



FAITH AND FUN ON THE FOURTH – Hickman First United Methodist Church family was on hand for an Independence Day celebration at the corner of Carroll and Tennessee Streets in Hickman, handing out free hot dogs, water, popsicles and glow sticks to visitors. The group provided a tent for shade as well, from 7:30-9 p.m. July 4th, as crowds gathered to watch the annual fireworks display launched from the Hickman harbor. (Photo courtesy of Hickman City and Fulton County, KY. News & Events)



PATRIOTS' PRIDE – During the Fulton Railroaders baseball game at Lohaus Field July 4, special recognition was extended to those who served our country, by the Railroaders team members and staff. The Railroaders went on to win the Independence Day battle against the Hopkinsville Hoppers. Thanks to Fulton Tourism Commission the first 300 spectators to the game received free general admission. (Photo submitted)

Fulton Planning, Zoning Board reviews City's Zoning Codes

Benita Fuzzell

Members of the City of Fulton's Planning and Zoning Board covered Articles 5, 6 and 7 of the Zoning Code Update, during the regular monthly board meeting June 27 at 6 p.m. in the conference room of Fulton City Hall.

Code Enforcement Officer Nathan Lamb led board members Debbie Jerman, Gary Fulcher, David Ware, Valerie and Tim Cook through proposed revisions to the city code, after a review of the designated sections by Lamb and City Manager Mike Gunn.

Article 5 of the current code addresses administration, with the majority of that information deleted. The section 5.1 first addressed Administrative official, and stated unless otherwise decreed by the city's resolution, the Building Inspector shall act as administrative official as defined in KRS.

Also in section 5.2.2., language was deleted addressing procedures in the absence of a public water supply or sanitary sewerage facilities, regarding a certificate from the County Sanitarian approving the method

of water supply and waste disposal would be required. Lamb said to his knowledge the County does not currently have a County Sanitarian.

Fees, issuance, authority and power of building inspector and expiration of building permit are also addressed in that section.

Discussion was conducted regarding application fees for dimensional variances, as previously, a review fee had been set at \$10, with that amount set decades ago.

While no official action was taken, as a complete review will first be made by the board for all code sections, board members present held the consensus that a fee of \$50 would be fair, to cover the administering cost involved with the issuance of the variance.

Lamb did note that as to the language included in the code addressing the recording of the dimensional variance, all dimensional variances approved by the Board of Adjustments shall be recorded at the expense of the applicant, in the office of the Fulton County Court Clerk, however typically, the city will record the variance, at the cost of the applicant.

Another fee, the Zoning Amendment Review Fee, was proposed to be increased by the board, from \$35 to \$100. Lamb said most often such zoning amendment reviews are associated with businesses or developers.

An item listed in Article 6, allowed for the city's establishment to charge a \$500 fee for any special meeting requested, other than the regular scheduled board meetings, to address public hearings or zoning amendments, to be paid by the applicant.

The board's consensus was that fee would not be necessary, however ultimately no official action was taken during the review and recommendation discussion.

Lamb said the board could "take it in bites" in reference to the code review, prior to sending a draft to Pike Legal for the updated version of the code.

Another item on the board meeting's agenda was in relation to medical cannabis dispensaries. He said he had hoped to have more information for the board's review however City Manager Gunn had not yet had the opportunity to review it and as soon as he was able to do so, Lamb would bring the mat-

ter back to the board.

Lamb shared with the board that the city had already had interest shown by groups regarding the state of Kentucky's process to allow the opening of medical cannabis dispensaries, however ultimately, the city could explore options as to whether to allow such businesses to locate within the city, or if allowed, to determine specific zones in which they could locate.

The board was reminded that training hours conducted during board meetings will be revisited, as had been previously done, to keep board members up to date with training requirements.



BOMBS BURSTING IN AIR – Area residents gathered together to view the fireworks display over Hickman's harbor the night of July 4, presented and sponsored by the Hickman Recreation and Tourism Committee, and local donations. (Photo courtesy of Hickman City and Fulton County, KY. News & Events)

South Fulton's Rural Fire Service Fees approved by Commission

Benita Fuzzell

South Fulton City Commission met for a special called session July 1 at 5 p.m., with one item listed on the agenda, consideration of a Resolution, No. 2024-02, regarding Rural Fire Service Fees.

Mayor David Lamb, Commissioners Tommy Pruett, Cody Caksackkar, Billy Williams and Beatrice Wilcox were present, as was City Manager Joyce Gray, City Recorder Jackie Potter and City Finance Officer Alex Hicks.

The resolution addresses the city's amending of the Rural Fire Service protection plan regarding fees and other issues in order for the South Fulton Fire Department to furnish fire protection cover-

age to areas outside the city limits.

The revision of fees, to provide for the rural fire service to area residents who live outside the city limits, establishes anyone who wants to participate in the Rural Fire Service program shall now be required to pay an annual rural fire service fee of \$100 for each piece of property to be covered.

The first response by the City to any Rural Fire Service covered property during each annual subscription period is to be free, however thereafter, subsequent fire call response made before Aug. 1, 2024, and thereafter to any such Rural Fire Service covered property will result in a fee of \$750.00 during each annual subscription period.

If the City responds to any Rural Fire Service call or request for a response relating to any non-covered property at any time, the fee shall be \$5,000 for each response.

New participants subscribing to the Rural Fire Service program after Aug. 1 will be charged a prorated amount of \$8.333 per month for each month before the next annual due date.

All fees are to be paid to South Fulton City Hall within 30 days of the date of any bill transmitted by the City of South Fulton/South Fulton Fire Department, to any person, or their insurance company, for any Rural Fire Service response provided.

For more information contact South Fulton City Hall at 731-479-2151.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for **Exterior Renovations at Development KY037-001A (Holly Court)** will be received by the Housing Authority of Hickman, 1209 Holly Street, Suite 50, Hickman, Kentucky 42050 on **Thursday, August 1, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.** and then at said location be publicly opened and read aloud. Prior to the opening of the envelope, the names of all contractors listed shall be read aloud and incorporated into the bid.

The plans, specifications, and other contract documents may be examined at the following locations: Cauthen & Associates, LLC, 2908 Elm Hill Pike, Nashville, Tennessee 37214; or AGC of Western Kentucky, Dodge Data & Analytics, ConstructConnect, Builders Exchange of Kentucky, Blue Book Building & Construction, River City Printing, LLC, Paducah Blueprint & Supply Plan Room, West Tennessee Plan Room.

Bidding documents may be obtained from Stephanie Coles, Cauthen & Associates, LLC, 2908 Elm Hill Pike, Nashville, Tennessee 37214. A deposit of \$200.00 is required for one set of Bidding Documents. Partial sets will not be issued. All bid deposit checks or drafts shall be made **payable to Cauthen & Associates, LLC.** Requirements for bid deposit refunds can be found in the expanded Advertisement for Bids bound within the Project Manual. Full refunds on deposits will be issued only if bidding documents are returned in good condition within 14 days after the bid opening. *No refunds will be issued for bidding documents received after the 14-days period.*

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding. No bidder may withdraw his bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Walk Through and Prebid Conference

At **10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 23, 2024**, a pre-bid conference for will be held at the Housing Authority of Hickman, 1209 Holly Street, Suite 50, Hickman, Kentucky, for the purpose of answering questions bidders may have and to consider any suggestions they may wish to make concerning the project. Immediately following the pre-bid conference, a walk-through of the project(s) will be held by the Owner. Although not mandatory, all contractors are recommended to attend this walk-through and pre-bid conference.

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By: Lynn Busby, Executive Director
Date: July 10, 2024

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