

# REGULAR MEETING MINUTES City of Stamping Ground

Date: March 24, 2022

Place: Stamping Ground City Hall

Time: 6:00 p.m.

3374 Main Street

## COMMISSION

Mayor: Jennifer Jones

Police Commissioner: Jennifer Jones

Economic Development Comm.: Cody Meadows

Public Works' / Parks Comm.: Ken Koger

Streets' Commissioner: Megan Brown

Fire Commissioner and Pro Tem: Dale Perry

Commissioners Not Present: Jennifer Jones, Dale Perry

Minutes By: Michelle Randolph

## PERSONNEL PRESENT

Police Chief: John Giles

Fire Chief: Robert Hendricks

Attorney: Joe Hoffman and Zach Osborne

Asst. City Clerk: Michelle Randolph

## Discussion/Concerns (All Motions in **BOLD**)

- 1- Commissioner Koger called the meeting to order.
- 2- All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3- An invocation was provided by Commissioner Koger
- 4- Assistant City Clerk Michelle Randolph called the roll.
- 5- Public Concerns – Invited Guests
  - Planning & Zoning was present and discussed:
    - P & Z and the **Commission** would be present at the public meeting to answer any questions citizens might have.
    - Possibly the meeting would be held on a Monday from 6 – 8pm at the elementary school.
    - **The Commission** will aim to give P & Z a 30 day notice on meeting date.
  - SGE Robotics Club:
    - **The Commission** discussed possibly donating to the SGE Robotics Club.
    - The donation normally comes from Economic Development fund.
    - **Commissioner Meadows** stated that he only had \$345 left in his budget.
    - **The Commission** discussed and stated that the Economic Development budget would need to be reallocated.

Motion by **Commissioner Meadows 2<sup>nd</sup>** by **Commissioner Koger** to **donate \$500 to SGE Robotics Club from Economic Development funds. Vote 3 – 0 P**

## -6- Approval of Minutes

- Approval of February 28, 2026 minutes.

Motion by **Commissioner Meadows 2<sup>nd</sup>** by **Commissioner Brown** to **approve the February 28, 2026 minutes. Vote 3 – 0 P**

- Approval of March 12, 2026 Minutes.
- There were no disagreements to postpone approving the 3/12/26 minutes.

## **-7- Department Reports**

### **Police Department**

**Chief John Giles** reported:

- Stated that the Police Department has a leak that needs to be repaired.
  - It smells moldy in the office.
  - Insurance won't cover the repairs.
  - Discussed with the Commission and there were no disagreements that there is a great need to search for options to correct the leak and tree issue in the office.
  - Might have to create an RFP for repairs.
  - **Chief Giles** stated that he will call Steven Popp.
  - It was suggested he get a dehumidifier and air purifier. This would be a temporary fix to help dry out the air in the office.
  - **Commissioner Koger** stated that he would investigate the cost of having someone come check the office for mold.
- He hasn't been able to find a second police officer to hire.
  - Needs to be someone that is retired.
  - **Commissioner Meadows** asked about the possibility of a part-time and/or a nighttime officer. **Chief Giles** stated that he was not in favor of this due to the cost being so high.

### **Fire Department**

**Chief Hendricks** reported:

- They had 10 at training. That's more than they've had for a while. Four are brand new to being Firefighters.

Grant Money:

- The grant money for the apparatus as well as the Fire Act grant has not been awarded yet.
- There is no established timeline for when the grant funds will be received. The Homeland Security's budget has been arrested, causing the delay in receiving the grant money.
- **Chief Hendricks** expressed that there is no indication of them not getting the grant money, but that he would like to have a contingency plan in the event they don't get the grants.
- The grant pays for 11 air packs and 6 sets of turn-out gear. It could be about \$120,000 for all. The turn-out gear is \$21,460.
- The gear and air packs are still in the boxes and will be until they know they can pay the vendor for them.
- If they don't open the air packs they can return them to the vendor, if necessary.
- However, the turn-out gear is tailored to specific firefighters. Therefore, they are trying to ensure that they can get those paid for.
- **Chief Hendricks** stated that they budgeted to purchase 3 sets of turn-out gear but that they would be able to pay for all 6 sets with the current budget. They cannot cover the cost of the air packs.
- The vendor knows about the issue with the Fire Department not having received the grant money yet.
- **Commissioner Koger** suggested that Chief Hendricks call and ask the vendor if they would allow them to pay for 3 of the 6 sets of turn-out gear.
- Grant can only be used to purchase the packs and gear. **The Attorney's** agreed to review grant agreement and invoice to see if we can purchase the packs and gear and then use the grant money to reimburse the Fire Department budget.

