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

The Russell Springs City Council held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, August 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, Tom Holt, and David Blakey, Interim Police Chief Melissa Taylor, Code Enforcement Officer Brian Stephens, ABC Administrator Jeramy Coffey, and City Clerk Christopher Ramsey.

Opening prayer was led by Eric Bennett

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Larry Skaggs

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

ROLL CALL: City Clerk Christopher Ramsey performed the roll call. Council Members in attendance, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Blakey, Ms. Daniel, Mr. Holt, Mr. Hudson, and Mr. Skaggs.

MINUTES: Mayor Thomas presented the minutes from the regular meeting held on July 9th. Councilman Holt made a motion to approve the minutes with Councilman Blakey seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.

CASH DISBURSEMENTS & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: Mayor Thomas submitted cash disbursements and financial statements for June 2020 to be approved. Councilwoman Daniel made a motion to accept the cash disbursements and financial statements with Councilman Hudson seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.

1st READING OF ORDINANCE 2020-04 – CLOSING PORTION OF WALNUT LANE: City Attorney David Smith performed the first reading of Ordinance 2020-04. Russell Springs Citizens Les Gosser and Eric Bennett voiced their concern of the closing.

1st READING OF ORDINANCE 2020-05 – CLOSING PORTION OF BURD ROAD: City Attorney Smith performed the first reading of Ordinance 2020-05. Russell Springs Citizen Darry McElroy had a question about this road closing. Russell Springs Citizen Richard Shivel voiced his concern of the closing.

911 AGREEMENT: City Clerk Christopher Ramsey read the proposed 911 Agreement between the Russell County Fiscal Court, City of Jamestown, Russell County Ambulance Service, and City of Russell Springs. Councilwoman Daniel made a motion to accept and continue the 911 Agreement for another contract year with Councilman Skaggs seconding. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous.

FESTIVAL AT THE SPRINGS: Mayor Thomas announced that the Festival At The Springs had been canceled this year due to the Coronavirus.

Mayor's Update:

Mayor Thomas gave an update on the new Police/ABC Building, the building is still progressing and is about 60% completed at this time.

TJ Sampson is planning on having an open house and ribbon cutting this coming week. It has been delayed a few times.

The City of Russell Springs, Russell County Fiscal Court, and the Russell County School System has agreed to continue with Clete McAninch as the School Resource Officer at the Russell County High School. Officer McAninch will be doing welfare checks and assisting with food delivery until the children are back in live session.

KLC Annual Meeting will be virtual this year. Mayor Thomas told the council that if they are interested in signing up for the event, get with Mr. Ramsey.

KLC stopped by earlier this week to give Mayor Thomas and Councilwoman an award.

City pool will be closing after Labor Day this year.

Mayor Thomas thanked Melissa Taylor for stepping in the role as Interim Police Chief and praised her for doing a great job.

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

Eddie Thomas, Mayor

Attest:

Christopher Ramsey, City Clerk