

Paris City Commission
525 High Street Paris, KY 40361
Commission Chambers – Room 121
Meeting Minutes
April 23, 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 April 23, 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, Tim Gray; Commissioner, Sharon Fields; Commissioner, Mike Withrow.

Others in attendance: City Manager, Jamie Miller; City Attorney, Bryan Beauman; CPA, Brad Oberlander; City Clerk & Treasurer, Stephanie Settles.

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Plummer, seconded by , the motion unanimously carried approving April 9, 2024 regular meeting minutes.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

State Representative Matt Koch presented the 2024 Legislative update. Transfer station will receive 1.5M with the budget approval. The city commission will need to make a decision related to House bill 589 related to Cannabis.

ORDINANCES

Motion: Move to approve Ordinance 2024-8 for the creation of the "Utility Generalist" job position.

By: Withrow

Seconded: Brooks

Yes: Plummer, Brooks, Fields, Gray, Withrow

No: None

Abstain: None

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Fields, seconded by Gray, the motion unanimously carried approving the payment of invoices for General Fund in the amount of \$196,848.01 and Utility Fund in the amount of \$150,069.04.

Motion by Fields, seconded by Gray, the motion unanimously carried approving the surplus of miscellaneous items for sale, recycling, or scrap and authorize the Mayor, City Clerk, and City Manager to execute any necessary documents.

REGULAR AGENDA

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Brooks, the motion unanimously carried approving to reallocate funding for the Electric department back yard machine within the budget.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Plummer, the motion unanimously carried approving and authorize the Mayor, City Manager, and City Clerk to execute the reallocation request form for the Millersburg Road Sanitary Sewer Extension.

Motion: Move to approve Municipal Order 2024-22 regarding a partial sewer tap fee waiver and authorize the Mayor, City Manager, and City Clerk to execute all necessary documents.

By: Withrow

Seconded: Fields

Yes: Plummer, Brooks, Fields, Gray, Withrow

No: None

Abstain: None

Motion: Move to approve Municipal Order 2024-23 regarding the amendment to the member owned resource contract with KYMEA and authorize the Mayor, City Manager, and City Clerk to execute all necessary documents.

By: Withrow

Seconded: Brooks

Yes: Plummer, Brooks, Fields, Gray, Withrow

No: None
Abstain: None

Motion: Move to approve Municipal Order 2024-24 approving an Inclement Weather Administrative Guideline.
By: Plummer
Seconded: Withrow

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

Motion: Move to approve Municipal Order 2024-25 regarding direction on personnel orders and ratification of prior appointments.
By: Withrow
Seconded: Brooks

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

Jacob Barker advised the commission that the City Manager reviews due to human resources by May 20, 2024.

City Manager Jamie Miller presented the FY'25 budget message.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving financial reports as presented reflecting general fund revenues of \$8,317,535 with expenses of \$8,041,971 and utility fund revenues of \$15,067,255 with expenses of \$11,385,684.

Workshop for rate study will be May 7th, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

REPORTS

Betty Ann Allen, Tourism

- Expressed appreciation to City staff for assisting with Artwalk. 57 vendors participated, an estimated 1,000 in attendance.

Dalton Belcher, Planning and Zoning

- Cannabis regulations are under review by the Planning department. City and County will need to discuss their vision of approving or denying cannabis.
- Map amendment may be needed for a distillery looking to locate in Paris.

Lauren Biddle, Chamber of Commerce

- 1st meeting in June - Government Day for Leadership Group.
- Festival on Fifth will be July 12th, 2024.

Mayor, John Plummer

- Recognized Ryan Davis a former Paris Independent School baseball player is now a player for the Lexington Legends.

Commissioner, Fields

- Hopewell Museum - Jazz Event
- West Side community African American Heritage & Horse Day is May 4, 2024 on the 400 block of Williams Street from 12-6 p.m.

Commissioner, Tim Gray

- Expressed appreciation to all for a successful Artwalk.

City Manager, Jamie Miller

- Monday, April 29th at 1:00 p.m. will be the Ground breaking for Transfer station.
- Employee appreciation lunch is Tuesday May 30, 2024 at Legion Park.
- May 2, 2024 at 2pm is the bid opening for Water Plant.
- Discussed if the Commission had interest in developing an Entertainment District. Consensus was to move forward with exploring the creation of a Entertainment District.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Gray, the motion unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

Attest:

City Clerk, Stephanie Settles

Mayor, John A. Plummer