# City of Morehead Minutes of

# Regular Meeting of Board of City Council February 10, 2025, 6:00 PM

# Morehead Police and 911 Facility 309 West Main Street Conference Room

The Board of City Council of the City of Morehead, Kentucky met in regular session on February 10, 2025, at 6:00 PM in the Morehead Police and 911 Facility 309 West Main Street Conference Room.

### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Laura White-Brown called to order February 10, 2025, regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of City Council at 6:00pm.

## 2. Pledge of Allegiance

All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 3. Attendance

## Present Council Members:

Mr. Mike Kash

Dr. Edna Schack

Mr. Darrell Littleton

Mr. Lincoln Caudill

Ms. Beth Ousley

## **Absent Council Members:**

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin

### 4. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

# 4.a. January 13, 2025

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve the meeting minutes from January 13, 2025, regularly scheduled meeting with a motion by Mr. Lincoln Caudill and seconded by Mr. Darrell Littleton.

Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes
Mr. Darrell Littleton	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes

### 5. Public Comments

Ms. Belinda Hitch was present to share with the council some requests that she had received regarding public records and open meetings.

#### **5.a. Other Public Comments**

# 6. Mayor's Report

Mayor White-Brown gave report to the council regarding the expected weather, and extended a big "thank you" to the road crews. Ms. White-Brown also updated regarding ICE and the question that was submitted to the city regarding the process if ICE comes to the city and asks for the police department to help.

Mayor White-Brown reported regarding the playground and the progress thus far. Mayor White-Brown reported regarding the ice-skating rink and the pickle ball courts.

Mayor White-Brown reported that the city police department is taking applications for the upcoming Citizens Police Academy.

Mayor White-Brown also reported to the council regarding a public-private partnership for a day camp program for the upcoming year.

Mayor White-Brown gave a presentation regarding the Shot Show that was attended by a group of employees and the mayor. Mayor White-Brown further discussed that there were some contacts made at the Shot Show that led to grant opportunities and that the city police department received money from the grant for some body armor.

Mayor White-Brown discussed with the council regarding texting during the council meeting. Making the point that just because someone picks up the phone that doesn't mean that they are discussing city business.

#### 7. Quarterly Reports

# 7.a. Morehead-Rowan County Tourism, Morehead Conference Center & Rowan County Arts Center

Ms. Joy Brown reported to the council regarding the Louisville RV and Boat and the upcoming Indianapolis show. Ms. Joy Brown also reported regarding grants and that the conference center is back to pre-covid numbers.

Ms. Joy Brown reported to the council that Ashley Gillum resigned on November 1st, after advertising Waylon Coffey was hired as the new Arts and Cultural Director. Ms. Brown reported that Crissy Perkins has an exhibition at the Art Center.

Ms. Brown reported regarding the Morehead Theater Guild upcoming play, the Kentucky Proud program, and the Sheltowee Trace National Recreation Trail number of visitors that it has brought to Morehead.

# 8. Future Growth/Development/Projects for The City

Mr. Rodney Fouch reported to the council regarding permits including alcohol permits and the apartment buildings located at Triplett Street.

Mr. Fouch reported on Code Enforcement and enforcement regarding the new trash cans.

# 9. General Business Agenda

## 9.a. Unfinished Business

# 9.a.1. 2nd Reading Of An Ordinance Amending Title III Administration, Chapter 35 Personnel; Classification; Compensation, Section 35.001 Salary Scale By Updating The Salary Scale

**Motion Passed:** Motion to Approve 2nd Reading Of An Ordinance Amending Title III Administration, Chapter 35 Personnel; Classification; Compensation, Section 35.001 Salary Scale By Updating The Salary Scale with a motion by Dr. Edna Schack and seconded by Mr. Lincoln Caudill.

Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes
Mr. Darrell Littleton	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes

# 9.a.2. 2nd Reading An Ordinance Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Setting Requirements For A Medical Cannabis Business License In The City Of Morehead, Kentucky

**Motion Passed:** Motion to Approve 2nd Reading An Ordinance Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Setting Requirements For A Medical Cannabis Business License In The City Of Morehead, Kentucky with a motion by Mr. Lincoln Caudill and seconded by Ms. Beth Ousley.

Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes
Mr. Darrell Littleton	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes

9.a.3. 2nd Reading Of An Ordinance Adopting The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Annual Budget For FY 07-1-2024 through 6-30-2025 by Estimating Revenues and Resources And Appropriating Funds For The Operation Of City Government, Amendment No. 1

**Motion Passed:** Motion to Approve 2nd Reading Of An Ordinance Adopting The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Annual Budget For FY 07-1-2024 through 6-30-2025 by Estimating Revenues and Resources And Appropriating Funds For The Operation Of City Government, Amendment No. 1 with a motion by Mr. Lincoln Caudill and seconded by Ms. Beth Ousley.

Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes
Mr. Darrell Littleton	No
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes

# 9.a.4. 2nd Reading Of An Ordinance Adopting An Incentive Program For City Officials Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky To Obtain Training Related To City Government

**Motion Passed:** Motion to Approve 2nd Reading Of An Ordinance Adopting An Incentive Program For City Officials Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky To Obtain Training Related To City Government with a motion by Mr. Lincoln Caudill and seconded by Dr. Edna Schack.

Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes
Mr. Darrell Littleton	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes

#### 9.b. New Business

# 9.b.1. A Resolution Of The Legislative Body Of The City Of Morehead Approving Certified City Of Ethics Proposal

**Motion Passed:** Motion to Approve A Resolution Of The Legislative Body Of The City Of Morehead Approving Certified City Of Ethics Proposal with a motion by Dr. Edna Schack and seconded by Mr. Lincoln Caudill.

Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes
Mr. Darrell Littleton	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes

9.b.2. A Resolution Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky, Opposing Any Bills Brought Forth During The 2025 Kentucky General Assembly Session By Any Member Of The Kentucky Legislature, In Full Or In Part, That Provides For The Mandated Centralized Collection Of Local Occupational Fees/Taxes By The Commonwealth Of Kentucky Or Other Third Parties

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Mr. Mike Kash Yes Dr. Edna Schack Yes Mr. Darrell Littleton No Ms. Beth Ousley Yes Mr. Lincoln Caudill Yes

## 9.b.3. Discussion Regarding Street Closure

Mr. Rodney Fouch discussed that Morehead State University has asked the city council to close a portion of Button Place.

# 10. Other City Business: Old or New

10.a. Executive (Closed) Session per KRS 61.810 (1)(b) for deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property when publicity would be likely to affect the value of the property.

Motion Passed: Motion To Go Into Executive (Closed) Session per KRS 61.810 (1)(b) for deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property when publicity would be likely to affect the value of the property with a motion by Dr. Edna Schack and seconded by Mr. Lincoln Caudill. (7:13PM)

Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes
Mr. Darrell Littleton	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes

Motion Passed: Motion To Come out of Executive (Closed) Session per KRS 61.810 (1)(b) for deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property when publicity would be likely to affect the value of the property with a motion by Mr. Mike Kash and seconded by Mr. Darrell Littleton. (7:41PM)

Mr. Mike Kash	Yes
Dr. Edna Schack	Yes
Mr. Darrell Littleton	Yes
Mr. Lincoln Caudill	Yes
Ms. Beth Ousley	Yes

There was no action taken as a result of Executive (Closed) Session.

# 11. Adjournment

The meeting was properly adjourned at 7:42PM

Board of City Council	Approved by City Council
Morehead, Kentucky	on March 10, 2025
•	ATTEST:
Laura White-Brown, Mayor	Helen Smith, City Clerk