

AGENDA
CITY OF VANCEBURG
October 7, 2024

- I. WELCOME
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND PRAYER
- III. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
- IV. SUSPEND READING AND APPROVE MINUTES
 - *August 5, 2024 – Regular Meeting
 - *September 9, 2024 – Regular Meeting
- V. EPB Report:
- VI. OLD BUSINESS:
 - A. 2nd reading of Ordinance #420.1-2024, Medical Cannabis
- VII. NEW BUSINESS:
 - A. Approval to submit a Pre-Application for ARC funding for the Electric Plant Board for a Well Project
 - B. Approval for Resolution #24.03, to allow the city to apply for the match funding
 - C. 1ST reading of Ordinance #220.24-2024, Real Estate Tax Assessments and Tax Rates
 - D. 1st reading of Ordinance #200.00A-2024, Budget Amendment for State Fire Aid \$15,000
 - E. Trick or Treat
 - F. Executive Session to discuss litigation
- VIII. UPDATES:
- IX. FLOOR OPEN:
- X. ADJOURN

October 7, 2024

The **regular meeting** of the Vanceburg City Council was held on **October 7, 2024**, and presided over by Mayor, Dane Blankenship.

Pledge of Allegiance by all and Prayer gave by Councilwoman Cantu.

Council Present:

Kathy McCann Angie Patton Mary McClurg Nichole Cantu
Joni Pugh

Council Absent:

Kody Willis

Attorney Stephen McGinnis was present for the meeting.

Councilwoman Patton made a motion to suspend and approve the **minutes** of the **regular meeting** held on **August 5, 2024**. Councilwoman Cantu seconded the motion.

Vote:

McCann yes Patton yes McClurg yes Cantu yes Pugh yes

Councilwoman Patton made a motion to suspend and approve the **minutes** of the **regular meeting** held on **September 9, 2024**. Councilwoman Cantu seconded the motion.

Vote:

McCann yes Patton yes McClurg yes Cantu yes Pugh yes

Electric Plant Board Report:

Councilwoman Patton stated the EPB is evaluating the impact of the capacity auction to our future electricity cost and the impact it will have to our utility and the answer is not good. Based on what happened with the PJM Transmission rate and what we are currently paying for energy, we need to raise our rates by around 5% to stop the bleeding. This will be around a \$5.50 increase to our average customer.

Old Business:

Councilwoman Patton asked Attorney McGinnis to read the 2nd reading of Ordinance #420.1-2024. Councilwoman Pugh made a motion to **approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance #420.1-2024, Medical Cannabis**. Councilwoman Patton seconded the motion.

Vote:

McCann yes Patton yes McClurg yes Cantu no Pugh yes

New Business:

Krisite Dodge with Buffalo Trace Area Development District spoke to council about the approval for the pre-application for ARC funding for the Electric Plant Board for a Well Project. She stated the EPB recently had to shut down a well. The funding would be for next year for an 80% grant funds and 20% matching. The project would cost around \$800,000 to replace the well. Councilwoman Pugh made a motion to **approve the pre-application for ARC funding for the Electric Plant Board Well Project**. Councilwoman Cantu seconded the motion.

Vote:

McCann yes Patton yes McClurg yes Cantu yes Pugh yes

Councilwoman Pugh made a motion to **approve Resolution #23.04, to allow the city to apply for the match funding for the Electric Plant Board for the Well Project**. Councilwoman Patton seconded the motion.

Vote:

McCann yes Patton yes McClurg yes Cantu yes Pugh yes

Kristie Dodge with Buffalo Trace Area Development District spoke to council about approval for a pre-application for ARC funding for a river front improvement for outdoor recreation. Her & Mayor Blankenship met last week discussing some ideas. This will be for funding for next year. Councilwoman Cantu made a motion to **approve to move with a pre-application for ARC funding for river front improvements for outdoor recreation**. Councilwoman Patton seconded the motion.

Vote:

McCann yes Patton yes McClurg yes Cantu yes Pugh yes

Councilwoman Cantu ask Attorney McGinnis to read the 1st reading of Ordinance #220.24-2024, Real Estate Tax Assessments and Tax Rates.

Councilwoman Cantu ask Attorney McGinnis to read the 1st reading of Ordinance #200.00A-2024, Budget Amendment for State Fire Aid \$15,000.

Trick or Treat – Mayor Blankenship stated trick or treat for the city will be on Thursday, October 31st from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. There will also be a trunk or treat on Main Street and on Front Street in town. Mayor Blankenship stated we will be serving hotdogs for the kids at the city building along with treat bags.

No executive session.

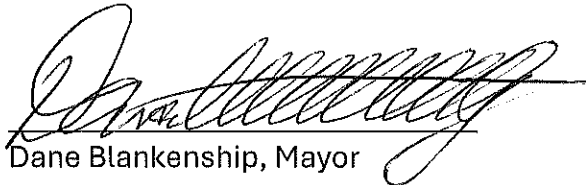
Updates:

- The city is accepting donations to send to Erwin TN for the hurricane victims. Some of those items that is a need is bread, canned food, propane tanks, batteries, can openers, adult & children's diapers, wipes, tarps, bottled water, trash bags. The deadline will be Thursday, October 10th. We have a family that will be picking up the donations on Friday morning and taking to the eastern part of TN.
- Mayor Blankenship wanted to remind everyone of the Oktoberfest coming up on Saturday, October 19th from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm. We will be having local singers singing along with the Kentucky Master Fiddler, Roger W. Cooper. We currently have 40+ vendors signed up. We will be having a tractor parade, wiener dog race, hayrides, fall pie baking contest and chili cook off.

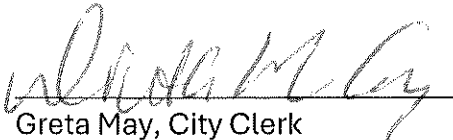
Floor Open:

- Cary Cagle approached the council with 2 signs from the Ohio Riverway showing the mile marker of Vanceburg. He stated they would like to have them put up at the Veteran's Park and the Vanceburg Boat Ramp on Front Street.
- Jacob Sartin addressed the council regarding the recovery program that he is involved with for addiction. He is currently working with the Drug Court program as well. He has spoken to several different businesses about giving a 2nd chance. He would like to see the money he receives monthly to help people here in Lewis County. He stated they must be in some sort of program to get them started. He is currently working with Fresh Start and the Homeless Coalition as well. This is a free service, and he would love to help anyone that is willing to get the help.

Councilwoman Cantu made a motion to **adjourn**. Councilwoman McClurg seconded the motion. All agreed.


Dane Blankenship, Mayor

Attest:


Greta May, City Clerk