

Paris City Commission
525 High Street Paris, KY 40361
Commission Chambers – Room 121
Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

The Paris City Commission met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. viewable on Facebook live at www.facebook.com/cityofparisky on January 9, 2024.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Plummer called the meeting to order, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor, John Plummer; Commissioner, Wallis Brooks; Commissioner, Sharon Fields; Commissioner, Mike Withrow.

Absent: Commissioner, Tim Gray

Others in Attendance: City Attorney, Bryan Beaman; CPA, Brad Oberlander; City Clerk & Treasurer, Stephanie Settles

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving December 12, 2023 regular meeting minutes.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Plummer, the motion unanimously carried approving payment of invoices for General Fund in the amount of \$529,538.84 and Utility Fund in the amount of \$343,814.41.

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Plummer, the motion unanimously carried approving Municipal Order 2024-1 approving the Mayor’s Appointment of Micah Carrel to the Bourbon County Joint Planning & Zoning Commission for a Term Ending December 31, 2027.

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Plummer, the motion unanimously carried approving the full-time hire of Brandon Green to the position of Firefighter/EMT, pay scale F6-8.

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Plummer, the motion unanimously carried approving the full-time hire of Nicholas Mitchell to the position of Field Operations Trainee, pay scale O2-1.

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Plummer, the motion unanimously carried approving Municipal Order 2024-4A Municipal Order Memorializing the City’s Designation Of Hazardous Duty Retirement Classification For Certain Position.

Motion by Brooks, seconded Plummer, the motion unanimously carried approving the renewal of the maintenance agreement with Hach and authorize the Mayor, City Manager, and City Clerk to execute all necessary documents. Further, to authorize the Mayor, City Manager, and City Clerk to approve future renewals provided that there are no substantial changes to terms and conditions, and if the renewal amount does not exceed the then current purchasing threshold set for City Commission approval.

REGULAR AGENDA

Motion: Move to approve Municipal Order 2024-2 to temporarily waive the meter fees under Ordinance Chapter 34 to the Housing Authority of Paris for a period of not to exceed 18 months and to temporarily maintain the current monthly service charge category for the Housing Authority of Paris accounts.

By: Withrow

Seconded: Plummer

Yes: Plummer, Brooks, Fields, Withrow

No: None

Abstain: None

Motion: Approve Municipal Order 2024-3 a municipal order approving the creation of the Lexington road sewer lift station repair project and providing for the expedited approval of items related to such project.

By: Withrow

Seconded: Fields

Yes: Plummer, Brooks, Fields, Withrow
No: None
Abstain: None

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Brooks, the motion unanimously carried approving the publishing of an RFP for a replacement Fire Engine.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Brooks, the motion unanimously carried approving the updated employment contracts for the Police Department for cadet new hires needing to complete the academy and lateral new hires with more than five years experience.

Motion by Plummer, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving the full-time hire of William Mulder to the position of Police Cadet, pay scale P4-1 and authorize the Mayor, City Manager, and City Clerk to execute any necessary contract.

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Withrow, the motion unanimously carried approving the full-time hire of Christopher Hall to the position of Police Officer, pay scale P6-8 and authorize the Mayor, City Manager, and City Clerk to execute any necessary contract.

Motion Plummer, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving the full-time hire of Christopher Harris to the position of Police Officer, pay scale P6-10 and authorize the Mayor, City Manager, and City Clerk to execute any necessary contract.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Brooks, the motion unanimously carried approving to reject all bids for financing previously received and approved on September 26, 2023.

Motion to approve Resolution 2024 - 01 and authorize the Mayor, City Manager, and City Clerk to execute all necessary documents to confirm the Financing of the Police Fleet Replacement with Traditional Bank.

By: Brooks
Seconded: Fields

Yes: Plummer, Brooks, Fields, Withrow
No: None
Abstain: None

REPORTS

Lauren Biddle, Chamber of Commerce
- Working on additional avenues to advertise and promote Paris/Bourbon County.
- Leadership Bourbon County applications will be open until April.

Mike Smith, Public Works
- Transfer Station bid packet is set to be completed and sent to Lynn Imaging next week.

Jamie Miller, City Manager
- State of the City and County meeting is Wednesday, January 10th 2024.
- Monday, January 15th City offices will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Sharon Fields, Commissioner
- Electric Charging Stations in Paris. Jamie Miller discussed that Paris currently does not have a charging station. Currently, the city hasn't received calls or increased requests for charging stations.
- Property owners not paying trash bills. Jamie Miller discussed that Rumpke needs to be notified to ensure trash is not missed. If that is confirmed, then Code Enforcement needs to be contacted.

Mike Withrow, Commissioner
- Martin Luther King Jr. celebration plans. Commissioner Fields stated Monday, January 15th at 4:00 p.m. First Christian Church will have a gathering with a meal to follow at the Catholic Church.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Brooks, the motion unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

Mayor, John A. Plummer

Attest:

City Clerk, Stephanie Settles

