

Paris City Commission
525 High Street Paris, KY 40361
Commission Chambers – Room 121
Meeting Minutes
June 11, 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 June 11, 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, Tim Gray; Commissioner, Sharon Fields; Commissioner, Mike Withrow.

Absent: Wallis Brooks; Commissioner.

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

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried to approve May 28, 2024 meeting minutes as presented.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING FOR USE OF MUNICIPAL ROAD AID FUNDS

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Plummer, the motion unanimously carried to open the public comment for the use of Municipal Road Aid funds for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

With no written or verbal comments received, the hearing closed at 9:04 a.m.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields to motion unanimously carried to close public comment.

Motion by Fields, seconded by Withrow, to approve resolution 2024-9 adopting and approving the execution of a municipal road aid co-op program contract between the City of Paris and the commonwealth of Kentucky, transportation cabinet, department of rural and municipal aid for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, as provided in the Kentucky revised statutes and accepting all streets referred to therein as being streets which are a part of the City of Paris and authorize the Mayor, City Manager, and City Clerk to execute all necessary documents.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Ashley Roberts a representative with Hinkle Contracting provided an update on the street paving projects for Main and High Street stating that the subcontractor will begin milling at the end of June. Main Street will be milled at night, High Street will be milled during the daytime, Paving will be done the same, Main Street at night, High Street in daytime. Hinkle plans to notify the homeowners in the area when work will begin.

ORDINANCES

First Reading of ordinance 2024-10 Adoption of the FY'25 Annual Budget for Fiscal year July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, was read by Bryan Beuman, Jamie Miller, and Brad Oberlander.

First Reading of ordinance 2024-11 Amendment to the Compensation Scale was read by Jacob Barker, and Jamie Miller.

Ordinances regarding Utility Rates:

First reading of Ordinance 2024-12 related to Water rates was read by Jamie Miller and Bryan Beuman.

First Reading of Ordinance 2024-13 Sewer Rates was read by Jamie Miller and Bryan Beuman.

First Reading of Ordinance 2024-14 related to Electric Rates was read by Jamie Miller and Bryan Beuman.

First Reading of ordinance 2024-15 related to Meter Fees for E911 was read by Jamie Miller and Bryan Beuman.

First Reading of ordinance 2024-16 related to an amendment to the FY'24 annual budget was read by Bryan Beuman.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving the Mayor to sign a proclamation related to the celebration of Juneteenth.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving Municipal Order 2024-33 for the full-time hire of Colton Underwood to the position of Firefighter/Paramedic, pay scale F8-2.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving Municipal Order 2024-34 for the internal transfer of Corbin Dale to the position of Utility Generalist, pay scale E10-16.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving Municipal Order 2024-35 for the internal transfer of Joseph Adkinson to the position of Wastewater Treatment Plant Trainee, pay scale O2-4.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving Municipal Order 2024-36 for the new hire of James Greene to the position of Water Treatment Operator Class III, pay scale O6-14.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving the Property, Liability, and Workers Compensation Renewal with the Kentucky League of Cities and authorizes the Mayor, City Manager, and City Clerk to execute all required documents.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving the hourly billing rate to Sturgill, Turner, Barker, & Moloney, PLLC for professional legal fees from \$190/hr. to \$200/hr. effective 7/1/2024.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving the replacement of two 12" isolation valves and one 12" actuator valve at 10th Street Water Storage tank to be completed by Buchanan Contracting, Inc. and authorize the Mayor, City Manager, and City Clerk to execute any necessary documents or contracts.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving payment of invoices for General Fund in the amount of \$201,401.23 and Utility Fund in the amount of \$122,548.99.

REGULAR AGENDA

Motion: Move to authorize the Mayor to execute the loan increase request to Kentucky Infrastructure Authority (KIA) for project WX21017022 for improvements to the Water Treatment Plant and Distribution System.
By: Withrow
Seconded: Fields

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

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried approving to award bid to Judy Construction for contract 1 in the amount of \$3,362,000 for the Water Treatment Plant Improvements and providing for the approval of items related to such award, and authorize the Mayor, City Manager and City Attorney to finalize the contract and authorize the Mayor, City Manager, and City Clerk to execute documents necessary.

Motion by Fields, seconded by Withrow, the motion unanimously carried approving to award bid to Adkins Excavating for contract 2 in the amount of \$820,393.00 for the Water Distribution Improvements and providing for the approval of items related to such award, and authorize the Mayor, City Manager, and City Attorney to finalize the contract and authorize the Mayor, City Manager, and City Clerk to execute documents necessary.

Motion: Authorizing the Mayor to sign a letter in relation to a right-of-way road adequacy and infrastructure improvements for property at 281 Houston Avenue for the Kentucky Department of Education to enable Paris Independent Schools to purchase of the property.

By: Withrow
Seconded: Fields

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

The Commission authorized the City Manager to work with the Housing Authority up to a 90-day period to resolve billing challenges.

REPORTS

Betty Ann Allen, Tourism

- Working on a Paris-Bourbon County magazine publication.
- June 19th is Juneteenth 7th Street Christian Church will be hosting an event sponsored by the Paris Westside neighborhood association.
- The Mayor of Cynthiana will be at the City Barn June 19th, to speak about the Splash Pad Cynthiana received grant funding for.

Lauren Biddle, Chamber of Commerce

- First Friday's on Main will be July 12th with a beach party theme.

- July 19th is the next scheduled Festival on 5th event.
- Best of Bourbon County nominations will be opened soon by the Chamber of Commerce.

Dalton, Planning and Zoning

- For Paris and Bourbon County, combined a total of 45 Building Permits, 32 Electrical Permits; 23 sewer taps; and 18 building inspections were issued.

Mike Smith, Public Works

- The transfer station has started and the project is on schedule.

Jamie Miller, City Manager

- The Board of Architecture Review has a vancancy.
- City offices closed on June 19th for Juneteenth.
- Purchase order levels may increase in the near future.
- July 1st meeting in July was canceled.

Tim Gray, Commissioner

- Inquired if a Splash pad would be an option for Paris. Jamie stated that Parks and Recreation board would need to look at a location and if current park land would be an option. It would not be possible for FY25 budget. However, the City can begin by looking for a location.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Gray, the motion unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:38 a.m.

Attest:

Mayor, John A. Plummer

City Clerk, Stephanie Settles