

WELCOME

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM on May 2, 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 April 4, 2022 meeting minutes. Commissioner Garner motioned and Commissioner Mefford seconded that motion. **Motion approved 5-0.**

Mayor Solomon asked for approval of April 18, 2022 meeting minutes. Commissioner Ramage motioned and Commissioner Dulaney seconded that motion. **Motion approved 5-0.**

VISITORS/GUEST WISHING TO SPEAK

Noreen Morgan addressed fencing at Union Rice Cemetery, she appreciated that some of the fence had been replaced but also addressed that that side fence still needs to be replaced and the area along the side fence lines needed to be cleaned up. City Administrator Plummer responded that Rice Cemetery is going to be updated in phases with the first phase being focused on the front of the property with the new fence, flower beds and landscaping. The future phases will include the perimeter of the fence. The Mayor agreed that the city will take a look at the fence, clean it up to give it more curb appeal.

Mayor Solomon issued the Oath of Office to Ben Detraz, he will be serving on the Union/Walton Joint Code Enforcement Board.

FY 2020-21 FINANCIAL REPORT

Commissioner Ramage gave an update on the financial report. The Mayor mentioned that the Finance Committee will be prepared to discuss 2022/2023 FY budget at the next Caucus Meeting. Commissioner Ramage requested approval of the monthly bills. Commissioner Dulaney made a motion and Commissioner Mefford seconded the motion.

Motion approved 5-0

future of the project.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Commissioner Dulaney gave updates on Viox & Viox, they will be looking at the site for the Gateway sign, evaluating the area and making recommendations as to how to move forward.

Commissioner Dulaney also discussed the Beautification project proposal on Mt. Zion Rd, he explained that Kentucky Transportation Cabinet rejected all of the encroachment permits for the project. The Urban Forestry Department and City Administrator David Plummer will meet with KYTC to discuss the

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Commissioner Mefford gave an updates on upcoming events.

- Union Celebrates America June 24, Parade starts at 6:00 p.m.
- Photo Contest will be between August 1, October 31.
- SPC Zachary Salmon Soldier Run. September 25, 2022.
- Bourbon and Bluegrass Festival. October 22, 2022.
- Breakfast with Santa. December 10, 2022.

It was also stated by Commissioner Mefford and the Mayor that Cincinnati Bell is doing a good job with the installation of fiber optics. The Mayor did mention that better communication was a concern with a lot of residents, and it has been addressed at the County level.

The city will hang Honor Banners on utility poles throughout the city from Memorial Day through Veterans Day. This year we have a total of 34 banners. Additionally, the new city signs are complete and will be installed at points of entry into the city of Union.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The public works Supervisor position will be in the Boone Co. Recorder May 5, and May 12. Large Zoning Updates will be coming to the city later this year, items included are such as:

- Food Trucks
- Small Antennas
- Short Term Rentals
- Sign Regulations
- Electric Charging Stations

Currently our code does not regulate these items and technically if it is not mentioned in the code it is not a use that you can use property for. It was suggested by City Administrator Plummer that a representative from the Boone Co. Planning Commission be invited to a Union Commission Meeting either in July or August after The Planning Commission completes the final draft of the Zoning Updates which is expected in June. Both the Mayor and Commissioners were supportive of the idea of inviting the Boone Co. Planning Commission to a future meeting.

April was the deadline for reporting on the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds and we have successfully submitted our first report and updated our Sams Registration number. With the reporting being complete the donation check for Children's Home of Northern Kentucky (CHNK) Behavioral Health in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars has been written.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

- Brilliance Ave. planning is nearing completion, this is the extension of Brilliance Ave. to Mt. Zion Rd.
- Street sweeping took place on April 26, the next one will take place in November, and they will also clean up after Union Celebrates America.
- The Union Promenade storm water infrastructure was discussed by City Administrator Plummer.
 Two Large sewer systems are currently being built and we are currently working with KYTC and
 SD1 to see who will take ownership once they are completed.

LEGISLATION

MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. 2022-09 A MUNICIPAL ORDER ACCEPTING THE CONTRACT OF TRU-LINE STRIPING, LLC FOR STRIPING OF SPEED HUMPS, SPEED TABLES AND CROSSWALKS WITHIN THE CITY OF UNION, KENTUCKY AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR RO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT Commissioner Mefford made a motion and Commissioner Dulaney seconded the motion. Motion approved 5-0.

MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. 2022-10 A MUNICIPAL ORDER ACCEPTING THE CONTRACT OF TMS CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR PHASE B- PARTS 1 AND 2 CONCRETE CURB, GUTTER AND SIDEWALKS/ADA RAMPS FOR LOCATIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF UNION, KENTUCKY AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT Commissioner Mefford inquired if there were addresses of the work being completed. City Engineer Burke responded that there is detail in the contract of the work to be completed. Also, only ADA Ramps that need to be repaired will be replaced. Commissioner Garner made a motion and Commissioner Mefford seconded the motion. Motion approved 5-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-07 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND ENACTING THE COMPREHENSIVE PAY PLAN FOR THE NON-ELECTED CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF UNION, KENTUCKY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH KRS 83A.070 (2) (2nd Reading)

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-09 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF UNION, KENTUCKY IMPOSING REGULATIONS AND FEES ON THOSE ENGAGED IN FRANCHISES, TRADES, OCCUPATIONS, PROFESSIONS AND OTHER BUSINESSES IN THE CITY (2nd Reading)

Commissioner Garner made a motion and Commissioner Ramage seconded the motion. Mayor Solomon voted aye, Commissioner Mefford voted aye, Commissioner Garner voted aye, Commissioner Ramage voted aye and Commissioner Dulaney voted nay. **Motion approved 4-1**

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-10 AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE COMPENSATION FOR MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE CITY OF UNION, KENTUCKY (2nd Reading)

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-11 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2014-20 CODIFIED AS CHAPTER 40, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 40.40 OF THE CITY OF UNION, KENTUCKY CODE OF ORDINANCES (1st Reading)

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-12 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF UNION, KENTUCKY APPROVING, WITH CONDITIONS, A REQUEST OF RIEGLER BLACKTOP, INC PER DAN RIEGLER (APPLICANT) FOR DR. JAMES WRIGHT (OWNER) FOR A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT FROM UNION COMMERCIAL (UC) TO UNION COMMERCIAL/PLANNED DEVELOPMENT (UC/PD) AND A CHANGE IN AN APPROVED CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT PLAN IN A UC DISTRICT FOR AN APPROXIMATE 2.5 ACRE AREA LOCATED ALONG THE EAST SIDE OF U.S. 42, BETWEEN FROGTOWN ROAD AND CALLIE WAY, BEING THE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 10350 AND 10358 U.S. 42, UNION, KENTUCKY (1st Reading)

Discussion was given by the developers for the property in regards to requirements and intentions of the parking lot and signage. During the meeting the developers presented to the Commissioners and Mayor

the proposed plans of connecting the parking lot and expressed that there was currently a disagreement between land owners that will need to be settled before moving forward with the road extension.

Mr. Erik Hermes presented visual drawings of signage and asked the Commission for a change in zoning regulations to allow logos in signage on the front of buildings at Union Pointe Centre. The Commission came to an agreement they would continue the discussion on signage at the next Caucus/Commission Meeting on May 16, 2022, before making a final decision. Mr. Hermes also gave information on the relocation of utility meters, he explained how moving the meters from the front of the buildings to a hidden storage area would look better to the buildings aesthetically.

Residential Developer RJ Riegler asked the Commission if a section of landscape which is within the city right-of-way could be eliminated. Once the landscape is removed the location which is at Chris Ct and Lucille Ln would be paved only. Mayor Solomon asked for discussion from Commissioners. All of the Commissioners agreed to the changes.

City Engineer Burke inquired about the ownership of the streets in the development of Union Pointe Centre, if they would be private or public and who would be responsible for maintaining them once complete. Developer Dan Riegler explained that all of the streets within this development will be built to public standard and maintained by the owners of the properties and remain private streets.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Solomon announced that the City Commission will hold a Caucus/Commission Meeting on May 16, 2022 at 6:30 PM, and a Regular Commission Meeting on June 6, 2022 at 6:30 PM both will be held at the Union City Building, 1843 Bristow Dr., Union, KY 41091.

ADOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Mefford and seconded by Commissioner Ramage. **Motion approved 5-0**. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Approved:

Hon. Larry Solomon, Mayor

Attest: