

**MINUTES OF THE
OWENSBORO BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Called Meeting
April 17, 2018 5:00 PM
City Hall
101 E. 4th Street
Owensboro, KY 42303**

1. CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Tom Watson

2. ROLL CALL – Beth Cecil, City Clerk

Present:

Mayor Tom Watson
Mayor Pro Tem Bob Glenn
Commissioner Pam Smith-Wright
Commissioner Larry Conder
Commissioner Jay Velotta

3. INVOCATION & PLEDGE – Mayor Pro Tem Bob Glenn

Mayor Watson asked for a motion to remove the following from the agenda: Ordinance 7-2018 entitled **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 16, ARTICLE I, SECTION 16-4, SUBSECTION V., PARAGRAPH (N) TO DELETE THE PROHIBITION OF A MOBILE FOOD UNIT VENDOR FROM LOCATING OR OPERATING WITHIN ONE HUNDRED (100) FEET OF THE PROPERTY LINE OF THE REAL PROPERTY OF BUSINESSES SELLING FOOD TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC; AND FURTHER DELETING THE PROHIBITION OF LOCATING OR OPERATING ON AVENUES, STREETS, ROADS, DRIVES, OR SIDEWALKS ADJACENT TO THE BOUNDARIES OF A PUBLIC PARK; AND FURTHER PROVIDING THAT MOBILE FOOD VENDORS SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE SAME PARKING RESTRICTIONS AS ALL OTHER LICENSED VEHICLES.** Mayor Watson explained that more time was needed to understand the details of the issue. Motion was made by Commissioner Velotta, seconded by Commissioner Smith-Wright and carried unanimously.

4. BUSINESS

4.A. Minutes dated April 3, 2018 and April 10, 2018 were approved 5-0 upon motion of Commissioner Smith-Wright and a second by Mayor Pro Tem Glenn.

5. ORDINANCES - 2nd READING - NONE

6. ORDINANCES – 1st READING

6.A. Ordinance 6-2018 entitled **AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PRE-HOSPITAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL AMBULANCE SERVICE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF OWENSBORO, DAVIESS COUNTY FISCAL COURT, AND**

PROCARENT D/B/A YELLOW AMBULANCE SERVICE FOR AN INITIAL TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR WITH AUTOMATIC RENEWALS FOR UP TO TEN (10) ONE YEAR TERMS, WHEREBY PROCARENT SHALL OPERATE AND BECOME THE EXCLUSIVE COUNTY-WIDE PROVIDER OF EMERGENCY AMBULANCE SERVICES FOR THE OWENSBORO-DAVIESS COUNTY CENTRAL DISPATCH SYSTEMS; AND FURTHER APPROVING AN AMENDED INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF OWENSBORO AND DAVIESS COUNTY FISCAL COURT FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL AMBULANCE SERVICES, was introduced and publicly read on first reading.

The Emergency Medical Service and Ambulance Agreement by and between the City, Daviess County, and Yellow Enterprise System, Inc. (now Procarent d/b/a Yellow Ambulance Service) expires on June 30, 2018. Competitive proposals were received for emergency ambulance services and Procarent d/b/a Yellow Ambulance Service was awarded the exclusive right to operate pre-hospital emergency medical ambulance services under the City and County's license and Owensboro-Daviess County Central Dispatch System for an initial term of one (1) year with automatic renewals for up to ten (10) years. The Interlocal Agreement between the City and County will also require amendment to reflect the changes. City Manager Parrish explained that the Ordinance contains two elements: 1) the emergency medical service and emergency transportation agreement with the City, County and Procarent d/b/a Yellow Ambulance Service; an exclusive contract for Yellow Ambulance to provide emergency medical transport, not routine medical transport with response times of 6:59 or less for almost all the City of Owensboro, increased ambulances and crew availability, increased quality of care (require paramedic to be on each ambulance), provides for performance standard penalties and provides service without regard of ability to pay, direct billing to responsible parties, and also allows rate increases annually based off the CPI for urban customers as established by the Bureau of Labor Statistics; 2) an amended Interlocal Agreement between the City and County providing a one (1) year contract that is automatically renewable for nine (9) years, for a total of ten (10) years; the subsidy payment of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000) is based on population, sixty percent (60%) to City and forty percent (40%) to County. Chief Mitchell explained that the consumer rates will be among the lowest in the region and the subsidy is far lower than comparable departments within the region. He estimates the rates to remain for five (5) years unless something drastic happens with Medicare. The ambulance will now have access to the radio system, which will be a huge improvement on communication. Non-emergency transfers (lift assist) will have a fee of Fifty Dollars (\$50), tracked on a quarterly basis.

7. MUNICIPAL ORDERS

7.A. Municipal Order 7-2018 entitled A MUNICIPAL ORDER AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION FOR A FY2018 STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT THROUGH THE KENTUCKY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY IN THE AMOUNT OF FORTY-FOUR THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$44,625.00), THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH WILL BE UTILIZED BY THE OWENSBORO FIRE DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE THIRTY-FIVE (35) FIRE SERVICE/EMS SOFT ARMOR VESTS AND TYPE IIIA

HELMETS FOR THE SAFETY OF FIRE/EMS PERSONNEL, FOR WHICH NO MATCH IS REQUIRED, was approved 5-0 upon motion of Commissioner Smith-Wright and a second by Mayor Pro Tem Glenn.

The Owensboro Fire/Emergency Medical Services personnel responds to dangerous incidents. The City seeks to execute an application for grant funds to purchase thirty-five (35) Soft Armor Vests and Type IIIA Helmets to protect personnel during these response times. No match is required.

7.B. Municipal Order 8-2018 entitled A MUNICIPAL ORDER AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A FY2018 APPLICATION FOR RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM FUNDING, AUTHORIZED UNDER THE TRANSPORTATION EQUITY ACT FOR THE 21ST CENTURY (TEA-21) ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FIFTEEN DOLLARS (\$23,315.00), THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH WILL ENABLE THE CITY OF OWENSBORO, IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE JOE FORD NATURE CENTER, INC., TO DEVELOP TRILSIDE AND TRILHEAD FACILITIES AND PROVIDE MAINTENANCE OF EXISTING RECREATIONAL TRILS AT THE JOE FORD NATURE CENTER; A TWENTY PERCENT (20%) MATCH VIA IN-KIND SERVICES, MATERIALS, OR LABOR BEING REQUIRED, was unanimously approved upon motion of Mayor Pro Tem Glenn and a second by Commissioner Conder.

The Parks and Recreation Department has determined the need to renovate a recreational walking trail for the health and well-being of the general public at the Joe Ford Nature Center. The City intends to prepare an application to the Recreational Trails Program to help fund the purchase of benches, a fitness system and timbers to line the trails of the Joe Ford Nature Park. The grant does require a 20% match which does not require cash by the City, but may be in-kind services, materials, or labor. City Manager explained that the federal grant dollars will be used to provide benches, static exercise stations and timbers to line the trail path. Labor provided by the Joe Ford Nature Center will be supervised by a Crew Leader from the Facilities Maintenance Department.

7.C. Consider Municipal Order 9-2018 entitled A MUNICIPAL ORDER AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION FOR A FY2018 STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT THROUGH THE KENTUCKY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVENTY THOUSAND FIFTY-SIX DOLLARS (\$70,056.00), THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH WILL BE UTILIZED BY THE OWENSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE A FARO FOCUS S150 LASER SCANNER TO AIDE IN THE RECONSTRUCTION OF COLLISIONS AND MAJOR CRIME SCENES, FOR WHICH NO MATCH IS REQUIRED, was approved 5-0 upon motion of Mayor Watson and a second by Commissioner Velotta.

The Owensboro Police Department (OPD) has one of the largest accident reconstruction units in western Kentucky which responds regionally to collisions and major crime scenes when requested. OPD will use grant funds of Seventy Thousand

Fifty-Six Dollars (\$70,056.00) to purchase a FARO Focus S150 Laser Scanner through a State Homeland Security Grant that may be awarded by the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security, for which no match is required.

7.D. Consider Municipal Order 10-2018 entitled A MUNICIPAL ORDER DECLARING A 10.09 ACRE PROPERTY LOCATED AT EWING ROAD AND A 30.849 ACRE PROPERTY LOCATED AT RIVER ROAD AS SURPLUS PROPERTY; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A LEASE AND OPTION AGREEMENT AND/OR DEEDS TRANSFERING THE PROPERTIES FOR PURPOSES OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, was unanimously approved upon motion of Mayor Watson and a second by Commissioner Conder.

The City previously obtained a 10.09 acre property located at Ewing Road in 1953 for purposes of constructing offices, buildings, and other facilities for the Owensboro Sewer Commission and a 30.849 acre property located at River Road in settlement of a civil lawsuit filed by the City of Owensboro. The City now desires to declare these properties to be surplus property, so that they can be leased, transferred, or sold in accordance with KRS 82.083 to Owensboro Riverport Authority for economic development purposes. Map attached with the defined properties.

8. CITY MANAGER ITEMS

8.A. Financial Report for the period ending February 28, 2018 was unanimously approved upon motion of Mayor Watson and seconded by Commissioner Conder. Graph attached.

8.B. Personnel Appointments were approved unanimously upon motion of Commissioner Velotta with a second by Commissioner Smith-Wright.

- **Jason Bishop** – Regular, full-time, non-civil service appointment to Crew Leader with the Public Works Department, effective April 17, 2018
- **Jacob Aull** – Regular, full-time, non-civil service appointment to Firefighter with the Fire Department, effective April 24, 2018
- **Shannon Raymer** – Regular, full-time, non-civil service appointment to Firefighter with the Fire Department, effective April 24, 2018
- **Joshua Wheeler** – Regular, full-time, non-civil service appointment to Firefighter with the Fire Department, effective April 24, 2018
- **Angel Williams** – Probationary, full-time, non-civil service promotional appointment to Lead Telecommunicator with the Police Department, effective April 29, 2018

8.C. City Manager Comments – None

9. COMMUNICATIONS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

Comments were heard from the elected officials. They congratulated the RiverPark Center on their 25th anniversary.

Mayor Pro Tem Glenn recognized his Mother on her 83rd birthday.

Mayor Watson gave an update on the upcoming tentative Commission meetings:

- May 1 – Regular Commission Meeting
- May 8 – Cancel Work Session (was going to be for budget – delayed due to State issues)
- May 15 – Cancel Commission Meeting
- May 22 – Noon – Special Called Meeting to hear 2018-2019 Budget Presentation
- June 5 – Regular Commission Meeting (1st Reading of 18-19 Budget)
- June 12 – 4:00 pm – Public Meeting on Budget
5:00 pm – Special Called Meeting to include 2nd Reading of Budget

10. OPEN PUBLIC FORUM – NONE

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 5:39 p.m. upon motion made by Commissioner Smith-Wright, seconded by Commissioner Conder and carried unanimously.

Thomas H. Watson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Beth Cecil, City Clerk