

WELCOME

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM on April 4, 2022 by Mayor Solomon.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Solomon led all attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

A quorum was present and a roll call was taken: Commissioner Eric Dulaney, Commissioner Jeremy Ramage, Commissioner John Mefford, Commissioner Brian Garner, and Mayor Larry Solomon.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Solomon asked for approval of March 7, 2022 meeting minutes. Commissioner Garner motioned and Commissioner Mefford seconded that motion. **Motion approved 5-0.**

Mayor Solomon asked for approval of March 21, 2022 meeting minutes. Commissioner Mefford motioned and Commissioner Ramage seconded that motion. **Motion approved 5-0.**

VISITORS/GUEST WISHING TO SPEAK

Mayor Solomon addressed Mr. Doug Bine about the issue at 8825 US HWY 42, Kroger Fuel Station, and informed him that he had spoken to his contact person at Kroger concerning the port-o-lets, dumpsters, and blacked out signs. The Mayor was told that Kroger was going to put permanent restrooms in at the fuel stations but that the store had never gotten around to doing so. Mr. Bine also asked the Mayor if it was possible to give extra consideration to Veterans who applied for the Public Works Supervisor position.

FY 2020-21 FINANCIAL REPORT

Commissioner Ramage gave an update on the financial report. He provided updates of the snow removal totals. He also mentioned the check amount for the earnest money for property purchased by the city, and planning and zoning payouts. The last thing mentioned was delinquent taxes; they will be turned over to Attorney Voss.

Mayor Solomon requested approval of monthly bills. Commissioner Garner made a motion and Commissioner Dulaney seconded the motion. **Motion approved 5-0.**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Commissioner Dulaney gave updates on Viox & Viox that they accepted the proposal of the new Gateway Monument. Dulaney also discussed the business mixer that will be on Thursday April 7, at Boomtown Biscuits & Whiskey.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Commissioner Mefford gave an update on events that will be taking place this year including the following:

- Easter Egg Hunt. April 16, 2022.
- Union Celebrates America. June 24, 2022.
- SPC Zachary Salmon Soldier Run. September 25, 2022.
- Bourbon and Bluegrass Festival. October 22, 2022.
- Breakfast with Santa. December 10, 2022.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

City Administrator Dave Plummer gave update on ARPA funds and reported that April 30 is the deadline for when expenditures needed to be reported. Mr. Plummer also mentioned that the City received a check this week from the state of KY in the amount of \$2,331.51; this check was due to there being an overage in ARPA funds.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Commissioner Garner gave updates on the 2022 Street Repair Bids, Riegler was winning bid for both Phase A - Asphalt Resurfacing, Base Repairs, Joint Sealing and Phase C - Edge/Side Drains, Phase B – Curb and Gutter, Sidewalks/ADA Ramps is still being worked out with contractor, Phase D – striping will not be awarded to anyone because of there was not a reasonable bid.

LEGISLATION

RESOLUTION 2022-04. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF UNION TO USE THE STANDARD ALLOWANCE FOR THE LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND AS AUTHORIZED BY THE AMERICAN RESCUE ACT.

Commissioner Mefford made a motion and Commissioner Ramage seconded the motion. **Motion approved 5-0.**

MUNICIPAL ORDER 2022-05. A MUNICIPAL ORDER REAPPOINTING BEN DETRAZ TO SERVE ON THE UNION/WALTON JOINT CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD.

Commissioner Ramage made a motion and Commissioner Dulaney seconded the motion. **Motion approved 5-0.**

MUNICIPAL ORDER 2022-06. A MUNICIPAL ORDER ACCEPTING THE CONTRACT OF RIEGLER BLACKTOP, INC. FOR PHASE A – PARTS 1 THRU 9 – FULL RESURFACING, BASE REPAIRS AND JOINT SEALING.

