

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CITY COUNCIL  
CATLETTSBURG, KENTUCKY**

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Minutes of the Board of City Council, Catlettsburg, August 20, 2019 6:30 p.m. at the Catlettsburg City Building.

Leo Zornes opened with Prayer and Pledge to the flag.

Faith Day Pike, Mayor call the meeting to order.

**Members Present:** Cornette, Hensley, Marcum, Taylor, Wellman, Zornes

**Requests for Comments about the Minutes**

Upon motion by Hensley, seconded by Cornette, council voted to approve the minutes. All present voting yes.

**Requests for Comments about the Reports and Payrolls**

Upon motion by Wellman, seconded by Taylor, council voted to approve the reports and payrolls. All present voting yes.

**Ken Borders, AEP Customer Service Engineer**

Mr. Borders met at an earlier date with the Mayor and Brent Stanley, Floodwall Supervisor, concerning the usage of the floodwall pump located at Center Street. He explained the usage had gone up in the past couple of years to 500 kW. Once it reaches a certain point it requires a new contract. He presented the contract to Mayor to be signed.

**Suzanne Griffith, Land Banks**

Ms. Griffith explained a land bank is a public authority created to efficiently hold, manage and develop tax-foreclosed property. She presented each of council with a folder containing information about Land Banks.

**Keith Jarrell – Friends of Catlettsburg Cemetery**

Mr. Jarrell was requesting help from the city to maintain the cemetery. He had spoken with Phoebe McCoy, the President of the Board and could not get any answers about the problems concerning the cemetery. He read several statutes about cemeteries in which several had been repealed. Sonny Martin, City Attorney said he would be glad to see what information he had and to discuss the matter with him at some point.

### **Audience Participation**

Joyce Blanton, Park Street ask about the playground. She was told we have not heard about the grant yet but a picnic table and a slide will be installed.

She was complaining about the weeds and tall grass from three properties on Park Street and her neighbor was blowing grass clippings in the road. Police Chief, Cameron Logan said the Ordinances are being enforced. He has two police officers citing people on the problems, but they need to be told about them at the time in order to have it checked out.

### **Executive Session – Future Acquisition of Real Property**

Upon motion by Zornes, seconded by Wellman, council voted to go into executive session at 7:08 p.m. All present voting yes.

Upon motion by Wellman, seconded by Marcum, council voted to return to regular session at 7:20 p.m. All present voting yes.

No action taken in executive session.

### **Employee Reports**

Pat Meade, Street Supervisor contacted OHD S. WV Fence Division about a 300' 6' high temporary chain length fence panels with stands to put around the old Jobe building on Center Street. The cost to rent for one year would be \$1350.00 plus tax. Upon motion by Cornette, seconded by Marcum, council voted to proceed with the fence. Pat was to contact them next day. All present voting yes.

### **Round Table**

Councilman Marcum said some of the council members have been harassing city workers. Mayor Pike intervened and said if any of the council have a problem with a city worker to come to her she is the Mayor and she will address the problem with that employee or department.

Councilman Hensley ask Greg Payne if the fire hydrant on 11<sup>th</sup> Street was out of order. He responded and said the City of Ashland is not replacing hydrants with 4" lines anymore. They are aware of the problems. Sonny Martin, Attorney said he would look at the contract.

Councilman Cornette wanted an update on Springhaven, Pat said per the engineer they may have to put a new line in, after Labor Day they are going to run a camera through the line and let engineer know what they find.

Also Cornette said after all the heavy equipment get finished in the alley way of 26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> the city should consider blacktopping it.

Councilman Taylor said she had been approached by a resident on Valley Street concerning the storm drains, grass and weeds are growing up in the drain and water is standing, Pat Meade said the water needs to stay in to keep the smell down. Councilman Zornes said he contacted CSX three times and city clerk had emailed them concerning the water problem on Broadway with no response to date. He also said the floodwall is looking better since the purchase of the new mower.

Mayor Pike announced that there will be a Mayor's Reception, September 1 at noon at the Seniors Citizens Building.

**Recessed**

Upon motion by Zornes, seconded by Hensley, council voted to recess at 7:40 p.m. until Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. to tour the Old Post Office. All present voting yes.

**Meeting Continued – August 24, 2019, 4:00 p.m. at the Old Post Office**

Mayor Pike called the meeting order.

**Members Present:** Cornette, Hensley, Marcum, Taylor, Wellman, Zornes

Members of Council, Mayor, City Clerk and Treasurer met to tour and consider the purchase of the Old Post Office for a city building. No action was taken.

**Adjourn**

Upon motion by Cornette, seconded by Zornes, council voted to adjourn at 4:55 p.m. All present voting yes.

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**MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

**Kay Cole**  
**City Clerk**