



CAUCUS/COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

JULY 17, 2023 – 6:00 PM

1843 BRISTOW DRIVE

UNION, KY 41091

WELCOME

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM, 2023 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 Doug Bine, Commissioner Brian Garner, Commissioner Jeremy Ramage, Commissioner John Mefford and Mayor Larry Solomon.

CAUCUS DISCUSSION

Economic Development Update

Commissioner Bine gave an update on new businesses coming to the city. Union Pointe Center is progressing with their construction. Graeter's and United Dairy Farmers are also moving forward with the construction of their buildings. The entry monuments at the Promenade development are now being installed. Commissioner Bine mentioned there was an Economic Development Committee (EDC) meeting July 11, 2023 with T.J. Ackermann, one of the Promenade Developers. The purpose of the meeting was to have more communication moving forward between the developers and the EDC.

Whispering Trail

Public Works Director Paul Kremer informed that a letter was sent by Attorney Greg Voss to the homeowner who has not signed one of the needed easements. A copy of the letter was also placed on the door of the homeowner by City Administrator Amy Safran. No communication has been received by the city from the homeowner. Unless all required easements are obtained the project will not move forward. The suggestion was made to send a new letter to all the

homeowners on Whispering Trail explaining the one-time federal funding received by the City of Union and the cost share project with Sanitation District No. 1 making it possible to correct a water drainage issue. The original deadline of June 27, that was set by the city commission has passed and the commission agreed to set a new deadline of August 1 to receive the final signed easement. If not, the project will be canceled indefinitely.

No Solicitor Signs

City Administrator Amy Safran updated on the no solicitor signs discussed at the Commission meeting on July 5. The city currently has 120 addresses plus the neighborhoods of Hempstead and Fowlers Creek on the no knock list. The no solicitor's signs would be offered as an option for purchase to homeowners to place in their yards as a visual indicator. Three sign options were given to the commission, after a vote they decided on sign option number two. The decision was made to purchase 250 signs to be sold at the city building for a cost of ten dollars.

Payroll Tax

City Administrator Amy Safran mentioned the deadline of July 1 has passed when businesses need to register for a business license and payroll tax. The city sent out another round of approximately 850 letters last week as a reminder to register.

Audio Equipment Replacement

City Administrator Amy Safran mentioned she obtained an estimate from Intelligence 360 Technology Solutions for new audio equipment for the large conference room replacing the current malfunctioning equipment. The total cost is \$3,757.77 which will include the camera equipment, presentation equipment, setup, and installation. Mayor Solomon asked for approval to spend up to \$4,000.00 for the purchase and installation of the audio equipment. Mayor Solomon made a motion and Commissioner Bine seconded the motion. **Motion approved 5-0**

LEGISLATION

Municipal Orders

MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. 2023-28 A MUNICIPAL ORDER ACCEPTING THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF UNION, KENTUCKY AND THE 1995 GRAMMAS CHILDREN'S FAMILY TRUST AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF UNION, KENTUCKY

Commissioner Bine made a motion and Commissioner Mefford seconded that motion. Commissioner Ramage vote nay. **Motion approved 4-1**

MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. 2023-29 A MUNICIPAL ORDER ACCEPTING THE CONTRACT OF LONKARD CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE BRILLIANCE AVENUE EXTENSION PROJECT WITHIN THE CITY OF UNION, KENTUCKY AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT

Commissioner Mefford made a motion and Commissioner Garner seconded that motion.

Commissioner Mefford voted aye, Commissioner Garner voted aye, Commissioner Bine voted aye, Commissioner Ramage voted nay and Mayor Solomon voted aye. **Motion approved 4-1**

MAYOR/CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Mayor Solomon stated now that the ordinance to construct Brilliance Avenue Extension has passed the project will be transferred from the Economic Development Committee to the Public Works Committee.

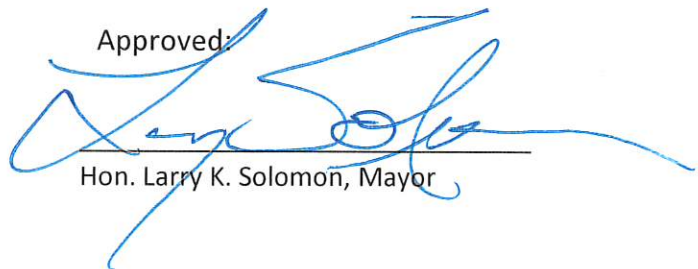
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Solomon announced that the City Commission will hold a Regular Commission Meeting on Monday August 7, at 6:00 PM. He also stated that the next Caucus/Commission Meeting will be on Monday August 21, at 6:00 PM both meetings will be held at the city building located 1843 Bristow Drive Union, KY 41091.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Solomon asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Ramage made a motion and Commissioner Bine seconded that motion. **Motion approved 5-0**
The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 PM.

Approved:



Hon. Larry K. Solomon, Mayor

Attest:



Tammy Wilhoite, City Clerk