

OWENSBORO BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting
December 4, 2018 5:00 PM
Owensboro City Hall
101 E. 4th Street
Owensboro, Kentucky

1. CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Tom Watson

2. ROLL CALL - City Clerk Beth Cecil

Present:

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

3. INVOCATION & PLEDGE – Mayor Tom Watson

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.A. Outstanding Service Award – The Award was presented to Jonathan Cook for his 30 years of dedicated service to the City. He retired in November 2018.

4.B. The following Firefighters and Police Officers were sworn in and the Firefighters were pinned by their family members:

Firefighters:

- Louren M. Agrinsoni
- Joseph W. Dick
- Zachary A. Johnson
- James “Todd” Napier
- Andrew K. Shively
- Gary “Dustin” Vincent

Police Officers:

- John S. Doucet
- Michael C. Johnson
- Corey V. Moore

Fire Chief Mitchell also recognized the following as recipients of the 2018 OFD Awards (*in attendance at meeting):

- Firefighter of the Year – Clayton Tuma*
- Driver/Operator of the Year – Andy Owen*
- Fire Officer of the Year – Eric Cart*

- 35 Years of Service – Steve Leonard

- Merit Awards:

Lt. Joey Wright
 Luke Cecil
 Ethan Board
 Luke Camp
 Lt. Kyle Veach
 Brian Roberts

- Commendations issued in 2018:

Chris York
 Patrick Franey
 David Spalding
 Bobby Grant
 Chad Johnson
 Richard Peach
 Kevin Lanham
 Jason Pickrell
 Billy Wilson
 Tim Priar
 James Howard
 Shannon Janosa

4.C. Mr. Greg Strahan, Owensboro Health Regional Hospital CEO, delivered the 2018 annual report (attached).

5. BUSINESS

5.A. Minutes dated October 16 and November 13, 2018 were approved on motion of Mayor Watson with a second by Commissioner Smith-Wright; motion passed 5-0.

5.B. The following board appointment was approved 4-1 (Commissioner Smith-Wright abstained) upon motion by Mayor Pro Tem Glenn with a second by Commissioner Conder:

- **City Employees' Pension Board** – Reappoint Pamela Smith-Wright to a 4-year term expiring December 31, 2022.

The following board appointments were approved 5-0 upon motion by Commissioner Smith-Wright with a second by Mayor Pro Tem Glenn:

- **City Utility Commission**- Reappoint James (J.T.) Fulkerson to a 3-year term expiring January 1, 2022.

- **Owensboro Human Relations Commission** – Reappoint Naheed Murtaza to a 3-year term expiring October 18, 2021. Reappoint Angelica Almanza to a 3-year term, expiring January 19, 2022. Appoint Anna M. Kuthy, Lauren Calhoun, Dr. Eunice Taylor, Raman Galla & Susan Thompson to a 3-year term expiring January 1, 2022.
- **Greater Owensboro Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors** – Appoint Larry Maglinger to a 1-year term expiring January 1, 2020.

6. ORDINANCES - 2nd READING

6.A. Ordinance 21-2018 entitled AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN ENTERTAINMENT DESTINATION CENTER IN THE DOWNTOWN OF OWENSBORO; AND FURTHER DIRECTING THE CITY OF OWENSBORO TO APPLY FOR AN ENTERTAINMENT DESTINATION CENTER LICENSE FROM THE KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL; AND FURTHER ESTABLISHING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A LICENSEE TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WITHIN THE COMMON AREAS OF THE ENTERTAINMENT DESTINATION CENTER, was approved 4-1 upon motion of Mayor Watson with a second by Commissioner Smith-Wright; Mayor Pro Tem Glenn voted nay.

KRS 243.030(21) authorizes the issuance of an Entertainment Destination Center (EDC) License by the Kentucky Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control. The City seeks to create an EDC within its downtown for which it shall obtain a license from the Kentucky Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control. The City further seeks to establish the requirements for a licensee to sell alcoholic beverages within the common areas of the EDC. City Manager Pagan explained that the various religious institutions within the boundary, Smothers Park playground and Shelton Memorial would be excluded from the EDC. A review process will take place for each event and the events will be limited to a specific time and specific place. The City can decide whether to approve or deny an event. Andy Gamblin (2920 Yale Place), Amanda Tann (3127 Dade Cove) and Josh Cook (Hawthorne Drive) spoke against the Ordinance. Dr. Fred Reeves (3520 Ashlawn Drive) explained the EDC was the top issue of the OBKY project. The prospective events will be highly regulated; time and place specific, with a rigorous application process and the event producer must provide security for the event. Mayor Watson added that if there are issues, it could be addressed in the future.

6.B. Ordinance 22-2018 entitled AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2018 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2019, AND AMENDING ORDINANCE 9-2018 TO RECEIVE DONATIONS FOR DOG PARK AND SETUP THE DOG PARK PROJECT; AND TO RECEIVE TRANSIT GRANT FUNDS, SETUP THE RELATED TRANSIT PROJECTS AND REDUCE GENERAL FUND TRANSFER TO TRANSIT, ACCORDINGLY; AND TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND TO INTERNATIONAL BLUEGRASS MUSIC CENTER FUND PER AGREEMENT, was approved 5-0 upon motion of Commissioner Smith-Wright with a second by Mayor Pro Tem Glenn.

Budget amendment to receive donations for dog park and setup the dog park project; and to receive Transit grant funds, setup the related Transit projects and reduce General Fund transfer to Transit, accordingly; and to transfer funds from Capital Improvements Fund to International Bluegrass Music Center (IBMC) Fund per agreement.

7. ORDINANCES - 1st READING - NONE

8. MUNICIPAL ORDERS - NONE

9. CITY MANAGER ITEMS

9.A. Personnel appointments were approved 5-0 upon motion of Mayor Watson with a second by Commissioner Velotta.

NEW HIRE / PROMOTIONAL:

- **Brian Roberts** – Probationary, full-time, non-civil service, promotional appointment to Fire Lieutenant with the Fire Department, effective December 9, 2018
- **David Lopez** – Probationary, full-time, non-civil service appointment to Maintenance Worker with the Public Works Department, effective December 17, 2018
- **Kimberly Tignor** – Probationary, full-time, non-civil service appointment to Paralegal with the Administration Department, effective December 17, 2018

REGULAR STATUS:

- **Martin Brooks** – Regular, full-time, non-civil service appointment to Police Officer with the Police Department, effective December 11, 2018

9.B. City Manager Comments - None

10. COMMUNICATIONS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

Communications were heard from the elected officials.

Commissioner Smith-Wright stated she would not be in attendance at the next Commission meeting due to health issues with her husband.

11. OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

Jeremy Hidgon (Southeastern Parkway) asked for an update regarding his attempt to move his business in the downtown area due to Article 21 restrictions on tattoo and piercing business. Mayor Watson responded that the Commission was going into closed session to discuss it.

12. CLOSED SESSION

12.A. Motion was made by Mayor Watson and seconded by Commissioner Conder to enter into Closed Session under KRS 61.810(1)(c) to discuss proposed or pending litigation; motion carried unanimously.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The closed session adjourned upon motion of Commissioner Conder and a second by Mayor Pro Tem Glenn; motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m. upon motion of Commissioner Velotta and a second from Commissioner Smith-Wright.

Thomas H. Watson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Beth Cecil, City Clerk