- He also considered that they still need at least 4 radios.
- They have 15 radios currently. They are 6 to 8 years old.
- They do not have the exact cost of the radios yet. From their investigation they will be around \$5,000.
- **Chief Hendricks** expressed great appreciation to the public and everyone for their support in getting a new apparatus.
- The Fire Commission could possibly be willing to help with cost of apparatus if the grant money is promised to us.
- Many apparatuses cost about \$500,000 or more. They are looking for one as close to \$400,000 as possible.
- It was suggested they call Congress' office for more information.

### **Attorney Briefing**

**Attorney Hoffman and Attorney Osborne reported:**

#### **ABC Ordinance-First Reading**

- **Attorney Osborne** discussed the last couple of changes he made to the ABC ordinance.
- He discussed the questions **Commissioner Perry** had about the ordinance.
- After the first reading the ordinance cannot be changed. **Attorney Osborne** suggested to wait until the next meeting for the first reading.
- There were no disagreements to wait to do the first reading until the April 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### **ABC Training**

- There is a State ABC Leadership training on June 4<sup>th</sup>. The 3-day training is \$375 and is in Lexington.
- They discussed whether Chief Giles, Attorney Osborne and ABC Admin Kevin Kidwell should go.
- The ABC portion is only one day and is \$175 per person. Use ABC funds for the ABC training only.
- **Commissioner Koger** stated he would like to attend the City Official training. Use General Funds.

**Motion by Commissioner Meadows, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Brown to approve ABC Admin Kevin Kidwell, Attorney Osborne and/or Chief Giles to attend ABC Leadership training summit and to use ABC funds to pay for training up to \$175 each on June 4th. Vote 3 – 0 P**

**Motion by Commissioner Brown, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Koger to approve any Commissioner and/or Attorney Osborne to go to the June 3<sup>rd</sup> City Official training and to use General funds to pay for training up to \$175 each. Vote 3 – 0 P**

#### **Commission Pay Ordinance-Second Reading**

- **Attorney Osborne** read the second reading of the Commission Pay Ordinance Summary.

**Motion by Commissioner Meadows, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Koger to approve the Commission Pay Ordinance as read. Vote 3 – 0 P**

#### **Penalty for Parking, Towing and Snow Emergency**

- **Attorney Osborne, Commissioner Meadows and Chief Giles** will possibly plan to review layout of parking spaces on Saturday, March 28, 2026 at 10am
- Discussed fire hydrant in front of the gas station as the curb is not yellow. It needs to be repainted correctly.
- **Chief Giles** stated that Jailer Broyles had expressed that he is not comfortable with painting lines on the parking lot as there were not preexisting lines there.

## **Event Discussion-Cornhole Tournament**

- **Attorney Osborne** had created waiver for the public to sign to be able to play cornhole at events.
- The city should be the ones to hand these out, no one else.
- Discussed what the city's insurance covers. KLC covers City events. Cornhole needs a waiver due to having someone come in to run the tournament.
- Discussed waiving business licenses fees for all vendors setting up at City events.

**Motion by Commissioner Koger 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Brown to waive all business licenses fees for all vendors that set up at any 2026 city events. Vote 3 – 0 P**

## **Public Works**

**Commissioner Koger** reported:

- Potholes on Springview have been temporarily patched. Lowe's donated the materials complete the project. It is still rough but is much better and will be fixed when Commonwealth Drive is fixed this spring.
- **Commissioner Koger** stated that he had cleaned the storm drain by the gas station.
- Also stated that there is a dog waste disposal can near the pavilion and it needs to be replaced.
- He would like to replace it. It will cost about \$197.99.

## **Streets**

**Commissioner Brown** reported:

- Steven Popp plans to come out soon to clean any and all storm drains as needed.
- The street sweeper will sweep Main Street on March 30th. The Clerks will print flyers to be passed out to all citizens that live on Main Street, notifying them to not park on the street Sunday evening March 29<sup>th</sup>.
- **Chief Giles** will assist in helping get cars off Main Street.
- **Commissioner Brown** hopes to get street signs and flag poles up soon.

## **Economic Development**

**Commissioner Meadows** reported:

- The Red Cottage is full and has 3 new businesses.
- The Grocery and Restaurant are doing very well.
- The owners of the grocery store and restaurant, Jay and Roberto, would like to speak on how ABC sells has affected them.
- **Commissioner Meadows** stated that he has had questions about a couple of the products the new Grocery store sells and announced that they are legal.
- Currently we only have two vacant business buildings. Where the pet salon was and the building where the lawyer is located, by City Hall.
- Yuppie Puppy has moved to the old bank by the gas station. This move has been good for them.
- The Leadership Scott County toured Stamping Ground and **Commissioner Meadows** participated in the tour. During this time, he met and spoke with a gentleman and they discussed the possibility of putting an ATM in town.

