

CITY OF HENDERSON – RECORD BOOK

Record of Minutes of A Work Session Meeting on October 15, 2019

A Work Session of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Henderson, Kentucky, was held on Tuesday, October 15, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. in the third floor Assembly Room, Municipal Center, 222 First Street, Henderson, Kentucky.

There were present Mayor Steve Austin presiding.

PRESENT:

Commissioner X R. Royster, III
Commissioner Bradley S. Staton

ABSENT:

Commissioner Patti Bugg
Commissioner Austin P. Vowels

CITY STAFF MEMBERS included William L. “Buzzy” Newman, Jr., City Manager; Dawn Kelsey, City Attorney; Maree Collins, City Clerk; Donna Stinnett, Community Relations Manager/Public Information Officer; Scott Foreman, Fire Chief; Trace Stevens, Parks Recreation and Cemeteries Director; Brian Williams, Public Works Director; Theresa Richey, Administrative Liaison; and Mike Richardson, Reserve Police Officer.

ALSO PRESENT: John Kelsey; Douglas White, *The Gleaner*

THE FOLLOWING AGENDA ITEMS WERE DISCUSSED:

1. Henderson Fire Department Overview

- ✓ Fire Chief Scott Foreman gave a brief overview presentation relating to the fire department goals and objectives, training, leadership development, manpower issues, industry standards for staffing, training and apparatus replacement, number of fire and EMS runs, facility replacement/location, and apparatus needs.
- ✓ Chief Foreman reported that the department responded to 2,965 runs in 2018; so far this year they have responded to 2,505 runs. If that trend remains consistent the department will respond to approximately 3,300 runs this year. The average response time for the fire department is 3 minutes 48 seconds. This is within the 4 minutes ISO standard. Statistics show that 14% of these runs are simultaneous, which means that more than one crew is sent to more than one location at the same time.
- ✓ Chief Foreman reviewed the industry standard on age of fire apparatus and the need to replace our aging facilities and equipment. He and staff have worked on a suggested replacement plan for Stations Four and One and the oldest fire trucks that are still on front line usage.
- ✓ Chief Foreman reviewed the departments training schedules for fire and EMS requirements due to the wide range of the nature of call responses completed by the department.
- ✓ There is a lot more to our fire department than just putting out fires. Fire Prevention presentations (senior living facilities and each school), car seat installation/inspections, burn permits, dive team, high angle rescue, confined spaces/trench rescue, and facility/truck tours.

2. Employee Near-Site Health Clinic Update

- ✓ William L. “Buzzy” Newman, Jr., City Manager gave a brief report on the status of the negotiations with Methodist Hospital relating to the Employee Near-Site Health Clinic. The City has received notification from Methodist Hospital that they intend to terminate clinic services at the end of this year. Discussion continues on other alternatives.

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- ✓ Dawn Kelsey, City Attorney, reported that the City gave formal one-year notice in June to terminate the Contract for Employee Near-Site Clinic services. With the closing of the clinic at the end of the year, the City is negotiating a mutual agreement to end the Contract in October. One stumbling block is the co-pay for lab services and that the City wants to continue that with Methodist without the Clinic Contract.

NO FORMAL ACTION WAS TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

MEETING ADJOURN:

MOTION by Commissioner Royster, seconded by Commissioner Staton to adjourn.

The vote was called. On roll call, the vote stood:

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| Commissioner Royster | -- | Aye: |
| Commissioner Staton | ---- | Aye: |
| Commissioner Vowels | --- | Absent: |
| Commissioner Bugg | ----- | Absent: |
| Mayor Austin | ----- | Aye: |

WHEREUPON Mayor Austin declared the work session adjourned at approximately 6:50 p.m.

ATTEST:

Steve Austin, Mayor
October 22, 2019

Maree Collins, CKMC
City Clerk,