

**CITY OF CARROLLTON  
COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY HALL**

**MARCH 26, 2018  
7:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT**

**MAYOR: ROBB ADAMS**

**COUNCIL: KEVIN CRAIG  
HAYLEY FRANKLIN  
MIKE GORDON  
DOUG HILL  
DWIGHT LOUDEN**

**TEEN COUNCIL: ASHLEY SPENNEBERG**

**ATTORNEY FOR CITY: JAKE THOMPSON**

**ASSISTANT CITY CLERK: BETH TOOMBS**

**FIRE CHIEF: MIKE TERRELL**

**CODE ENFORCEMENT: JOHN WELCH**

**CCCDC DIRECTOR: GARY MATHIS**

**CHAPLAIN: REV. TIM POLLEY (ARRIVED AT 7:23 P.M.)**

**PRESS: NEWS DEMOCRAT/KRISTIN BECK**

**ABSENT: COUNCILMAN JEFF DICKOW  
TEEN COUNCIL: SAVANNAH HILL**

**CALL TO ORDER**

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT THE HOUR OF 7:03 P.M. BY MAYOR ADAMS. MAYOR ADAMS LED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. COUNCILMAN LOUDEN OFFERED THE INVOCATION.

**RECOGNITION OF GUESTS**

ROB SPENNEBERG AND ATHENA WHITTAKER DID NOT WISH TO ADDRESS COUNCIL.

DONALD WHITTAKER, A CANDIDATE FOR CONSTABLE IN 2ND DISTRICT, INTRODUCED HIMSELF TO COUNCIL.

LARRY WILLHOITE SAID THERE IS TRASH ALONG STREETS AND ALLEYS THROUGHOUT TOWN. HE ASKED COUNCIL IF THEY HAVE ANY PLANS IN THE FUTURE TO ADDRESS THIS. MAYOR ADAMS AND COUNCIL AGREED IT WAS A CODE ENFORCEMENT ISSUE. MAYOR ADAMS ASKED HIM TO BRING A LIST OF STREETS THAT HAVE TRASH. HE WILL ALSO ASK CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, GREG FORD, TO PAY ATTENTION WHEN HE'S OUT.

ERIN GILBERT, OF THE CARROLLTON FIRE DEPARTMENT AUXILIARY, SAID THEY ARE SPONSORING A MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH SATURDAY, MAY 19, FROM 11 A.M. - 2 P.M. THE COST IS \$6 FOR ADULTS, \$3 FOR MOTHERS, \$4 FOR AGES 4-12, AND KIDS UNDER 4 ARE FREE.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: REGULAR MEETING: 3/12/2018**

**THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN CRAIG AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND DULY CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF 3/12/2018.**

**AYES**

**5**

**NAYS**

**0**

### **DISCUSSION OF RENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

JAKE THOMPSON, ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY, CONVERTED THE HAND-OUT FROM PRIOR DISCUSSIONS TO AN ORDINANCE. HE HASN'T RECEIVED MUCH FEEDBACK YET FROM MAIN STREET DUE TO HILLARY BEING ON VACATION. COUNCILMEN LOUDEN AND GORDON HAVE HIGHLIGHTED AND NOTED CHANGES THAT NEED TO BE MADE. MR. THOMPSON AGREED WITH COUNCILMAN LOUDEN THAT LANGUAGE NEEDS TO BE TIGHTENED UP. ANY SUGGESTED CHANGES NEED TO BE SENT TO MR. THOMPSON, SINCE HE DRAFTED THE ORDINANCE. COUNCILMAN LOUDEN SUGGESTED DELETING PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT, TAX MORATORIUM, AND GRANT MATCHING FROM THE ORDINANCE. FACADE FUNDING SHOULD BE ONLY THING LEFT AS PART OF THE OLD ORDINANCE. COUNCILMAN LOUDEN ALSO SUGGESTED THAT THE PROCEDURE CHECKLIST SHOULDN'T BE A PART OF THE ORDINANCE. IT SHOULD BE ON FILE IN THE CODE ENFORCEMENT'S OFFICE. A MEETING WILL BE SET LATER TO MEET WITH THE ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE SINCE THE MAIN STREET PROGRAM DOESN'T MEET UNTIL APRIL 16.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **LIGHTS**

COUNCILMAN CRAIG ASKED ABOUT LIGHTS DOWNTOWN. COUNCILMAN GORDON SAID KENTUCKY UTILITIES HAS FIXED LAMP POSTS ALONG RIVERWALK. COUNCILMAN CRAIG SAID THERE ARE SEVERAL LIGHTS OUT ALONG MAIN ST AND LOWER HIGHLAND AVENUE. MAYOR ADAMS HAS ALSO GIVEN A LIST TO TROY ALDRIDGE, OF KENTUCKY UTILITIES.

