

` City of Fincastle  
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Mayor:  
John Bell  
Commissioners:  
Ollie White  
Elton Harris, Jr  
Jerry Gregory  
Samuel Jackson  
James Holt  
Jack Mills

City Attorney:  
Michael Lawrence  
Treasurer/Clerk:  
Jean Reid

3-10-2022

The meeting of the City of Fincastle called to order at 7:30pm at the Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church, 4200 Shenandoah Drive.

Present: Mayor John Bell, Michael Lawrence, City Attorney, Treasurer/clerk Reid.  
Commissioners: Ollie White, Jerry Gregory, Samuel Jackson, Gene Harris, Jr. and James Holt. Guests were residents of the city and David Ricci, landscaper for the city.

#### MINUTES

The minutes from meeting 2-10-2022 were reviewed. Commissioner Jackson moved to accept the minutes as presented, a second came from Commissioner Gregory, motion passed.

#### TREASURER REPORT

General Fund YTD as of 2-28-2022	\$264,923.16
General Fund Savings YTD as of 2-28-2022	\$209,304.76
Total Road Fund YTD as of 2-28-2022	\$184,867.67

The treasurer completed the city extension request form for the audit of fiscal year 2021 that was due March 1, 2022. The Department for Local Governments approved the extension request with the audit now due 12-1-2022. The fiscal year 2021 Uniform Financial Report (UFIR) is in process for submission by the May 1, 2022, deadline. KLC sent a letter with their bill for annual dues noting an increase, and the reasons for that increase. This year's bill is \$550, last years was \$400. Commissioner Harris moved to approve the treasurer's report subject to audit, a second came from Commissioner Gregory, motion passed.

#### LEGAL

The city attorney gave an update on delinquent property taxes owed by Cobb. With may entities filing claims against the property, we're waiting for someone to file to sell the property to collect monies owed, the city is in first position to collect. The question of whether ARPA funds could be used to move fences, swing sets, etc that were discovered by recent survey to be on city owned property was addressed. Legal advice is that they

cannot be used for that purpose. Ricci advised he has a client on Leesburg with a fence on city property wondering when it had to be moved, was advised in due time.

#### OLD BUSINESS

The Mayor will provide names of holiday contest winners:

1<sup>st</sup> 4418 Amelia Ct

2<sup>nd</sup> 4207 Shenandoah Dr

3<sup>rd</sup> 4312 Murphy Ln

Landscaper Ricci advised about dead trees on city property back on Prince George Court, blocked drainage ditches and also noted 4 properties where there are no fences on city property, but the owners had been maintaining. These areas need a review on what the city needs to maintain and also what MSD will need to maintain, ie drainage ditches. Commissioner Holt noted that MSD comes out every 2 years to clean out a drainage ditch near his property. Commissioner Holt moved to increase some council compensation effective 7-1-22, the start of the new fiscal year:

Commissioners \$200/mo, Mayor \$700/mo, Treasurer/clerk \$800/mo. A second was given by Commissioner Jackson. In discussion, Commissioner White asked about the most recent KLC Wage and Salary Survey. Treasurer/clerk advised she had completed and sent in December, 2021 but has not received any word yet on the completed report. The Mayor tried to pull up the last report from KLC website to review but could not access it. A vote was taken, 3 aye votes, 2 commissioners abstained.

#### NEW BUSINESS

The lights at front entrance were discussed. An electrician came out and advised there are issues with the underground electric lines. To re-do all 7 light poles and 5 lights on the brick wall would be \$18,500. Commissioner Jackson suggested getting rid of a post, the city would have to get a price to take it down. Commissioner Harris moved to replace all lights in the common area, but with no bids for pricing, withdrew the motion, suggesting getting pricing to replace the lighting at front entrance. He also asked again about pole on Leesburg, the electrician can address when they come out. Commissioner Holt said some residents asked why there was no park in the neighborhood, the mayor said that could be researched. It was also discussed that perhaps the Oktoberfest event could be held in a different month with better weather conditions.

#### OPEN FLOOR

The signs in the neighborhood advising of the monthly meeting and a reminder to put them out has increased attendance. Mayor indicated he would send out a ReachAlert a day prior to the meeting to remind residents who may want to attend. A resident asked about lighting issues, either brighter or more streetlights. LG&E determines how many lights are plausible in a neighborhood. Citizens can call LG&E to report when lights are out.

Commissioner Gregory moved to adjourn, a second came from Commissioner Holt, motion passed.

Respectfully submitted  
Mayor John Bell

Jean Reid, Treasurer/clerk

