August 10, 2015

The Common Council of the City of Glasgow, KY met in regular session on Monday the 10th day, of August 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers with the following persons present:

HONORABLE MAYOR: Dick Doty
COUNCIL MEMBERS: Ben Bucher  
Jake Dickinson  
Brad Groce  
Stacy Hammer  
Wendell Honeycutt  
Chasity Lowery  
James Neal  
Freddie Norris  
Karalee Oldenkamp  
Gary Oliver  
Joe Trigg  
Marlin Witcher

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Lowery opened the meeting with a prayer.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL
MEETING ON 7-27-15

MOTION was made by Council Member Norris for the approval and adoption of the 7-27-15 Council Meeting minutes
SECOND was by Council Member Groce
VOTE unanimous approval of the Council

Bo Matthews, Superintendent of Barren County Schools addressed the Council pertaining to the Regional Technology Center. Mr. Matthews spoke on the current facility, the programs it offers, and how outdated many of the learning tools are. He stated the facility was built in 1974 and remodeled in 2004. He then presented the vision of the future for the facility which includes a new building and new, updated equipment for the existing facility. Matthews spoke about efforts to create work-ready programs for students and said he is taking a delegation of interested individuals on a bus trip later this month to see the Hardin County Area Technology Center, which is a model for many of the things he would like our school system to have available. Part of the discussion will be about what it took for Hardin County to be able to accomplish their mission for their facility. Matthews invited the City Council Members interested in the project to go with them on the trip.
Mayor Doty recommended to the Council Members that could to go on the trip. He stated he had been to the Hardin County facility and it was very impressive. The Mayor also encouraged Mr. Matthews to continue on with the project.

Eddie Furlong, Director of Parks and Recreation presented an update on the activities within the department and at the parks. Furlong’s department has thirteen full time employees which take care of five city parks, Liberty Street Gymnasium and the Lera B. Mitchell Clubhouse. The Recreation Department also assist with upkeep and maintenance on the Cultural Center, Plaza, Arts & Antiques, City Hall, Fort Williams, the Triangle on Leslie Avenue, the old cemetery on West Cherry Street, the Christmas tree and banners on the square and assist with the setup of the Highland Games. Furlong spoke of the city pool and how dated it is. Currently improvements are being made on the tennis courts at Gorin Park, a perimeter fence has been installed around Beaver Trail and the city’s walking trails are being blacktopped among other projects. He listed a host of programs the department has including volleyball, day camp, corn hole, swim lessons, soccer, bitty ball, basketball, senior exercise, turkey trot, Halloween Festival and Easter egg hunt. This year the city partnered with the county to co-host the state softball tournament with 50 teams. The Recreation department has also hosted eight other tournaments with four more scheduled at this time. Furlong praised his employees who have worked diligently on the fields to keep them dry enough to play on during all the rain.

Furlong ended by stating the Parks and Recreation Department has been able to cut their budget for the last five years. The Mayor commended Eddie for the job he has done.

ORDINANCE NO. _____

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING I-1 ZONING CLASSIFICATION FOR ANNEXED PROPERTY CONTAINING 37.665 ACRES AT THE INTERSECTION OF CPW AND BURKESVILLE ROAD/HIGHWAY 90

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. _____

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY’S CODE OF ORDINANCES, SECTION 150.70, RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE

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 Norris
VOTE unanimous approval of the Council

ORDINANCE NO. _____

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY’S CODE OF ORDINANCES, SECTION 151.70, RELATING TO THE CITY’S HOUSING AND UNSAFE BUILDING CODE

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 Honeycutt
VOTE unanimous approval of the Council

The amendment was recommended by the Code Enforcement Board.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- August 15th at 7:00 p.m. is the Plaza’s free movie night featuring Elvis Presley in Blue Hawaii. Concessions will be available at a cost.

- August 20th, there will be an event held on the square from 5 p.m. -9 p.m. entitled, The Third Thursday…. Shindig on the Square. This is a joint effort by several groups including the Third Thursday Merchants downtown, which stay open later than normal on the square on the third Thursday and Sustainable Glasgow which will be hosting a night Farmers Market. There will be food vendors and entertainment. The Plaza will be showing Looney Tunes cartoons with free admission. This will be a wonderful opportunity to bring your family and relax on the square. Everyone is invited to come and take part in the festivities.

There being no further business to come before Council, Council Member Norris made motion for adjournment at 7:56 p.m., Council Member Neal seconded. Motion carried.

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DICK DOTY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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TOMMIE S. BIRGE, CITY CLERK