City of Morehead Minutes of

Regular Meeting of Board of City Council May 12, 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 May 12, 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 May 12, 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:

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin

Mr. Mike Kash

Mr. Lincoln Caudill

Ms. Beth Ousley

Mr. Darrell Littleton

Dr. Edna Schack

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

4.a. April 14, 2025

Motion Passed: Motion to approve the meeting minutes from April 14, 2025, regularly scheduled meeting with a motion by Mr. Lincoln Caudill and seconded by Ms. Beth Ousley.

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

5. Public Comments

Dr. Annette Graham, resident of Pine Hill Drive, was present to discuss the direction of the street traffic on Pine Hill Drive with the council. Dr. Graham requested that Pine Hill Drive be made a one-way street for safety reasons, noting increased traffic in this area, as well as accessibility issues for the property owners on Pine Hill Drive. Dr. Graham did not have a preference which direction.

Dr. Graham also brought attention to the removal of ice and snow on sidewalks in the City. There was discussion about why the City does not provide this service. The City Attorney discussed that this is a complicated issue with no easy or good solution. There are liability issues as well as funding issues (personnel, equipment, etc.). If this service is outsourced, there are issues where the ice and snow could be removed to as well as damage to sidewalks. Finally, if the City passes an ordinance requiring citizens to be responsible for the removal of snow and ice on sidewalks, there have been discussions about how that affects the elder population who cannot physically remove snow/ice and the impoverished population who cannot afford to pay for the removal of snow/ice. Council Member Caudill discussed liability issues and the duty an ordinance could place on citizens if someone were to get hurt on the sidewalk in front of their property. Council Member Baldwin discussed that there is a fiscal issue to this problem as well. Dr. Graham was advised by the Mayor that there have been numerous internal discussions and meetings, and the City is working to find a solution.

6. Mayor's Report

Mayor Laura White-Brown presented Detective Steve Justice, Captain Dewayne Slone, Chief Derrick Blevins, Officer Leah Whitley and Captain Josh Ison with letter of appreciation for their involvement in finding and apprehending the dangerous fugitive from the Rowan County Detention Center.

7. Quarterly Reports

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

Ms. Joy Brown was present to give a report to the council for the Morehead-Rowan County Tourism, Morehead Conference Center & Rowan County Arts Center. Ms. Brown reported to the council regarding the 501 (c) (3) designation of Teach Me Outdoors Inc. and the representation of the organization as Master of Ceremonies during the Revolutionary War Cannon Dedication. Ms. Joy Brown also reported regarding the awarded contractor for the East Main Corridor Project and the bell dedication ceremony honoring Rowan County Veterans. Ms. Brown discussed that the Rowan County Fiscal Court passed a resolution to join the Kentucky Mountain Regional Recreation Authority. Ms. Brown discussed wayfinding, the final turtle order and the new art exhibits at the art center.

8. Future Growth/Development/Projects for The City

Mr. Rodney Fouch reported to the council regarding new permits and projects including Long John Silvers remodel, the Express Oil Change and the 40 unit apartment complex. Mr. Fouch also

reported regarding grants including the 319 grants for the GreenSinks project.

9. General Business Agenda

9.a. Unfinished Business

9.a.1. 2nd Reading Of An Ordinance Amending The Budget For The Morehead Utility Plant Board For Fiscal Year 2024-2025 By The Board Of City Council Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 2nd Reading Of An Ordinance Amending The Budget For The Morehead Utility Plant Board For Fiscal Year 2024-2025 By The Board Of City Council Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky with a motion by Dr. Edna Schack and seconded by Mr. Lincoln Caudill.

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

9.a.2. 2nd Reading Of An Ordinance Adopting A Budget For The Morehead Utility Plant Board For Fiscal Year 2025-2026 By The Board Of City Council Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 2nd Reading Of An Ordinance Adopting A Budget For The Morehead Utility Plant Board For Fiscal Year 2025-2026 By The Board Of City Council Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky with a motion by Ms. Beth Ousley and seconded by Dr. Edna Schack.

