

Stanford City Council
Regular Meeting
Thursday, July 11th, 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, July 11th, 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 Dalton Miller.

II. Roll Call

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

Also present were: John Hackley, City Attorney; Nancy Leedy, AMNews/IJ; , Zach Middleton, Police Chief; Scott Maples, Fire Chief; Residents of Vista Court; Logan's Fort Foundation Representatives Jeff Ralston and Irene Jagers; Jim Jarrett and Larry Nunemaker.

III. Approval of Minutes

-06/06/2019, Regular Council Meeting. Motion was made by Councilman Miller (2nd by Councilwoman Hester) to accept the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

-06/10/2019, Special Council Meeting. Motion was made by Councilwoman Curlis (2nd by Councilwoman Givens) to accept the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

IV. Citizen's Comments

Mr. Jerry Pyle, who spoke as a representative of the residents of the Vista Court area, requested that something be done about the brush and trees blocking the view on the corner of Kid's Fort and Metker Trail. (Pictures attached) He stated that visibility in this area is very limited. Mayor Ernst shared with the residents that he and Code Enforcement are aware of the overgrowth, but he very much appreciated Mr. Pyle's attendance and pictures which show a clearer picture of what the residents are requesting. The property owner will be contacted to attempt to remedy the situation. The City is also working with the County Road Department to side cut the area with a bush hog.

Also discussed was the speed of traffic in this area and the possible addition of stop and speed limit signs. The residents shared that cross traffic when an area factory lets out is the worst time of day. Chief Middleton was consulted and has agreed to monitor the area and look into the placement of stop and speed limit signs.

Hannah James, a resident of Vista Court, addressed the council concerning the over grown lot behind her home. She stated that Mr. Owens does a very good job at keeping his 5 acres cleared and mowed, but there is a continual problem with one of the owners of another lot behind her home. She asked what can be done to ensure that the lot is mowed consistently. Code Enforcement will be informed of the request. She also suggested that the city consider putting in a speed bump coming from the hospital towards the intersection of Metker and Kid's Fort.

Donna Turpin, a resident of Indian Trails, asked when there will be blacktop continued to the end of Arrowhead Trail, can the "Children at Play" sign be lowered so that it can be viewed more easily, can there be additional speed limit signs placed and the speed in the area monitored more closely, when will the sidewalk be continued on the left side of the road, and can the property located on Chickasaw Trail be cleaned up and the lot beside her mowed. The Street Department will move the sign into a more visible position, and Code Enforcement will investigate the complaint on the Chickasaw property. Chief Middleton will also monitor the speed limit in the area and see if more speed limit sign placement is advisable. Once construction in the subdivision is complete and the roads and sidewalks are brought up to code, they will be brought under the city's maintenance.

Larry Nunemaker stated that he appreciated the fact that our officers drive their patrol cars home. He feels that it is a good crime deterrent in his and other City neighborhoods.

V. Council Comments

After discussion by the council concerning the content of each meeting's minutes, Councilman Miller made a motion that we make a video recording of each meeting that would be stored monthly and uploaded to the City website and be available at City Hall so that the public who could not attend the meetings would be able to view the entire meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Curlis. With all council members voting in favor, motion carried. Councilman Miller has two video cameras that he is willing to try out at the next council meeting.

After discussion concerning the availability of wifi and other technology at the current council meeting location, Dr. Naren James made a motion to move the regularly scheduled monthly City Council meetings to the library, subject to availability. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hester. With all in favor, motion carried. Mayor Ernst will contact the library and see what scheduling options are available.

Councilwoman Givens asked if there has been a name decided on for the walking trail. She suggested that the trail be named after Former Mayor Eddie Carter. Possible qualifications were discussed. No action was taken.

VI. Presentation on Logan's Fort Foundation

Jeff Ralston presented a report to the council on the financial standing of the Fort Foundation. The balance that the Fort Foundation has relative to rebuilding the Fort is \$56,487. There is also an

account with \$8,000 that is in the City's possession that is earmarked to rebuild the Fort. There is also \$5,763 in the Fort Foundation's general fund. At this point the fourth cabin has been completed. The fifth cabin, which is Clarke's Cabin, is slated to begin. The last cabin planned is the largest, Logan's Cabin. The City also has an account with \$48,242 that has been donated for the rebuilding of the Fort. The council was given a copy of the minutes from the last Fort Foundation meeting. The two block houses and the palisades would be the next steps in construction after the cabins are complete. There was some discussion concerning the continual maintenance of the Fort and what needs to be done to complete current needed maintenance. The Fort Foundation has stated that they would be willing to help with some of the cost of the maintenance that currently needs completed to bring those repairs up to date. The City has set aside \$4,000 towards maintenance for the coming 2019-2020 fiscal year. This does not include the cost of mowing, weed eating and tree trimming that the City performs. Mr. Ralston estimates that if the City budgets between \$5 and 6,000 each year in maintenance, (once the current maintenance needs are addressed) this should cover the maintenance needs in years to come.

