February 25, 2013

The Common Council of the City of Glasgow, KY met in regular session on Monday the 25th day of February, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers with the following persons present:

HONORABLE MAYOR: Rhonda Trautman

COUNCIL MEMBERS: Harold Armstrong
Dick Doty
Brad Groce
Stacy Hammer
Wendell Honeycutt
Jim Marion
James Neal
Freddie Norris
Karalee Oldenkamp
Sheila Oliver
Joe Trigg
Marlin Witcher

There being a quorum present, the Mayor declared the meeting open for business.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Norris opened the meeting with a prayer.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL
MEETING ON 2-11-13

MOTION was made by Council Member Hammer for the approval and adoption of the 2-11-13 Council Meeting minutes
SECOND was by Council Member Neal
VOTE unanimous approval of the Council

David Honeycutt, Building Inspector, presented the annual report for the Building Inspector / Code Enforcement Department. In a summary for the department, David said the number of building and electrical permits issued for 2012 were down from the previous year, however sign and demolition permits were up by seven. The total collected fees were up $36,139. There were 185 citizen’s response calls that the department took care of last year. Eight houses condemned and 56 liens were placed on property with 3 being released. The residential aspect is down nearly a million dollars which was the biggest decrease we had. Commercial buildings were down, however the commercial electrical was up due to the hospital and Glasgow High School being constructed. There were 9 fireworks applications. We were down 90% in single family dwellings but were up 300-400% in multi-family dwelling construction. Mayor Trautman commended David’s office and the quick action they take on the citizens response calls.

Jennifer Moonsong, Marketing Director for the Plaza Theatre and Bill Green, Administrative Assistant were on hand to present a report on the Plaza. Jennifer said, their goals for 2012 were, more rentals, more shows and more diversification with the shows. In 2012 there were 42 total events, up from 33 the previous year and 18 of those events were plaza productions. There were 13,647 tickets sold, up 51% over 2011 in ticket sales and 8,802 rental event tickets were sold which was up 18%. In early 2013 there have already been 25 total events scheduled and a fundraiser scheduled in May. Mayor Trautman thanked Bill and Jennifer for all they have done.

Mayor Trautman entertained a motion to go into closed session pursuant to KRS 61.810 (a) and (d) for future acquisition or sale of real property and discussion of a personnel matter.

MOTION was made by Council Member Marion to go into closed session
SECOND was by Council Member Groce
VOTE unanimous approval of the Council
COUNCIL RETURNED TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION was made by Council Member Armstrong to return to open session
SECOND was by Council Member Oldenkamp
VOTE unanimous approval of the Council present

ORDINANCE NO. 2816
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GLASGOW, KENTUCKY AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH OPTION FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 100 SOUTH BROADWAY STREET, GLASGOW, KENTUCKY

A proposed ordinance was presented for the second time and caused to be read for the second time.

MOTION was made by Council Member Norris for the first reading approval of the ordinance
SECOND was by Council Member Witcher
VOTE Yes – 11 No – 0 AB – 1
Armstrong – ab Neal – yes
Doty – yes Norris - yes
Groce – yes Oldenkamp – yes
Hammer – yes Oliver – yes
Honeycutt – yes Trigg – yes
Marion – yes Witcher – yes

Council Member Armstrong abstained from the vote.

ORDINANCE NO. _____
AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, THE GLASGOW ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION ENDEAVOR (G.A.T.E.) PLAN BY ADDING THE ELEMENT, AS RECOMMENDED BY JOINT CITY-COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION OF BARREN COUNTY, KENTUCKY – SPONSORED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DICK DOTY OF THE GLASGOW GREENWAY STEERING COMMITTEE

A proposed ordinance was presented for the first time and caused to be read for the first time.

MOTION was made by Council Member Neal for the first reading approval of the ordinance
SECOND was by Council Member Oliver
VOTE unanimous approval of the Council

Prior to the vote Kevin Myatt, Planning Director gave a presentation on the Glasgow Alternative Transportation Endeavor (G.A.T.E.) Plan. He explained an element of the Comprehensive Plan is a blueprint of how we want the City to grow in the future and is a guide for development.

ORDINANCE NO. _____
ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2758, AN ORDINANCE PERMITTING REBATE OR RETENTION BY AKEBONO BRAKE CORPORATION, L.L.C. OF ONE PERCENT (1%) OF THE ONE AND ONE-HALF PERCENT (1½%) OCCUPATIONAL
LICENSE FEE ON CERTAIN WAGES PAID TO EMPLOYEES IN THE CITY OF GLASGOW, KENTUCKY ON THE CONDITION THAT AKEBONO BRAKE CORPORATION MEETS THE CRITERIA OF ITS APPLICATION FOR INCENTIVES UNDER THE KENTUCKY BUSINESS INVESTMENTS ACT BY CHANGING THE COMPANY NAME TO THE LEGAL NAME AKEBONO BRAKE CORPORATION

A proposed ordinance was presented for the first time and caused to be read for the first time.