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

9.a.3. 2nd Reading Of An Ordinance Amending The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Code Of Ordinances, Title 5, Public Utilities, Chapter 51, Gas And Water, 51.02, Service Rates And Charges; Chapter 53, Sewer, 52.72, Charges And Fees; Chapter 55, Storm Water, 55.06 Utility Fees, By Increasing The Rates, Charges and Fees

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 2nd Reading Of An Ordinance Amending The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Code Of Ordinances, Title 5, Public Utilities, Chapter 51, Gas And Water, 51.02, Service Rates And Charges; Chapter 53, Sewer, 52.72, Charges And Fees; Chapter 55, Storm Water, 55.06 Utility Fees, By Increasing The Rates, Charges and Fees with a motion by Mr. Lincoln Caudill and seconded by Dr. Edna Schack.

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

9.b. New Business

9.b.1. 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Amending The Morehead-Rowan County Tourism Commission Annual Budget For FY 07/01/24 Through 06/30/25 By Estimating Revenue And Resources And Appropriations Funds For The Operations Of Tourism And Convention Services, Budget Amendment 1

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Amending The Morehead-Rowan County Tourism Commission Annual Budget For FY 07/01/24 Through 06/30/25 By Estimating Revenue And Resources And Appropriations Funds For The Operations Of Tourism And Convention Services, Budget Amendment 1 with a motion by Ms. Beth Ousley and seconded by Dr. Edna Schack.

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

9.b.2. 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Amending The Morehead-Rowan County Tourism Commission Annual Budget For FY 07/01/24 Through 06/30/25 By Estimating Revenue And Resources And Appropriations Funds For The Operations Of Tourism And Convention Services, Budget Amendment 2

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Amending The Morehead-Rowan County Tourism Commission Annual Budget For FY 07/01/24 Through 06/30/25 By Estimating Revenue And Resources And Appropriations Funds For The Operations Of Tourism And Convention Services, Budget Amendment 2 with a motion by Mr. Lincoln Caudill and seconded by Ms. Beth Ousley.

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

9.b.3. 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Of The Morehead-Rowan County Tourism Commission Annual Budget For FY 07/01/25 Through 06/30/26 By Estimating Revenue And Resources And Appropriations Funds For The Operations Of Tourism And Convention Services, Fiscal Year Budget

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Of The Morehead-Rowan County Tourism Commission Annual Budget For FY 07/01/25 Through 06/30/26 By Estimating Revenue And Resources And Appropriations Funds For The Operations Of Tourism And Convention Services, Fiscal Year Budget with a motion by Ms. Beth Ousley and seconded by Dr. Edna Schack.

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

9.b.4. 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Adopting The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Annual Budget For FY 07/01/24 through 06/30/25 By Estimating Revenues And Resources And Appropriating Funds For The Operation Of City Government, Amendment No. 2

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve 1st Reading Of An Ordinance Adopting The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Annual Budget For FY 07/01/24 through 06/30/25 By Estimating Revenues And Resources And Appropriating Funds For The Operation Of City Government, Amendment No. 2 with a motion by Mr. Lincoln Caudill and seconded by Dr. Edna Schack.

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

9.b.5. A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Morehead Authorizing The Mayor To Make Application For And Upon Approval To Enter Into An Agreement With The Kentucky Department For Local Government (DLG) To Execute Any Documents Which Are Deemed Necessary By DLG To Approve A Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Housing Project In An Amount Up To \$1,000,000 For The Morehead Rodburn Hollow Housing Project

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Morehead Authorizing The Mayor To Make Application For And Upon Approval To Enter Into An Agreement With The Kentucky Department For Local Government (DLG) To Execute Any Documents Which Are Deemed Necessary By DLG To Approve A Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Housing Project In An Amount Up To \$1,000,000 For The Morehead

Rodburn Hollow Housing Project with a motion by Ms. Beth Ousley and seconded by Mr. Mike Kash.

