

RUSSELL SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2020
6:00 P.M.

The Russell Springs City Council held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, February 13, 2020 at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Room at Russell Springs City Hall. Those in attendance were Mayor Eddie Thomas, Council Members Ricky Barnes, Sherry Daniel, Larry Skaggs, Timmy Hudson, and David Blakey, City Attorney David Smith, Police Chief Joe Michael Irvin, ABC Administrator Jeramy Coffey, Code Enforcement Officer Brian Stephens, and City Clerk Christopher Ramsey.

Opening prayer was led by Kevin Williams

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Larry Skaggs

WELCOME: Mayor Thomas called the meeting to order and welcomed all those present.

ROLL CALL: Council Members in attendance, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Blakey, Ms. Daniel, Mr. Hudson, and Mr. Skaggs. Absent, Mr. Holt.

MINUTES: Mayor Thomas presented the minutes from the regular meeting held on January 9, 2020. **Councilman Blakey made a motion to approve the minutes with Councilman Hudson seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.**

CASH DISBURSEMENTS & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: Mayor Thomas submitted cash disbursements and financial statements for December 2019 to be approved. **Councilman Skaggs made a motion to accept the cash disbursements and financial statements with Councilwoman Daniel seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.**

CLASS ACTION OPIOID LAWSUIT: City Attorney Smith explained what joining a class action opioid lawsuit means and how the law firm of Helm, Shearer and Wilson would represent the City in this lawsuit. **Councilwoman Daniel made a motion to give Mayor Thomas authority to enter into an agreement with the law firm of Helm, Shearer, and Wilson to represent the City in the Class Action Opioid Lawsuit with Councilman Blakey seconding. The vote was unanimous.**

KEVIN'S KIDS: Kevin Williams presented about Kevin's Kids and his involvement, and the groups partnership with the Russell County School Resource Center. This years' benefit concert will be held March 28th at Russell Springs First Baptist Church. Mr. Williams invited everyone to come out and enjoy the concert. Mayor Thomas thanked everyone involved with this project.

STAR THEATER: Tracy Wariner presented on behalf of the Russell County Arts Council about the upcoming event at the Star Theater, A Night With the Stars. Mrs. Wariner also thanked Mayor Thomas and City Council for their involvement and support of the Star Theater.

Mayor's Update:

Mayor Thomas gave an update on Dunamis Fitness building that is under construction by Ivan Bennett behind the Wendy's restaurant. Construction is set to be complete and operations of the facility should begin this coming fall.

The property behind K-Mart is being developed by Brad Vaughn. He is in the process of building a 12,000 sq foot building that will house Hop, Skip, and Play (a children's bouncy playhouse) and a laundromat. In the future, he plans on building an apartment complex and storage units on the 9 acre development.

Mayor Thomas let the council know that he and Clerk Ramsey met with Baldwin and Associates CPAs concerning the 2018-2019 audit and has given the City a clean 2018-2019 audit. Mr. Drew Ulmer, of Baldwin and Associates will be down next week to present the full audit to the Council.

The City submitted an application to be apart of an upcoming project with HGTV. Mayor Thomas thanked Mr. Ramsey and Mr. Coffey for heading up the project.

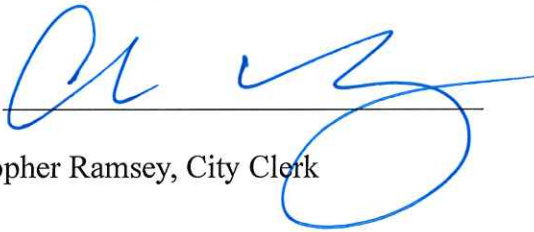
Mayor Thomas wrapped up by thanking Councilman Skaggs and Mr. Coffey for making the trip to Frankfort with earlier this week to lobby on behalf of the City.

ADJOURNMENT: Councilman Skaggs made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Councilman Hudson seconding. All was in favor.



Eddie Thomas, Mayor

Attest:



Christopher Ramsey, City Clerk