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MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
VERSAILLES MUNICIPAL BUILDING/5:30 P.M.**

ROLL CALL: MAYOR BRIAN TRUGOTT PRESIDED OVER THE MEETING. ALSO PRESENT WERE COUNCIL MEMBERS MARY BRADLEY, MIKE COLEMAN, LAURA DAKE, LISA JOHNSON, FRED SIEGELMAN, AND AARON SMITHER. CITY ATTORNEY BILL MOORE WAS ALSO PRESENT.

DEPT. HEADS: BART MILLER, MIKE MURRAY, T.A. RANKIN AND ELIZABETH REYNOLDS WERE PRESENT REPRESENTING THEIR RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS.

Mayor Traugott extended sympathy to the families of John Crawford and Denny Powell, Versailles residents who both passed away this past week. He noted that Mr. Crawford was a staple at the Woodford County Library and recently lost his battle with cancer. Mr. Powell owned Powell Farm Construction and had completed numerous projects for the City. He also has a stepson that currently works for the utilities department. Mayor Traugott asked everyone to continue to pray for these families.

MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 1, 2022 REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Johnson, Siegelman and Smither voting aye.

Mayor Traugott noted that the minutes of the March 8, 2022 Work Session do not need to be approved or adopted because they simply state that the meeting wasn't held due to the lack of a quorum.

Sherri McDaniel, Director of Woodford County Recycling, was present the council for support and approval for the annual Household Hazardous Waste Grant Application. She noted that this is something the City supports each year as a signer on the grant. The grant allows them to host a Hazardous Waste Collection day each year. Assuming the grant is approved, then the event will be held in September.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO INSTRUCT MAYOR TRUGOTT TO SIGN THE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE GRANT APPLICATION EXPRESSING THE CITY'S SUPPORT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Johnson, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

Public Works Director Bart Miller presented the following quotes for the Preparation of Site for Lagoon Clean-Out at the Water Treatment Plant:

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| C.C. Moore Co., Inc. | \$8,500.00 |
| Perdue Excavating | \$11,000.00 |

Mr. Miller recommended the low bid as presented by C.C. Moore Co., Inc.

MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY DAKE TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY C.C. MOORE CO., INC. FOR PREPARATION OF SITE FOR LAGOON CLEAN-OUT AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,500.00.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Johnson, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

Mr. Miller also presented quotes for the Lagoon Clean-Out at the Water Treatment Plant, as follows:

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| C.C. Moore Co., Inc. | \$18,900.00 |
| Kendall Contracting | \$20,800.00 |
| Perdue Excavating | \$32,000.00 |

He recommended the low bid as presented by C.C. Moore Co., Inc.

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The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Johnson, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

Public Works Director Miller stated that for the 2021 mowing season they had subbed out the mowing and weedeating of one cemetery as an experiment. It worked well and saved the City money. He noted that this year they bid out both cemeteries and compared the cost (assuming an average of mowing weekly for twenty-six weeks) with the expense of salary and benefits plus the cost of equipment and fuel. He also noted that employees would be moved to vacancies in the street department, so there wouldn't be anyone terminated or laid off. Mr. Miller presented the following bid received for the Versailles Cemetery:

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| D&M Mowing | \$790.00/mow |
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MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY SMITHER TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE BID AS PRESENTED BY D&M MOWING FOR THE MOWING AND WEEDEATING OF VERSAILLES CEMETERY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$790.00 PER MOW DURING THE 2022 MOWING SEASON.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Johnson, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

Mr. Miller presented the following bids received for mowing and weedeating of Rose Crest cemetery:

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| D&M Mowing | \$325.00/mow |
| Versailles Lawn Care | \$350.00/mow |

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY COLEMAN TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE BID AS PRESENTED BY D&M MOWING FOR THE MOWING AND WEEDEATING OF ROSE CREST CEMETERY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$325.00 PER MOW DURING THE 2022 MOWING SEASON.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Johnson, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

Mayor Miscellaneous

Mayor Traugott stated that the Individual Assistance Program, through Bluegrass Community Action, assisted twenty households over the past two weeks, totaling \$9,406.32 in assistance. Approximately two-thirds of that was for rent assistance with the remainder being utilities.