Garlan VanHook joined the discussion on the future building needs, bid prices on the next phases, and the possibility of volunteer workers being utilized to keep costs lower. Applying linseed oil and re-thinking some of the cabins was discussed. The issue of how to manage liability and then to oversee the quality of work that is being doing was questioned. Mr. VanHook is scheduled to meet with contractors within the next week and will have more firm figures as to maintenance and repair costs. Chief Maples agreed to do a study of what maintaining the Fort will cost over the next ten years.

Discussion was also had about ways to utilize the Fort property more, events that may focus around the Fourth of July, and the formation of a committee that could plan one big huge event for the City.

A motion was made by Councilman James (2nd by Councilwoman Hester) for the Mayor to explore with the Fiscal Court and other private business owners, the possibility of hiring a tourism director. This would be in concept only, with funding to be looked into once interest was established. With all in favor, motion carried.

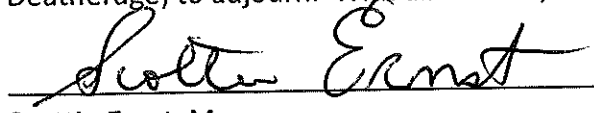
VII. 1st Reading of an Ordinance Regulating the Number, Length and Conditions of a Yard Sale
Councilwoman Hester began a discussion about the proper way to present an ordinance to the council.

After some discussion about how the Yard Sale Ordinance was developed, and the changes that need to be made, Councilman James made a motion (2nd by Councilwoman Hester) to lay aside all the Ordinances on the night's agenda until the next Regular Council Meeting. With Council members James, Givens, Deatherage and Hester voting yay and Council members Miller and Curlis voting nay, motion carried.

- VIII. 1st Reading of Smoke Detectors Ordinance**
Voted to be laid aside. Chief Maples briefed the council on the required changes to the Ordinance concerning the placement of smoke detectors in rental properties.
- IX. 1st Reading of Fireworks Ordinance**
Voted to be laid aside. Chief Maples briefed the council on the changes he proposes to the Ordinance. The old Ordinance was antiquated and this new replacement Ordinance reflects the new fire codes. The big changes are the times and dates of when the fireworks may be used.
- X. Repeal Ordinance #2012-0628 Emergency Ordinance Banning Fireworks**
Voted to be laid aside.
- XI. Discussion of Reimbursement for Special Called Meetings**
City Attorney John Hackley shared that the same stipulations apply to all city council pay. Special or regular meetings are treated the same. Paying the council for each Special Called Meeting would be an adjustment to pay and must be done before the first Monday in May prior to the election to impact the next seated council.
- XII. Discussion of Attendance at the 44th Annual Governor's Local Issues Conference – Galt House**
Information was shared with the council concerning registration and hotel reservations for the 44th Annual Governor's Local Issues Conference. The council members were given the option to attend. Councilman Naren James will be attending the conference.
Information was also shared with the council concerning the KLC Conference in Northern Kentucky on September 24-27, 2019.
- XIII. Mayor's Information to the Council**
Mayor Ernst made the following appointments to the Stanford-Lincoln County Industrial Development Board: Jordan Dick – 2 year term, Doug Gooch – 3 year term and Bruce Edgington – 4 year term.
- Mayor Ernst shared with the council that there has been some suspected vandalism to the Ford F550 Diesel Truck used by the Street Department. It is currently being looked at and we are awaiting an estimate for repair.
- Russ Clark with Bluegrass 911 will be at the September meeting to discuss the 911 address project.
- An email update from Greg Butler with Republic Services was shared with the council. It is attached for reference.

XIII. Adjourn

With no other business, motion was made by Councilwoman Hester (2nd by Councilman Deatherage) to adjourn. With all in favor, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:07pm.



Scottie Ernst, Mayor
City of Stanford, KY

Date: August 5, 2019



Jone Allen, City Clerk

Stanford City Council
Work Session
Monday, July 15th, 2019
5:00pm, Stanford City Hall

I. Those in Attendance


Mayor Scottie Ernst; Council Members Deatherage, Hester, Givens, Miller, Curlis;
Jamie Mingo, Luzia Foster.

II. Work Session Summary

Those in attendance were given a packet containing Chapter 90: Animals, the corresponding City of Stanford Ordinances 840.1 and 840.3, and the Lincoln County Fiscal Court Ordinance 2.23.16 #2. Each chapter was read through and discussed as to what was still applicable and what needed to be updated. KRS statutes were checked. More research into what can be done about the cat population in the city and what fees (if any) should be collected and how those will be enforced still needs to be done.


III. Adjourn

The work session ended at 7:00pm, with the next session scheduled for the 3rd Monday of August at 5pm at City Hall.



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_____ August 5, 2019
Date:



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