cyber Liability proposal from VC3 was presented and will be emailed to the council for review. There are three options of coverage that may in the future be required, but for the time being are requirements from our insurance carrier to move our deductible from \$50,000 to \$5,000.

- Procurement limit has increased from \$30,000 to \$40,000
- FLOCK Safety Camera's (we currently have a quote, but have more questions than answers) These are used to help solve crimes nationwide. It's a license plate type reader that can be used at major intersections. This may be a joint venture with the county.
- Tourism Calendar was shared with the council.
- Spring Cleanup went well. We started earlier than normal, but scheduled ahead of the mowing season.
- Main Street Clean Sweep this Saturday beginning at 9:00am-12:00. We will also be doing the Drug Take Back Program with the Police Department.

**XII. Adjourn**

With no further business, a motion was made by Councilman Wilkinson (2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Deatherage) to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 pm.

  
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 Dalton Miller, Mayor 5/12/23  
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