He noted that Council member Siegelman recently recorded a version of a song about the turmoil in Ukraine, and stated that has been shared on Facebook. Mayor Traugott said that on Sunday he had participated in a meeting via Zoom with Mayor Andriy Sadovyi of the City of Lviv in Ukraine. When asked what we can do for them, Mayor Sadovyi requested donations of ballistic vests. Mayor Traugott and J.D. Chaney of Kentucky League of Cities are working to collect out-of-date vests from cities in Kentucky to be donated to Mayor Sadovyi and others throughout Ukraine. Police Chief Murray stated that Versailles Police Department has several that will go out of date this summer and can be donated.

Mayor Traugott encouraged everyone to participate in Woodford County Burger Mania beginning Friday, March 18th through March 27th.

He noted there have been two grand openings this week downtown – Best Donut and Kristen's Kreations. Both businesses offer lots of goodies and he praised each of them.

Council Miscellaneous/ Committee Reports

Council member Siegelman stated that his thoughts and prayers were with the Powell and Crawford families.

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Council member Dake stated that a Water and Sewer Committee meeting was held today and they are recommending a sewer adjustment for 454 Bold Court in the amount of \$1,395.07.

MOTION BY DAKE, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO APPROVE A SEWER ADJUSTMENT FOR 454 BOLD COURT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,395.07.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Johnson, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

Council member Dake shared information regarding a project she is working with called Woodford Wheels. It is a Federal Transit Administration Demonstration Project that only nine cities across the United States have been selected to participate in. The project will provide transportation to adults who are not able to provide their own. The drivers will be volunteers. There is currently a bill being considered in Frankfort that would allow them to serve any adult over eighteen. The soft launch for Woodford Wheels is April 4, 2022.

Council member Johnson stated that the Building Standards and Downtown Development Committee were not able to meet at their last meeting because they didn't have a quorum. However, they will meet on April 4th and then they will report to, and have actionable items for, the council.

Department Directors

Public Works Director Bart Miller stated that Monday will be the Kickoff Meeting for the City Hall Window Project. The current windows are original to the building and are in need of replacement.

Mr. Miller also stated that due to supply issues, the start of the Water Meter Project has been pushed back to the second half of 2022.

Mayor Traugott announced an upcoming City event – the Keeneland Kickoff – which will be held Saturday, April 9th 4:00pm – 9:00pm on Court Street. The event is primarily being sponsored by The Amsden Bourbon Bar.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY DAKE TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO KRS 61.810(1)(B) TO DELIBERATE ON THE FUTURE ACQUISITION OR SALE OF REAL PROPERTY AND KRS 61.810(1)(C) TO DISCUSS PROPOSED OR PENDING LITIGATION AGAINST OR ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF VERSAILLES AND KRS 61.810(1)(G) DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN A PUBLIC AGENCY AND A REPRESENTATIVE OF A BUSINESS ENTITY AND DISCUSSIONS CONCERNING A SPECIFIC PROPOSAL, IF OPEN DISCUSSIONS WOULD JEOPARDIZE THE SITING, RETENTION, EXPANSION, OR UPGRADING OF THE BUSINESS.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Johnson, Siegelman and Smither voting aye.

Council member Smither stated that he would like to invite Ken Kerkhoff, Emily Downey, Magistrate William Downey, Sharon Hughes, Jason Halligan, Jake Schirmer, and Bryan Skinner to participate in a portion of the closed session.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY COLEMAN TO RETURN TO THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Johnson, Siegelman and Smither voting aye.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY COLEMAN TO AUTHORIZE MAYOR TRAUOGOTT, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF VERSAILLES, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE 119± ACRES (TRACT 1) OF EDGEWOOD FARM DEVELOPMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,500,000.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Johnson, Siegelman and Smither voting aye.

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MOTION BY SMITHER, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE A TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET OF UP TO \$3,680,815 (PHASE 1 AMOUNT) TO DRAFT A CONTRACT WITH THE WALKER COMPANY FOR THE DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PROJECT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Johnson, Siegelman and Smither voting aye.

Council member Siegelman left the meeting at 7:14pm.

MOTION BY DAKE, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO ENTER INTO A DUE DILIGENCE SERVICE CONTRACT, INCLUDING CORE DRILLINGS, WITH THOROUGHbred ENGINEERING REGARDING TRACT 1 OF EDGEWOOD FARM DEVELOPMENT, UP TO \$30,000.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Johnson, and Smither voting aye.

Mayor Traugott adjourned the meeting without objections.

APPROVED:

BRIAN TRAU GOTT, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK