# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING of the City of Northfield Council April 27, 2020

In keeping with the Coronavirus safety procedures, the regular meeting of the City of Northfield Council was held on Monday, April 27, 2020, using the Zoom Meeting computer program. Council members attending: Sharon Berger, Alan Birch, Steve Levy, Clark Rhea, Brandon Smith and Tracy Walker. City officials present: Mayor Randolph Chappell, Police Chief Richard Frank, Treasurer Charles Veeneman, City Engineer Phil Hasselwander and City Clerk Phyllis Onachilla. Guest: Scott Reed, Metro Louisville Council Member, District 16.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m., by Mayor Chappell.

#### **MINUTES**

Minutes of the February 24, 2020, meeting were approved as distributed.

#### **SPECIAL GUEST**

Mr. Reed addressed the Council regarding Metro Louisville's 2020/2021 budget. It is expected that revenues will be down next year and that it will be a challenge to balance the budget. Mr. Reed gave several reasons for this shortfall, including the Coronavirus Pandemic.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Council members reviewed the Income Statement for the General Fund for the month ending March 31, 2020, the Balance Sheet and the City's List of Investments for the General Fund as of March 31, 2020. They also reviewed the Income Statement and the Balance Sheet for the Road Fund for the month ending March 31, 2020, and the General Ledger and Check Register for the period from February 1 to March 31, 2020.

#### **CLERK'S REPORT**

A Public Notice regarding the two ordinances recently adopted by the City of Northfield was published in the Courier-Journal on Friday, April 24, 2020.

New residents in Northfield include: Alex and Jamie Campbell, 6402 Lime Ridge Court, Ron and Deborah Charlton, 2226 Wynnewood Circle, and Ben and Greta Pittenger, 2309 Stannye Drive.

## **POLICE REPORT**

Police Chief Richard Frank briefed council members on recent activities throughout the city and noted that there were three citations issued this month.

The Northfield Police Department has received masks and sanitizer. Unless the pandemic gets worse, they should have enough equipment to keep the patrol officers safe.

## **CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Mr. Hasselwander presented a paving and crack sealing budget for 2020/2021. He suggested budgeting \$300,000 for the paving of Northfield Drive, Newmarket Drive, Stannye Drive, Baylor Court and Keewood Court, and budgeting \$5,000 for crack sealing Rodes Drive, Baylor Drive, Lime Ridge Place and Lime Ridge Court.

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#### **OLD BUSINESS**

### VA MEDICAL CENTER

Mr. Birch reported that the Corp of Engineers are continuing to review/finalize construction documents and prepare for advertisement once litigation is concluded. "The litigation could potentially continue past the current planned advertisement date of December 2020." They also noted "Current escalation estimates indicate litigation delay could cause the total project cost to exceed project authorization".

## KLC INVESTMENT POOL

In order to take advantage of the Kentucky League of Cities Investment Pool Plus Program, City Attorney John Singler will update the City's current Investment Policy. He will also draft an ordinance which will allow Northfield to receive the Spectrum franchise fee directly from the provider rather than through the Kentucky Revenue Department

## KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION COOP

Mr. Veeneman will look into the requirements necessary for the City of Northfield to sign up for the Kentucky Transportation Coop for fiscal year 2020/2021.

# NEW BUSINESS TREE PROGRAM

Mr. Walker reported that there continues to be interest in the City's Tree Program which has been in place for the past two years and will be renewed this Fall.

#### PATROL CAR

Mayor Chappell and Police Chief Richard Frank will make a decision whether to continue with the expense of maintaining the existing Ford Explorer or purchase a new vehicle.

## **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Due to the Memorial Day holiday, the next meeting of the Northfield City Council will be held on Tuesday, May 26, 2020.

Attest:	Phyllis Onachilla, City Clerk
Randolph L. Chappell, Mayor City of Northfield	