

IRVINGTON CITY COUNCIL
Special Called Meeting streamed via Facebook Live
Minutes for September 17, 2020 7:00 ET

Due to the Covid-19 (Corona Virus) and orders from Governor Andy Beshear, the September 17, 2020 Special Called Meeting was held at City Hall and streamed via Facebook Live.

The Special Called Meeting of the Irvington City Council was called to order by Mayor Yvonne Kennedy. Prayer was by Council Member Bruce Basham followed by the Pledge to the American Flag.

Roll Call – Council Members Bruce Basham, Becky Brown, Nancy Ditto, Pat Logsdon and Susie Pollard were present. Council Members Eric Turner was absent.

Nancy Ditto requested to add discussion on council pay. Due to this being a special called meeting, this discussion will be delayed until the October Meeting.

MINUTES – Susie Pollard moved to approve the August 3, 2020 Regular Meeting via Facebook Live minutes. Bruce Basham seconded the motion. All council members voted affirmative. Motion carried.

Susie Pollard moved to approve the August 17, 2020 Special Called Meeting via Facebook Live minutes. Pat Logsdon seconded the motion. All council members voted affirmative. Motion carried.

Bruce Basham moved to approve the August 24, 2020 Special Called Meeting via Facebook Live minutes. Motion was seconded by Susie Pollard. All council members voted affirmative. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT- The August Treasurer’s report was presented. Susie Pollard requested an activity report for the Vehicle Repair and Maintenance account to be emailed.

CLERK REPORT – City Clerk Mona Drane reported August RECC collections \$45,313.23, sold 2 city stickers and issued nine business license. Overtime report = 123 hrs and 9 minutes for August.

WATER/SEWER REPORT- Maintenance Supervisor Chris Lucas reported they had hauled gravel for pile at the shop, cleaned up tree limbs, fogged for mosquitos, replaced a couple meter wells, repaired 3 water leaks, sprayed weeds, repaired 2 sewer problems (pumped tanks) and picked up trash on right of way. Becky Brown requested a 24 month activity report for the Municipal Road Aid account be emailed by Wednesday, September 23. Becky Brown moved to wait until Spring 2021 to blacktop streets. Bruce Basham seconded the motion. All voted affirmative. Motion carried. Becky Brown requested a copy of the Sidewalk Grant be emailed. Susie Pollard moved to advertise for bids on removal with option of 3 or 5 trees. The ad is to be run for 2 weeks. Pat Logsdon seconded the motion. All voted affirmative. Motion carried. Chris Lucas suggested we start looking for a Christmas tree. Susie Pollard suggested we ask for a donated tree on Facebook. Mayor Yvonne Kennedy said she would also ask Roberts Family Farm. Chris Lucas was permitted to leave after his report.

Due to some technical difficulties broadcasting via Facebook Live, it was suggested the city look into upgrading to fiber.

POLICE DEPARTMENT-Police Chief Brandon Brinkley reported 155 calls for service, total citations-45, total charges-85, outstanding warrants-12, total arrests-19, collisions-2, domestic violence-2.

FIRE DEPARTMENT – Fire Chief Brian Board was not present and no report was available. Becky Brown requested a clean copy of the SOPs be emailed.

VETERANS MEMORIAL- Two new stones have been purchased and plans are being made to rebuild the stone top.

VANCE SIMMONS PARK – A request was made for financial reports be emailed for the Vance Simmons Park by Thursday, September 24. An extension for the park grant can be granted. Paperwork for the extension will be done in October.

EVA CARMAN PARK – The water is working at the park; however, there was no electric. Chris Lucas met with Bobby Ray on this matter.

CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD – The board met Wednesday, September 16, 2020. Letters will be sent out to several property owners. The Clifford Martin property that was sold is being cleaned up. Edna Lucas resigned from the board. Howard Basham expressed interest as a board member and Charles Reesor will be an alternate. Becky Brown requested a copy of the Code Enforcement Ordinance be emailed to council members. Discussion on new board members was tabled until the October meeting.

CEDAR HILL CEMETARY – Mayor Kennedy reported several plots have been sold. It was suggested we look into getting a land and plot survey done. Susie Pollard will give some information she had received earlier to Mayor Kennedy in order to get some quotes. Susie Pollard inquired if the Basham marker had been replaced. Mayor Kennedy will check with Keith Monuments on this.

OLD BUSINESS

PURCHASE ORDERS BOOKS – Mayor Kennedy reported this concerned day to day operations and all purchase order books are at City Hall.

2019 AUDIT – Melissa Martin gave a date of November 2 to have the audit finished. It was requested she report the audit findings at the November meeting.

FIRE DEPARTMENT SOPs – Becky Brown suggested we table the discussion on the SOPs until the October meeting.

PROPERTY TAX RATE ASSESSMENT – Mona Drane was requested to contact Joseph Coleman affirming the tax rates. Becky Brown moved to use the .475 tax rate for 2020. The motion died for lack of a second. Becky Brown renewed her motion to use the .475 tax rate for real property and then rescinded the motion. A Special Called Zoom meeting was tentatively set for Tuesday, September 22 to set the tax rate. Council Member Bruce Basham left the meeting at 8:30 pm ET.

TAX ORDINANCE 2017-08 ATTORNEY REVIEW – City Attorney Rachel Brown was not present to report. Mona Drane suggested a correction be made to change from “cash or certified funds” to “cash or

checks". This will be presented to the city attorney for corrections. Changes in the ordinance will be considered at the October meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

FIREWORKS ORDINANCE – City Attorney Rachel Brown is working on a nuisance ordinance to add a clause about fireworks. It was suggested the clause address certain special dates and events.

DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX CONCERN – Mona Drane reported Greg Shoulders has suggested accounts with Mr. Goodgine be written off as uncollectable. Becky Brown moved this account be written off. Pat Logsdon seconded the motion. All voted affirmative. Motion carried. A report of abandonment and disinvestment from Greg Shoulders was presented for informational purposes.

TRICK OR TREAT – Trick or Treat hours will be from 5-8 pm ET on Saturday, October 31, 2020.

ADJOURN - Susie Pollard moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Pat Logsdon. All council members voted affirmative. Motion carried and meeting was adjourned.

Yvonne Kennedy
Mayor

ATTEST

Mona Drane
City Clerk/Treasurer