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

9.b.6. A Resolution Of The Board Of City Council Of The City Of Morehead Authorizing And Approving The Mayor To Accept The Bid Of And Enter Into An Agreement With S&M Contracting LLC For The Bicycle-Pedestrian Improvements Phase 1 - East Main Shared Use Path

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Resolution Of The Board Of City Council Of The City Of Morehead Authorizing And Approving The Mayor To Accept The Bid Of And Enter Into An Agreement With S&M Contracting LLC For The Bicycle-Pedestrian Improvements Phase 1 - East Main Shared Use Path with a motion by Mr. Lincoln Caudill and seconded by Dr. Edna Schack.

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

9.b.7. A Resolution Authorizing Mayor Laura White-Brown And Successor In Title As The Authorized Official For The Tripplett Valley Trail Improvements Project And Authorizing The City Of Morehead To Submit A 2025 Recreational Trails Program Grant To The Department For Local Government

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Resolution Authorizing Mayor Laura White-Brown And Successor In Title As The Authorized Official For The Tripplett Valley Trail Improvements Project And Authorizing The City Of Morehead To Submit A 2025 Recreational Trails Program Grant To The Department For Local Government with a motion by Mr. Lincoln Caudill and seconded by Dr. Edna Schack.

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

9.b.8. A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Appoint Alex Hill To The City Of Morehead Board Of Zoning Adjustment

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Appoint Alex Hill To The City Of Morehead Board Of Zoning Adjustment with a motion by Mr. Mike Kash and seconded by Mr. Darrell Littleton.

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

9.b.9. A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Appoint Rick Whelan To The City Of Morehead Board Of Zoning Adjustment Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Appoint Rick Whelan To The City Of Morehead Board Of Zoning Adjustment with a motion by Mr. Mike Kash and seconded by Ms. Beth Ousley.

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

9.b.10. A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Re-Appoint Rebecca Davidson To The City Of Morehead Board Of Zoning Adjustment

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Re-Appoint Rebecca Davidson To The City Of Morehead Board Of Zoning Adjustment with a motion by Mr. Lincoln Caudill and seconded by Ms. Beth Ousley.

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

9.b.11. A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Re-Appoint Robin Mirus To The City Of Morehead Board Of Zoning Adjustment

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Re-Appoint Robin Mirus To The City Of Morehead Board Of Zoning Adjustment with a motion by Mr. Mike Kash and seconded by Mr. Lincoln Caudill.

Yes
Yes

9.b.12. A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Appoint Nick Adams To The City Of Morehead Ethics Board

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Appoint Nick Adams To The City Of Morehead Ethics Board with a motion by Ms. Beth Ousley and seconded Mr. Lincoln Caudill.

Yes
Yes

9.b.13. A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Appoint Aaron Coyle-Carr To The City Of Morehead Ethics Board

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Appoint Aaron Coyle-Carr To The City Of Morehead Ethics Board with a motion by Dr. Edna Schack and seconded by Mr. Lincoln Caudill.

Yes
Yes

9.b.14. A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Appoint Leann Potter To The City Of Morehead Ethics Board

Motion Passed: Motion To Approve A Municipal Order Of The City Of Morehead, Kentucky Approving Laura White-Brown To Appoint Leann Potter To The City Of Morehead Ethics Board with a motion by Ms. Beth Ousley and seconded by Dr. Edna Schack.

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

10. Other City Business: Old or New

Mayor White-Brown reported to the council and gave a power point presentation of the events from the previous month, which included proclamation signings, trainings, Coffee and Talk with First Responders, the Citizens Police Academy graduation and the Armor Truck Pull.

11. Adjournment

Laura White-Brown, Mayor

The meeting was properly adjourned at 7:07PM.	
Board of City Council Morehead, Kentucky	Approved by City Council on June 9, 2025 ATTEST:

Helen Smith, City Clerk