

CITY COUNCIL MEETING-APRIL 19, 2021-7:00 P.M.-CITY BUILDING. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER. PRESENT: MAYOR CRAIN AND COUNCILMEMBERS: TANNER, SMITH, SARE, HEGG, SALTS AND CITY ATTY POWELL. THE MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 5TH MEETING WERE APPROVED.

MAYOR CRAIN PRESENTED ORDINANCE 2021-2, WHICH AMENDS ORDINANCE 2020-13 CLARIFYING THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION AND OWNERSHIP OF THE ALLEY BETWEEN 1002 4TH STREET AND 1016 4TH STREET. THEY VACATED THE ALLEY ON AUGUST 17TH OF 2020. TANNER MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 2021-2 AND SARE SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0. MAYOR CRAIN ALSO PRESENTED ORDINANE 2021-3, WHICH ESTABLISHES THE SPECIAL NON-REVERTNG AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN GRANTFUND, TO BE USED ON WASTEWATER INFASTRUCTURE. THE CITY WILL RECEIVE \$520,00.00. THIS WILL BE USED TO PAY ON OUR WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT. HEGG MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 2021-3 AND SALTS SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0. MAYOR CRAIN REPORTED THAT HE GOT A CALL FROM ALSION KARRFALT, COVINGTON HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL ABOUT THE PROJECT WHERE THEY WANTED TO CLOSE 5TH STREET BETWEEN THE HIGH SCHOOL AND THE MIDDLE SCHOOL GYM. THEY HAVE DECIDED NOT TO PURSUE THIS PROJECT AT THIS TIME. THE POOL BATHHOUSE IS COMING ALONG NICELY. THEY ARE READY TO DO THE INSIDE WORK. THE BASKETBALL COURTS HAVE BEEN TORN OUT AND THE SAND VOLLEYBALL COURT IS READY TO BE DUG OUT. THE BASKETBALL COURTS ARE ALMOST READY FOR THE CONCRETE. MAYOR CRAIN SAID THERE IS AN PROBLEM WITH THE STREET THAT RUNS BESIDE THE EAST SIDE OF THE NEW PLAYGROUND AND THE PARK MAINTENANCE BUILDING. PEOPLE ARE PARKING IN THAT AREA AND IT IS UNSAFE FOR THE CHILDREN ON THE PLAYGROUND. THE COUNCIL THINKS A FENCE NEEDS TO BE PUT UP IN THAT AREA FOR SAFETY. THERE COULD BE MORE PARKING SPACES MADE BY THE TENNIS COURTS. THE COUNCIL DECIDED THEY WILL NOT TEAR OUT THE ASPHALT STREET BY THE PLAYGROUND, IT NEEDS TO BE THERE FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLE USE.

ASST. FIRE CHIEF BART CROWDER WAS PRESENT AND GAVE A NEW FIREMAN ROSTER AND FIRST QUARTER ACTIVITY REPORT TO THE COUNCIL. CROWDER SAID THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IS DONE WITH THEIR INVESTIGATION OF THE HOUSE FIRE AT 614 JEFFERSON STREET. THE DEMOLITION HAS NOT BEEN DONE BECAUSE THEY ARE PROBABLY WAITING ON THE HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE COMPANY.

POLICE OFFICER TROY ALEXANDER REPORTED THAT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS HAD 689 CALLS SO FAR IN 2021 AND THEY HAVE 25 CASES.

MAYOR CRAIN REPORTED THAT THE NEW STREET VEHICLE IS IN AT ALSOP IN ATTICA AND HAS BEEN SENT TO HAVE A TRUCK BED INSTALLED.

LINDA HARTLEY WAS PRESENT AND ASKED ABOUT THE STAGE IN THE PARK THAT WAS TORN DOWN. MAYOR CRAIN TOLD HER HE IS GOING TO APPLY FOR A DNR GRANT TO REPLACE THE STAGE. THEY WILL USE A TEMPORARY STAGE THIS YEAR.

COUNCILMAN SALTS HAS HAD THREE PEOPLE CONTACT HIM ABOUT THE POTHOLES ON 13TH STREET. THE COUNCIL DISCUSSED HOW TO SOLVE THESE PROBLEMS. THEY TALKED ABOUT WIDENING THE ROAD AND PAVING. THEY MAYBE COULD GET THIS ON THE COMMUNITY CROSSING GRANT PROGRAM. THE MAYOR WILL CHECK WITH MILESTONE. SALTS ALSO HAS A NEIGHBOR AT 914 ORCHARD DRIVE THAT HAS AN OLD UNPLATED TRUCK IN HIS BACKYARD. THE POLICE WILL CONTACT HIM TO REMOVE THE VEHICLE.

COUNCILMAN TANNER REPORTED THAT THERE IS A VEHICLE AT 515 FIRST STREET THAT NEEDS TO BE REMOVED AND ALSO THE HOUSE THERE IS IN BAD SHAPE. THE OWNER HAS BEEN

CONTACTED ABOUT CONDEMNING THE HOUSE. ATTORNEY POWELL WILL CHECK THE STATUS ON THIS HOUSE. THERE ARE ALSO 2 VEHICLES AT 1322 4TH STREET THAT HAVE NO CURRENT PLATES ON THEM. THE POLICE WILL CHECK ON THESE VEHICLES ALSO. TANNER ASKED ABOUT THE STATUS OF RODNEY GROVIER'S HOUSE A 509 FANCY STREET. IT NEEDS TO BE TORN DOWN. ATTORNEY POWELL WILL CHECK ON THE JUDGEMENT ON THIS HOUSE. NEIL SMITH'S HOUSE ON SECOND STREET NEEDS SOMETHING DONE. NEIGHBORS ARE COMPLAINING ABOUT ALL THE JUNK AROUND THE HOUSE.

MEETING ADJOURNED.



MAYOR



CLERK-TREASURER

BOARD OF WORKS

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER. PRESENT: MAYOR CRAIN AND COUCLMEMBERS SMITH AND TANNER. TANNER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE ALL CLAIMS AND SMTIH SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED 3-0. THE BOARD HAD A WASTEWATER ADJUSTMENT REQUEST FROM JEFF SCHMIT AT 717 8TH STREET. THE WATER LINE BROKE BETWEEN HIS HOUSE AND THE WATER METER. TANNER MADE A MOTION TO ALLOW THE WW ADJUSTMENT AND SMITH SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED 3-0. MAYOR CRAIN SAID THAT GENE FYE HAS COMPLETED TRAINING AS A CLASS 3 APPRENTICE LINEMAN. HE SHOULD MAKE \$28.00 PER HOUR STARTNG WITH PAYROLL ON 4-12-21. CRAIN MADE A MOTION AND TANNER SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

MEETING ADJOURNED.



MAYOR



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