

Paris City Commission  
525 High Street Paris, KY 40361  
Commission Chambers – Room 121  
Meeting Minutes  
October 24, 2023

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Paris City Commission met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. viewable on Facebook live at [www.facebook.com/cityofparisky](https://www.facebook.com/cityofparisky) on October 24, 2023.

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Plummer called the meeting to order, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor, John Plummer; Commissioner, Wallis Brooks; Commissioner, Tim Gray; Commissioner, Sharon Fields; Commissioner, Mike Withrow.

Others in Attendance: City Attorney, Bryan Beaman; CPA, Brad Oberlander; City Clerk & Treasurer, Stephanie Settles

#### **APPROVE MINUTES**

Motion by Brooks, seconded by Withrow, the motion unanimously carried to approve meeting minutes of October 10, 2023, regular meeting.

#### **SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Tom Ralsten and Ashley Roberts provided an update related to Main and High Street repaving stating that the ground temperatures and combined with the extensive, hand work needed, that High Street will be delayed until the spring of 2024. Main Street resurfacing will also begin in the spring of 2024.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried to approve street closure on Monday, October 30, 2023, on Main Street between 4th Street and 5th Street, beginning at 6:00 a.m. and reopening at 4:00pm. for the installation of the Secretariat statue.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried to approve a lane closure on November 12, 2023 from 8:30AM-10:30AM on Winchester Rd related to the 10k/5k.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried to approve a street closure request for November 11, 2023 from 7:00AM until 9:30 AM starting at Hardee's to the Paris Cemetery for the Legends of Bourbon County Equine Parade.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried to approve General Fund payment of invoices for \$102,422.86 and Utility Fund for \$79,113.86.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried to approve the full-time hire Celeste Hays to the position of Executive Assistant to the City Manager, A4-3.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried to approve the full-time hire Steven Townsend in the position of E-911 Dispatcher, P3-1.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried to approve the full-time hire of Madison Brann in the position of Water Treatment Plant Operator Class II, O5-2.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried to approve the surplus of vehicles by using GovDeals and authorize the Mayor, City Clerk, and City Manager to execute any necessary documents.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Fields, the motion unanimously carried to approve the surplus of equipment and furniture for sale, recycling, or scrap and authorize the Mayor, City Clerk, and City Manager to execute any necessary documents.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

Motion: Move to approve Municipal Order 2023-32 A Municipal Order approving a contract with Rumpke Of Kentucky, Inc. for solid waste and recycling services.

By: Withrow

Seconded: Gray

Yes: Plummer, Brooks, Fields, Gray, Withrow

No: None

Abstain: None

Motion: Move to approve the Secretariat Park Foundation as a Community Partner in the amount of \$ 600.00 for the remainder of the Fiscal Year and authorize the City Manager and City Clerk to execute the necessary agreements.

By:Withrow

Seconded:Plummer

Yes: Plummer, Brooks, Fields, Gray, Withrow

No: None

Abstain: None

Motion: Move to approve Municipal Order 2023-33, a municipal order approving participation in the brownfield coalition with the Bluegrass Area Development District, City of Paris, City of Winchester, and Estill County and providing for the approval of items related to a program.

By:Fields

Seconded:Withrow

Yes: Plummer, Brooks, Fields, Gray, Withrow

No: None

Abstain: None

Motion: Move to approve Municipal Order 2023-34 approving the application and participation in the fiscal year 2023 flood mitigation assistance program through funding and providing for the expedited approval of items related to such grant.

By: Fields

Seconded:Withrow

Yes: Plummer, Brooks, Fields, Gray, Withrow

No: None

Abstain: None

Motion: To authorize the Director of Human Resources to submit the required documentation for Hazardous Duty Application to the State Retirement Board.

By: Withrow

Seconded: Brooks  
Yes: Plummer, Brooks, Fields, Gray, Withrow  
No: None  
Abstain: None

Motion: Move to approve the August Financials, as presented reflecting General Fund revenues of \$ 2,196,653.00 with expenses of \$ 1,734,702.00 and Utility Fund revenues of \$ 1,833,329.00 with expenses of \$ 1,819,480.00.

By: Withrow  
Seconded: Brooks  
Yes: Plummer, Brooks, Fields, Gray, Withrow  
No: None  
Abstain: None

Motion: Move to approve the September Financials, as presented reflecting General Fund revenues of \$ 2,408,972.00 with expenses of \$ 2,681,895.00 and Utility Fund revenues of \$ 2,707,146.00 with expenses of \$ 2,899,071.00.

By: Withrow  
Seconded: Brooks  
Yes: Plummer, Brooks, Fields, Gray, Withrow  
No: None  
Abstain: None

## REPORTS

Betty Ann Allen, Tourism Director

- Paris was selected as #3 most charming small town in Southern Living magazine.
- Spooktacular pumpkins will go to Hopewell Museum this year due to maintenance on the Courthouse steps.

Lauren Biddle, Chamber of Commerce Director

- Legends of Bourbon County festival is on schedule and will begin on November 10th and continue thru November 12th.

Dalton Belcher, Planning and Zoning Director

- The new joint code enforcement board had their first meeting.
- A new vehicle is needed for Code Enforcement.

Mike Smith, Public Works Director

- A stop sign was installed on Vine Street.
- The Transfer Station bid opening is on Friday at 2:00 p.m.

Jamie Miller, City Manager

- The ordinance related to the blocking of parking spaces is currently under review. A recommendation will be brought forward at a future meeting.

Sharon Fields, Commissioner

- Requested updated playground equipment for Legion Park.
  - Jamie stated that a joint City and Parks and Recreation meeting is needed to discuss the future of the park.

## ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Brooks, the motion unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:38 a.m.

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Mayor, John A. Plummer

Attest:

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City Clerk, Stephanie Settles