

**August 22, 2019**

**The Board of Council of the City of Russell, Kentucky met in regular session in the meeting room of the City Building on August 22, 2019, at 6:02 p.m. Mayor Simpson led the pledge and gave the prayer. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Simpson with the following councilpersons answering roll call: Dave Kersey, Clyde Meadows, Roy Parsons, Esther Shaffer, Alice Thompson, and Mike Whitt. Absent: None.**

**On the motion of Mike Whitt, seconded by Alice Thompson to adopt the minutes for July 25 2019 and minutes for opening the bids, voting aye: Dave Kersey, Clyde Meadows, Roy Parsons, Esther Shaffer, Alice Thompson, and Mike Whitt. Nay: None.**

**No Financial Reports for the months of June and July due to having to re-balance the accounts for April and May because of the reports needing to be re-figured from the new water program.**

**The Mayor recognized the audience.**

**Matt Curtis – Bluegrass Engineering – gave an update on the new tank. He advised the Mayor and Council that it had been decided from discussions with the City that they would look at the possibility of running a direct line to the tank from Meadowlark Road.**

**On the motion of Clyde Meadows, seconded by Roy Parsons to approve the direct water line to the new water tank by seeing which plan would be more feasible either following the City's easement or approaching the Church for property and to declare this as an emergency to speed the process up, voting aye: Dave Kersey, Clyde Meadows, Roy Parsons, Esther Shaffer, Alice Thompson, and Mike Whitt. Nay: None.**

**Donna Hatmaker - 350 Etna Street - thanked the Mayor and Council for moving forward with the removal of the pigeons. Mrs. Hatmaker requested that the City put a speed hump on Etna Street due to the speeders.**

**August 22, 2019 – Continued:**

**The Mayor informed Council that the City would not be receiving the deed for the bridge property until easements between the State of Ohio and Kentucky had been worked out.**

**The Mayor informed Council that he would be purchasing one more speed bump for Short White Oak Road and one for Cardinal Road.**

**The Mayor informed Council that the City did not receive any bids for the sidewalk project and that the project would be re-bid. Bids would need to be returned by 4:00 p.m. on September 5, 2019.**

**The Mayor informed Council that the Personnel rules had been given to the Supervisors for review. Therefore, there would be no action until the rules had been reviewed.**

**The Mayor spoke to Council about the problem with the Dumpsters.**

**On the motion of Mike Whitt, seconded by Roy Parsons to remove the dumpsters from the City's property as soon as possible and to allow the dumpsters to be used during clean up week for Spring, Summer, and Fall cleanups, voting aye: Dave Kersey, Clyde Meadows, Roy Parsons, Esther Shaffer, and Mike Whitt. Nay: Alice Thompson.**

**On the motion of Roy Parsons, seconded by Alice Thompson to adopt on second reading Ordinance #8 a second Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Ordinance #10-2-15, voting aye: Dave Kersey, Clyde Meadows, Roy Parsons, Esther Shaffer, Alice Thompson, and Mike Whitt. Nay: None.**

**On the motion of Roy Parsons, seconded by Clyde Meadows to adopt on 1<sup>st</sup> reading Ordinance #9 Property Tax Rates on Situation #4 using a real estate rate of .493 (same as prior year) and a corresponding maximum personal property rate of .9397, voting aye: Dave Kersey, Clyde Meadows, Roy Parsons, Esther Shaffer, Alice Thompson, and Mike Whitt. Nay: None.**

**August 22, 2019 – Continued:**

**On the motion of Roy Parsons, seconded by Mike Whitt to move the regular scheduled Council meeting from September 26, 2019 to September 12, 2019 at 6:00 p.m., voting aye: Dave Kersey, Clyde Meadows, Roy Parsons, Esther Shaffer, Alice Thompson, and Mike Whitt. Nay: None.**

**On the motion of Esther Shaffer, seconded by Roy Parsons to set the public hearing for the Property tax rates for September 12, 2019 at 5:30 p.m., voting aye: Dave Kersey, Clyde Meadows, Roy Parsons, Esther Shaffer, Alice Thompson, and Mike Whitt. Nay: None.**

**On the motion of Dave Kersey, seconded by Roy Parsons to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m., voting aye: Dave Kersey, Clyde Meadows, Roy Parsons, Esther Shaffer, Alice Thompson, and Mike Whitt. Nay: None.**

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**Samuel R. Simpson IV, Mayor**

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**Joyce E. Conley, City Clerk/Treasurer**