### **BUTLER-TURPIN HOUSE WALKWAY RESTORATION**

GARY MATHIS HAS APPLIED FOR A GRANT TO RAISE FUNDS TO CONSTRUCT A NEW AND IMPROVED WALKWAY AT THE BUTLER-TURPIN HOUSE. FRIENDS OF BUTLER HOST THE BACKYARD CONCERT SERIES, TOURS OF THE HOME, AND PARANORMAL TOURS. DUE TO THE POOR CONDITION OF THE WALKWAY LEADING TO THE HOUSE, TOURISTS TURN AWAY. THE WEAR AND TEAR DUE TO WEATHER, AGING, AND POOR SOIL CONDITIONS IS PREVENTING MANY TOURSISTS FROM APPROACHING THE HOME AND EVENTS SAFELY. THE WALKWAY IS NO LONGER SAFE FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO WALK ON OR AROUND. THE NEWLY CONSTRUCTED WALKWAY WILL BE ABLE TO WITHSTAND THE SAND-BASED SOILS FOUND IN CARROLLTON. IT WILL BE A STAMPED CONCRETE INSTEAD OF THE CURRENT BRICKS THAT HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO COLLAPSE. THEY NEED TO RAISE \$3,000 WITHIN 45 DAYS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE GRANT. IF THE MONEY ISN'T RAISED WITHIN THE TIME FRAME, THE MONEY WILL BE HELD IN AN ACCOUNT UNTIL FRIENDS OF BUTLER RAISE ENOUGH MONEY TO FIX THE WALKWAY.

### **RIVERWALK CROSS SLOPE**

THE SMART LEVELS AREN'T MATCHING ON THE CROSS SLOPE OF THE RIVERWALK. THE SURVEY WAS SUPPOSED TO BE DONE WHEN THE FLOOD WATERS CAME UP IN FEBRUARY. THE MAYOR HAS LEFT TWO MESSAGES TO GET THE SURVEY COMPLETED SO THE GRANT MONEY CAN BE RELEASED TO US.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **SPLASH PARK**

MAYOR ADAMS SAID WE WOULD BE READY TO MOVE FORWARD ON SPLASH PARK ONCE A PERMIT COMES BACK. COUNCILMAN CRAIG ASKED IF THEY COULD GO

AHEAD AND SEE WHAT HAS BEEN DESIGNED. MAYOR ADAMS SAID THEY HAD TOLD HIM TO DESIGN THE PARK LIKE THE ONE EMINENCE HAS. COUNCILMAN CRAIG SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THREE OR FOUR DESIGNS IN OUR PRICE RANGE.

**2009 FORD CROWN VICTORIA**

THERE WERE NO BIDS RECEIVED FROM THE ADVERTISED NOTICE. SOMEONE HAS SINCE MADE AN OFFER OF \$225, AS IS, WITH NO WARRANTY OR GUARANTEE.

MAYOR ADAMS SAID THE POLICE DEPARTMENT ASKED ABOUT RAFFLING THE CAR OFF AT A DEMOLITION DERBY AS A DEMO CAR AND PROCEEDS GOING TO SHOP WITH A COP. THE MONEY WOULD HAVE TO GO TO THE GENERAL FUND AND ALLOCATED IN THE BUDGET TO SHOP WITH A COP. CHIEF WILLHOITE THINKS THEY CAN SELL MORE THAN \$225 IN RAFFLE TICKETS. THE FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS ARE BOTH APPLYING FOR A GAMING LICENSE, IN ORDER TO SELL RAFFLE TICKETS.

**THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CRAIG AND DULY CARRIED TO REJECT THE OFFER OF \$225 FOR THE 2009 FORD CROWN VICTORIA.**

AYES                      5                      NAYS                      0

**THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN CRAIG AND SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN FRANKLIN AND DULY CARRIED TO COMMIT TO SELL THE 2009 FORD CROWN VICTORIA BY RAFFLE.**

AYES                      5                      NAYS                      0

ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY, JAKE THOMPSON, ADVISED IT WOULD HAVE TO BE PUT IN THE MINUTES WHAT THE CAR ACTUALLY BROUGHT AND THOSE FUNDS PUT IN THE GENERAL FUND.

**MAYOR'S REPORTS**

THE MAYOR HAD NOTHING ELSE TO REPORT.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: PER KRS 61.810(C):PROPERTY ACQUISITION/DISPOSITION/LITIGATION**

**THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN LOUDEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND DULY CARRIED TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR DELIBERATIONS ON THE FUTURE ACQUISITION (OR SALE) OF REAL PROPERTY BY THE CITY PURSUANT TO KRS 61.810(1)(B) BECAUSE PUBLICITY IS LIKELY TO AFFECT THE VALUE OF THE PROPERTY AND TO DISCUSS PROPOSED OR PENDING LITIGATION ON BEHALF OF THE CITY PURSUANT TO KRS 61.810(1)(C) BECAUSE OF ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGE AT THE HOUR OF 7:44 P.M.**

AYES                      5                      NAYS                      0

**THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILWOMAN FRANKLIN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HILL AND DULY CARRIED TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT THE HOUR OF 7:54 P.M.**

AYES                      5                      NAYS                      0

NO ACTION TAKEN.

**APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL INVOICE**

MAYOR ADAMS HAD AN ADDITIONAL INVOICE NOT ON THE ACCOUNTS PAID/PAYABLE REPORT THAT NEEDS APPROVED. THE INVOICE WAS FROM SPURGEON

LAW FIRM , WHO WAS CONTRACTED TO REPRESENT THE CITY IN A PROPOSED PURCHASE OF PROPERTY IN THE CITY WHEN AMY EVERSOLE WAS THE CITY ATTORNEY. IT WAS A CONFLICT OF INTEREST FOR MS. EVERSOLE TO REPRESENT THE CITY. THE INVOICE IS FOR \$1,106.25.

**THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN CRAIG AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HILL AND DULY CARRIED TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF THE INVOICE FROM SPURGEON LAW FIRM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,106.25**

**AYES 5 NAYS 0**

**APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAID/PAYABLE 3/14/18 - 3/27/18**

**THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN FRANKLIN AND DULY CARRIED TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAID/PAYABLE 3/14/18 THROUGH 3/27/18.**

**AYES 5 NAYS 0**

**CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS**

JOHN WELCH TOLD COUNCIL THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD HAS SEVERAL RECOMMENDATIONS FROM TODAY'S MEETING TO ABATE PROPERTIES WITHIN THE CITY.

MR. WALTER COGHILL, JR. HAS PROPERTY AT 502 PARADISE ALLEY. HE WAS CITED 1/15/18 FOR UNFIT CONDITIONS OF A BUILDING. HE HAD CHOSEN TO REPAIR THE BUILDING, BUT NO WORK HAS BEEN DONE.

**THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN LOUDEN AND DULY CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION FOR ABATEMENT OF 502 PARADISE ALLEY.**

**AYES 5 NAYS 0**

MR. WELCH PRESENTED QUOTES TO DEMO THE BUILDING AT 502 PARADISE ALLEY, LEVEL, AND RE-SEED WITH GRASS. SCOTT MARTIN'S QUOTE WAS FOR \$4,500. LUHN & OAK SUBMITTED A BID OF \$4,230. BURKHARDT & CRAWFORD 'S BID WAS FOR \$2,950. NIXON CONTRACTING SUBMITTED A BID OF \$ 2,500.

**THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HILL AND DULY CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE BID BY NIXON CONTRACTING OF \$2,500 TO DEMO THE BUILDING AT 502 PARADISE ALLEY, LEVEL, AND RE-SEED WITH GRASS.**

**AYES 5 NAYS 0**

JAMA GREEN'S PROPERTY AT 816 6TH STREET WAS CITED FOR RUBBISH, OVERGROWN GRASS AND WEEDS, AND EQUIPMENT BEING STORED IN PUBLIC VIEW. SHE PROMISED SOMEONE WAS COMING TO PICK UP EQUIPMENT, BUT NO ONE EVER DID.

**THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HILL AND DULY CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION FOR ABATEMENT OF 816 6TH ST.**

**AYES 5 NAYS 0**

ELIAS CASTELLON'S PROPERTY AT 607 6TH ST WAS CITED FOR RUBBISH.

**THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN LOUDEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND DULY CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION FOR ABATEMENT OF 607 6TH ST.**

**AYES                      5                      NAYS                      0**

CROSSROADS RENTAL'S PROPERTY AT 901 6TH ST WAS CITED FOR RUBBISH, DEBRIS AND SCRAP METAL. THIS PROPERTY IS VACANT.

**THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN LOUDEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN FRANKLIN AND DULY CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION FOR ABATEMENT OF 901 6TH ST.**

**AYES                      5                      NAYS                      0**

SHARON & LILY HAS A VACANT HOUSE AT 819 6TH ST. THIS PROPERTY WAS CITED FOR OVERGROWN GRASS, RUBBISH, DEBRIS, AND SCRAP METAL.

**THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN LOUDEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN FRANKLIN AND DULY CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION FOR ABATEMENT OF 819 6TH ST.**

**AYES                      5                      NAYS                      0**

MAYOR ADAMS REMINDED EVERYONE THAT THE PROPERTY OWNERS WILL RECEIVE NOTICE OF ABATEMENT AND THEY CAN APPEAR BEFORE THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD ON APRIL 9, 2018. THEREFORE, NOTHING CAN HAPPEN TO THE PROPERTIES UNTIL AFTER APRIL 9TH.

**COMMENTS:**

**COUNCILMAN CRAIG:** HE WANTED TO WISH EVERYONE A HAPPY EASTER.

**COUNCILWOMAN FRANKLIN:** CHAMPIONS HELD THEIR MEETING MARCH 22ND.

**TEEN COUNCIL REP ASHLEY SPENNEBERG:** REPORT CARDS DISTRIBUTED TOMORROW, MARCH 27. MARCH 28 IS AWARDS DAY. SPRING BREAK IS NEXT WEEK.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN LOUDEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND DULY CARRIED TO STAND IN ADJOURNMENT AT THE HOUR OF 8:06 P.M.**

**AYES                      5                      NAYS                      0**

**ATTEST:**

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**ROBB W. ADAMS, MAYOR**

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**BETH A. TOOMBS, ASSISTANT CITY CLERK**