Commissioner Mefford made a motion and Commissioner Dulaney seconded the motion. **Motion approved 5-0.**

MUNICIPAL ORDER 2022-07. A MUNICIPAL ORDER ACCEPTING THE CONTRACT OF RIEGLER BLACKTOP, INC. FOR PHASE C – PARTS 1 THRU 4 – EDGE/SIDE DRAINS

Commissioner Garner made a motion and Commissioner Mefford seconded the motion. **Motion approved 5-0.**

MUNICIPAL ORDER 2022-08. A MUNICIPAL ORDER OF THE UNION CITY COMMISSION ("CITY") AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF A PORTION OF ITS ALLOTMENT OF THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000.00 TO THE CHILDREN'S HOME OF NORTHERN KENTUCKY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Commissioner Dulaney made a motion and Commissioner Ramage seconded the motion. **Motion approved 5-0.**

ORDINANCE 2022-06. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING 32.21 OF THE CITY OF UNION CODE OF ORDINANCES ESTABLISHING A MONTHLY CAUCUS MEETING AND SETTING THE DAY AND TIME FOR SAID CAUCUS MEETING FOR THE CITY OF UNION, KENTUCKY (2nd Reading)

After Attorney Voss provided the second reading of stated Ordinance, Mayor Solomon asked for any discussion. Commissioner Ramage asked the question if the meetings were held at another location other than the City Building if they would need to be announced. City Attorney Voss answered that if the meetings are moved they would be considered a Special Meeting. Commissioner Ramage then made a motion and Commissioner Mefford seconded the motion. **Motion approved 5-0**

ORDINANCE 2022-07. AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND ANACTING THE COMPREHENSIVE PAY PLAN FOR THE NON-ELECTIVE CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF UNION, KENTUCKY IN ACCORDANCE WITH KRS 83A.070 (2). (1st Reading)

City Administrator Dave Plummer gave discussion that he adjusted the pay ranges to make them competitive with the NKY Region and that is what the scales reflects. Mr. Plummer also mentioned that the Public Works Supervisor position is added to the pay plan scale.

ORDINANCE 2022-08. AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE CREATION OF THE POSITION OF PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR FOR THE CITY OF UNION, KENTUCKY SPECIFYING POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE POSITION
(1ST Reading)

Mayor Solomon mentioned that the position of the Public Works Supervisor would work with the City Engineer. Commissioner Mefford then asked if the position would require a CDL driver's license. Attorney Voss answered that at this time it would not be required. Commissioner Ramage asked if there would be a background check, drug/ alcohol screening prior to hiring. Attorney Voss and City Administrator Mr. Plummer both responded that the City has current personnel policies for both background checks and drug/alcohol screening prior to the hiring process. Commissioner Ramage also wanted to know if random drug testing was in the current city policy. Attorney Voss answered that the city does not have a policy for random drug testing. Attorney Voss mentioned that he would be looking at the personnel policy with City Administrator David Plummer to make sure all necessary policies are updated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Solomon announced that the City Commission will hold a Caucus Meeting on April 18, 2022 at 6:30 PM, and a Regular Commission Meeting on May 2, 2022 at 6:30 PM both will be held at the Union City Building, 1843 Bristow Dr., Union, KY 41091.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Solomon called an executive session to be held in accordance with KRS 61.810(1) (b), KRS 61810(1) (g). Commissioner Garner made a motion and Commissioner Mefford seconded the motion.

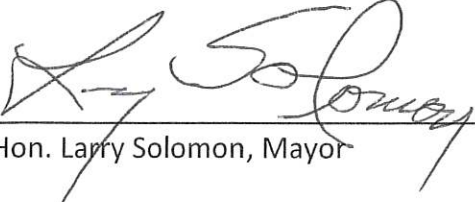
Motion approved 5-0 at 7:15 PM

Commissioner Ramage made a motion to exit executive session and Commissioner Dulaney seconded the motion. **Motion approved at 7:39 PM**

ADOURNMENT

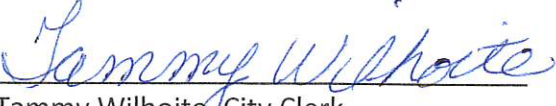
A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Ramage and seconded by Commissioner Mefford. **Motion approved 5-0.** Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Approved:



Hon. Larry Solomon, Mayor

Attest:



Tammy Wilhoite, City Clerk