

**Stanford City Council**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019**  
**6:30pm, Historic Stanford L&N Depot**

**I. Call to Order**

Mayor Scottie Ernst called to order the Regular Meeting of the Stanford City Council at 6:30pm, Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at the Historic Stanford L&N Depot. All recited the pledge to the U.S. Flag, after which the opening prayer was led by Councilman Ronnie Deatherage.

**II. Roll Call**

A roll call was conducted with the following members present: Ella Mae Curlis, Ronnie Deatherage, Sara Givens, Peggy Hester, and Dalton Miller. Dr. Naren James was absent. A quorum was declared by the Mayor.

Also present were: John Hackley, City Attorney; Nancy Leedy, AMNews/IJ; Jeff Knouse, Code Enforcement; Zach Middleton, Police Chief, Scott Maples, Fire Chief.

**III. Approval of Minutes**

-05/02/2019, Regular Council Meeting. Motion was made by Councilwoman Hester (2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Miller) to accept the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

-05/23/2019, Special Council Meeting. Motion was made by Councilwoman Curlis (2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Givens) to accept the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

**IV. Citizen's Comments**

Luzia Foster stated she would like to thank whomever wrapped the cabin and roofing. She asked what the status of the Stewart property is. City Attorney Hackley shared that an estate has been established, we have met with the attorney for the estate, our insurance carriers are looking into the situation, there could possibly be a request for damages from the City, but that would not be ours to pay. It would go through our liability insurance carriers.

Ms. Foster requested a copy of HB422. She was told that she could come by City Hall and pick up a copy during any working hours. Lastly, she asked about the house that is next to hers. She shared the condition of the home and was directed to file a complaint directly with Code Enforcement. Code Enforcement Officer, Jeff Knouse, shared with Ms. Foster that he is aware of the situation with the property and it is currently going through the required steps and is headed to the hearing process.

Claude Scott Newcomb asked if there are contracts required for the demolition of houses in the City. Code Enforcement Officer Knouse shared that under HB422, an arrangement can be made with an individual for demolition services. Councilman Miller shared with Mr. Newcomb that he should attend the next scheduled Code Enforcement Board Meeting and share with that board his availability to do this type work for the City.

Debra Owsley asked where the paper trail is that states what is required in a contract and what constitutes an eminent danger. She was referred to the information included in HB422.

Jamie Mingo requested that the Council start going through each of the City's Ordinances to make sure that each is updated. She also suggested that laptops be available for the council so that they could pull up each Ordinance and read the actual body of the Ordinance. She also suggested that the meetings be held at the library so that the technology there could be used during meetings.

Dennis Counts asked if the job of Code Enforcement requires a degree in building inspection, plumbing, masonry, carpentry, etc. City Attorney Hackley shared that under the Ordinances of eminent danger, nuisances, etc., they do not require such degrees. He also inquired about a house on Powers Court that caught fire and whether rental properties are being inspected.

Brenda Cofer stated that she had no choice in the matter as to who to chose to demolish her family's house. Her brother is the owner on record of the property. Councilman Miller asked if someone from the City told her this, or she was told this by outside individuals. She stated that this was not told to her by someone from the City.

## **V. Council Comments**

Councilman Miller suggested that at least three council members set a work date monthly to review ordinances and make any updates that need to be made. The third Monday of every month was chosen with the first meeting being Monday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 5-8pm at City Hall.

## **VI. Presentation by Jody Wooden 2020 Census Bureau**

Mr. Wooden was not in attendance.

## **VII. Open/Award Sealed Bids – Willis Overland Parking Garage**

Mayor Ernst opened the one bid that was received for the Willis Overland Parking Garage. The bid was submitted by First Southern National Bank. The letter and bid detail (attached) was read by the Mayor. The Bid amount was \$63,450 for the garage with an additional \$5,000 being added to relocate the Police Memorial. Motion was made by Councilman Deatherage (2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Givens) to accept the bid as written as long as it meets the requirements of sale detailed in the

original grant. A roll call vote was taken with all council members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Councilman Miller made a motion that we take the proceeds from the sale of the Willis Overland Parking Garage and pay off current city debt. After some discussion concerning the various debts of the city and the desire for further research, the motion died for lack of a second.

**VIII. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of the Water Sewer Budget Ordinance 2019-2020**

Motion was made by Councilwoman Curlis (2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Deatherage) to have the second Reading of the Water Sewer Budget Ordinance 2019-2020. All in favor, motion carried. The City Clerk read the Ordinance before council.

**IX. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Amended Ordinance 2018-0625.01 City of Stanford Budget Ordinance 2018/2019**

Motion was made by Councilwoman Hester (2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Miller) to have the second reading of the Amended Ordinance 2018-0625.01 City of Stanford Budget Ordinance 2018/2019. All in favor, motion carried. The City Clerk read the Ordinance before council.

**X. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of the City of Stanford Budget Ordinance 2019/2020 Fiscal Year**

Motion was made by Councilman Miller (2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Givens) to have the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of the City of Stanford Budget Ordinance 2019/2020 Fiscal Year. All in favor, motion carried. The City Clerk read the Ordinance before council.

**XI. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of the Ordinance to Change the Regular Scheduled Date of the July 2019 Council Meeting of the City of Stanford**

Motion was made by Councilman Miller (2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Givens) to have the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of the Ordinance to Change the Regular Scheduled Date of the July 2019 Council Meeting of the City of Stanford. All in favor, motion carried. The City Clerk read the Ordinance before council.

**XII. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Accepting the Proposed Zoning Designation for the Area Approximately One-Half Mile South of Stanford Along US 27 and Including the Surrounding Properties**

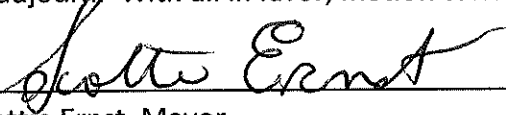
Motion was made by Councilwoman Hester (2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Deatherage) to have the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Accepting the Proposed Zoning Designation for the Area Approximately One-Half Mile South of Stanford Along US 27 and Including the Surrounding Properties. All in favor, motion carried. The City Clerk read the Ordinance before council.

**(III. Proposed Resolution of the City of Stanford, Kentucky Determining Police Firearms Surplus Property**

Motion was made by Councilwoman Givens (2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Miller) accepting the proposed Resolution of the City of Stanford, Kentucky Determining Police Firearms Surplus Property. All in favor, motion carried. Chief Middleton shared that per KRS the firearms will be traded in towards the purchase of new firearms for the police force, or offered for sale to the officer that the weapon was assigned to.

**XIV. Adjourn**

With no other business, motion was made by Councilwoman Givens (2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Curlis) to adjourn. With all in favor, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:24pm.

  
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Scottie Ernst, Mayor Date: 7/12/19  
City of Stanford, KY

  
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Jone Allen, City Clerk