Special Called Meeting Benton City Council August 5, 2024

A special called meeting of the Benton City Council was held on Monday, August 5, 2024 at 2:00 pm at Benton City Hall. Mayor Rita Dotson called the meeting to order followed by Pledge of Allegiance and opening prayer by Guy Henton.

Council members present were Laura Craynon, Ann Riley, Butch Holland, Kevin Farley and Guy Henton. Absent was Lori Henson.

Other staff present were Bethany Cooper, City Clerk/Treasurer and Rob Mattingly, City Attorney.

Since no street paving bids were submitted last month, the City solicited quotes and only received one from Jim Smith Contracting in the amount of \$110/ton and \$30,000 for the proposed milling. A motion was made by Riley, seconded by Holland to approve. All agreed. Motion carried.

City Attorney Mattingly read the second reading of an ordinance amending the zoning map to provide for a change in the zoning classification for property located on Commerce Boulevard from C-2 to R-3. This zoning change is only contingent upon Wabuck Development being awarded Kentucky Housing Corporation tax credits for developing affordable elderly housing. This contingency expires July 23, 2025. A motion was made by Holland, seconded by Craynon to approve. All agreed. Motion carried.

City Attorney Mattingly read the seconded reading of an ordinance amending Planning and Zoning regulations to address medical cannabis. A motion was made by Henton, seconded by Craynon to approve. All agreed. Motion carried.

City Attorney Mattingly read the second reading of an ordinance to include the amount of any unpaid lien that has been recorded pursuant to KRS 65.8835 on any property tax bill that the city collects. A motion was made by Farley, seconded by Craynon to approve. All agreed. Motion carried.

City Attorney Mattingly read the first reading of a General Fund budget amendment. City Clerk/Treasurer Cooper explained that \$1,000,000 from the Fund Balance was moved to a separate line item for the CDBG for Marshall County Caring Needline. Likewise, \$1,000,000 from General Expenses was moved to a separate expense line item for same.

There being no further business to discuss, meeting adjourned at 2:13 pm.

Rita Óotson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Bethany Cooper, City Clerk/Treas