MOTION was made by Council Member Marion for the first reading approval of the ordinance
SECOND was by Council Member Armstrong
VOTE unanimous approval of the Council

Mayor Trautman explained the State requested the name be changed on the ordinance to reflect the legal name of Akebono Brake Corporation, dropping the LLC, so it would be in compliance with their paperwork.

SUSPENSION OF THE RULES FOR ONE (1) ITEM

MOTION was made by Council Member Groce for the suspension of the rules for one (1) item
SECOND was by Council Member Neal
VOTE unanimous approval of the Council

RESOLUTION NO. 2212

RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN MISCELLANEOUS BUILDING INSPECTOR AND PLANNING / ZONING PROPERTY AS “SURPLUS” PURSUANT TO KRS 82.083 AUTHORIZING DISPOSITION PURSUANT TO KRS 45A.365 AND PUBLICATIONS OF ADVERTISEMENTS PURSUANT TO KRS 424.130

A proposed resolution was presented and caused to be read.

MOTION was made by Council Member Armstrong for the approval and adoption of the resolution
SECOND was by Council Member Norris
VOTE unanimous approval of the Council

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

● GLASGOW FIRE DEPARTMENT WILL BE HOSTING A RETIREMENT RECEPTION FOR ASSISTANT CHIEF TRACY SHIRLEY ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH AT 3:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS. THERE WILL ALSO BE AN ANNOUNCEMENT OF PROMOTIONS, INTRODUCTION OF THREE NEW FIRE FIGHTERS AND PINS WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE FIRE FIGHTERS WITH 20 YEARS OF SERVICE. EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ATTEND.

● THERE WILL BE AN AUCTION FOR SURPLUS ITEMS FROM DEPARTMENTS IN THE CITY ON MARCH 9TH AT 10:00 A.M. AT THE GLASGOW RECREATION DEPARTMENT ON SOUTH LIBERTY STREET
COUNCIL MEMBER HONEYCUTT SAID T.J. SAMSON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL IS A NON-PROFIT ENTITY NOT OWNED BY THE CITY. T.J. SAMSON DOES A LOT OF GOOD WORKS IN OUR COMMUNITY WHICH IS WHY A NON-PROFIT IS STARTED IN THE FIRST PLACE. T.J. SAMSON HEALTH PARTNERS IS A FOR PROFIT ENTERPRISE ALSO MADE UP OF A LOT OF GOOD PEOPLE WHO INDIVIDUALLY DO GOOD WORKS, BUT IN THE END T.J. HEALTH PARTNER’S GOAL IS TO MAKE A PROFIT. THE BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT USED BY T. J. HEALTH PARTNERS ARE IN THE NAME OF T.J. SAMSON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL WHICH ARE BOTH TAKING THE POSITION THAT THE BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT THEREFORE ARE NOT SUBJECT TO PROPERTY TAXES. THIS IS NOT FAIR TO ANY INDEPENDENT MEDICAL OFFICE THAT WANTS TO COMPete WITH T.J. HEALTH PARTNERS BECAUSE THEIR COSTS WOULD BE HIGHER FROM PAYING PROPERTY TAXES. HONEYCUTT FURTHER STATED THIS IS NOT FAIR TO CITIZENS OF GLASGOW AND BARREN COUNTY BECAUSE OF THE METHODOLOGY USED TO COMPUTE PROPERTY TAX RATES. EVERYONE WHO PAYS GLASGOW AND/OR BARREN COUNTY PROPERTY TAXES PAY MORE TAXES DUE TO THE PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT USED BY T.J. HEALTH PARTNERS BEING EXCLUDED FROM THE TAX ROLLS. HONEYCUTT WENT ON TO SAY IT IS HIS OPINION ALL ASSETS USED IN A PROFIT MAKING ENTERPRISE ARE SUBJECT TO PROPERTY TAXES. AS A MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL, HONEYCUTT SAID HE WAS OFFICIALLY REQUESTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO SEEK AN OPINION FROM THE STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL AS TO THE TAXABILITY OF THE ASSETS IN QUESTION.

COUNCIL MEMBER MARION ANNOUNCED THE FINANCE COMMITTEE WILL MEET ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH AT 10:00 A.M.

COUNCIL MEMBER NORRIS ANNOUNCED A COMMUNITY WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE FRIDAY, MARCH 1ST AT 11:00 A.M TO 12:00 NOON AT THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ATTEND.

There being no further business to come before Council, Council Member Armstrong made motion for adjournment, Council Member Groce seconded.