## Finance & Administration

### **Ethics Member Terms**

- Michelle Randolph stated that there are 2 Ethics Board members that were appointed with a 3-year term and one with a 2-year term. Their terms are supposed to be staggered. **Attorney Osborne** stated that he would investigate this to find the available options.

### **February 2026 Finances**

- There were no disagreements to table approving the February 2026 finances until the next meeting.

### **Printer - Follow Up**

- Will follow up at next meeting.

### **GUTS – Follow Up**

- **Commissioner Koger** stated that he would like to see a quote before we sign the GUTS agreement.
- Michelle Randolph will follow up on this.

### **IT Support – Follow Up**

- Will follow up at next meeting.

## -8- Unfinished/Old Business

### **Bonding**

- Will follow up at next meeting.

### **7 Year Audit**

- **Commissioner Meadows** stated that he will follow up on a lead of someone that might be interested in doing a forensic audit.

### **Planning & Zoning Proposal – Follow Up**

- This was discussed at the beginning of the meeting.

### **May 2 – Derby Event, May 16 – BBQ**

#### **May 2<sup>nd</sup> Derby**

- **Commissioner Koger** stated that we can't show the Derby.
- The event will be from 2pm – 5pm
- There will be a Stick Horse Race (with pool noodles).
- **Commissioner Koger** stated that he will cook hotdogs.
- Will have a Pie Contest (can use any kind of pie)
- Will investigate the possibility of having Horseshoes as one of the games.
- **The Commission** discussed and found that there is no need to have a waiver for any of the games at this event as our city insurance covers it.
- The event will always be on Saturday. This will make it easier to hold the event every year so people will know when it is.

- There is \$150 left from the People's Bank donation. Could possibly need another \$150 for advertising and will probably come from his Public Works budget.
- **Commissioner Koger** invited the Fire Department to be there. Would love to see them at the event with the community.
- **Commissioner Meadows** mentioned that with the 4<sup>th</sup> of July coming up he would like to see the old fire truck in the parade if possible. He inquired to **Chief Hendricks** if he would investigate to see what it would cost to do this.

### May 16 BBQ

- The event will be from 12pm to 7pm.
- The Cruise In will be 12pm to 4pm. There will be a few prizes.
- The BBQ will be from 1pm to 3pm.
- Cornhole will be at 3pm and could last between 1 to 3 hours. Most likely about an hour and a half.
- Country Boys will be there.
- It will be a Community BBQ, so anyone can be a part of it. Will be pulled pork and pulled chicken.
- **Commissioner Brown** invited the Fire Department to this event as well.
- **Commissioner Koger** stated that he has a possible lead for who might be able to do the music for July 4<sup>th</sup>.
- **Commissioner Koger** stated that he will call Martins to ensure we have enough porta potties on Buffalo Square before the next event.

### -9- New Business

#### Mailbox / Parking Ordinance Needed

- **Commissioner Meadows** and **Chief Giles** road around town together on Friday looking at parking spots on Main Street only.
- They both had reached out to the Postmaster and both got told the Postmaster won't hand deliver mail (walking door to door) as it is a rural route.
- **Attorney Osborne** stated that he had researched and found if the population is under 25,000, the postman does not have to hand deliver.
- **Commissioner Meadows** stated that if we only put mailboxes on the corners, many people will have to walk possibly a block or so to get their mail.
- The other option they found was to possibly have joining or cluster mailboxes at the edge of property lines to try to open up more parking spaces.
- Discussed the possibility of new neighborhoods being required to have cluster boxes in the future.
- **Attorney Hoffman** reminded the Commission that they need to proceed with caution as it is a state road.
- **Both Attorney Hoffman and Osborne** agreed that they would investigate the rules/laws for mailboxes, state roads and city sidewalks. .
- **Commissioner Meadows** and **Chief Giles** looked into the cost for new post and the holders for mailboxes and would like to explore the option of helping citizens purchase, if the Commission decides this is the best option for mailboxes.

### -10- Announcements

- Kristy Koger stated that there is a Code Enforcement Seminar on April 30<sup>th</sup> that is \$100.

**Motion by Commissioner Meadows 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Brown to approve Kristy Koger to go to the Code Enforcement Seminar for a cost of \$100. Vote 2 – 0 P**

**Koger recused himself from vote.**

**-10- Adjourn**

**Motion by Commissioner Koger 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Brown to adjourn. Vote 3 – 0 P**

Meeting adjourned at **8:25 pm**

**Meeting Minutes will be approved at the April 9, 2026 Meeting.**

  
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Mayor

  
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City Clerk