

CITY OF FAIRVIE032W

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 16, 2020

John Blade, Mayor
Debby Rainey, Vice Mayor
Derek K. Burks, Commissioner
Rod Dawson, Commissioner
Scott Lucas, Commissioner
Scott Collins, City Manager
Tim Potter, City Attorney
Brandy Johnson, City Recorder

Present: --Blade, Burks, Lucas, Rainey
Others Present: Collins, Paisley

1. Roll Call – by Collins

	Present	Absent
Commissioner Burks	x	___
Commissioner Dawson	___	x
Commissioner Lucas	x	___
Vice Mayor Rainey	x	___
Mayor Blade	x	___

2. Call to Order by Mayor Blade at 7:00 p.m.

3. Prayer and Pledge led by Mayor Blade

4. Approval of the Agenda and Executive Session Announcements

Motion: Rainey

Second: Lucas

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Commissioner Burks	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Dawson	ABSENT			
Commissioner Lucas	x	___	___	___
Vice Mayor Rainey	x	___	___	___
Mayor Blade	x	___	___	___

5. Public Hearing - NONE

6. Citizen Comments - NONE

7. Announcements, Awards, Recognitions

- A. Arbor Day Proclamation read by Mayor Blade. Arbor Day celebration has been postponed until everything opens up for business again. The state has released a tree planting grant which requires matching funds. We will look at the opportunity and see if it's something we may take advantage of.

8. Staff Comments and Reports

- A. City Manager

- Coronavirus and City Operations: Adjusted staffing and work hours will continue through May 1 and all departments to resume normal operations May 4. Decision on Bowie Park summer camps and summer programs will be made no later than May 15, 2020. The park is currently closed for safety and health reasons. Warnings have been issued for those using alternate access points into the park and if additional encounters occur, we will issue trespass summons. Please continue to practice social distancing as safety is our number one concern. We will adjust hours again if need.
- Fiscal Year 2021 Budget: We are scheduled for a first reading on the budget at the May 7 meeting with the second reading and public hearing on June 4. Collins to schedule individual meetings with the BOC the week of April 27 to review the proposed budget as well as a scheduled work session at 5:00 on May 7 for a full review. The state has prepared revenue projections related to the Coronavirus. Those projections indicate a projected decrease of \$70,000 in our state shared revenue and a \$50,000 decrease in state street aid. We likely won't know our local sales tax projections until mid-May. We are hoping increased grocery sales will offset decreased sales in other areas. Additionally, our health insurance costs are projected to increase by approximately 13% (\$58,000) for the new budget year. For these reasons, Collins plans to draft a conservative budget very similar to this year's budget. Similar to Williamson County and the other cities in our county the initial budget likely will not include pay increases. The plan is to review our revenues for the first half of the budget year and consider raises at that time. We would rather be uncomfortable for the short-term and smart long-term. If Corona continues longer term, the impact will be greater than what is currently projected. We have kept our reserves intact and are currently looking to increase from 10 to 20% over the next ten years. The Coronavirus is a very real example of why this should happen.
- Governor's Local Support Grant: The City of Fairview is slated to receive \$228,594 from the state through the governor's local support grant already approved in the state budget. The application will be available by April 30 and a resolution must be adopted by the BOC stating how the funds will be used within the specified parameters. Items being considered now are a service truck for the fire department, patrol car computers, city I.T. upgrades, ADA friendly front doors for city hall and police patrol cars with any remaining funds. These funds must be expended by June 30, 2023.
- Election Related Items: At the June 7 BOC meeting, Collins will give a full overview of the election process for our 2020 municipal election, including the seating structure, term lengths for staggered terms and the voting process. He will also present the schedule for Commissioner Camp candidate sessions to be held in July and August. This will likely consist of (5) 90-minute sessions to be completed prior to the end of the candidate qualifying period.
- July 3 Event: Currently scheduled to take place and any cancellation decision will be made well in advance with proposed alternate dates for a similar community event. There's a lot of moving parts to consider and our first priority is to protect the community.

9. Consent Agenda (Any Item May Be Removed for Individual Consideration)

- Minutes from the April 2, 2020 Board of Commissioners Meeting
- Minutes from the April 2, 2020 Board of Commissioners Work Session

Motion: Lucas

Second: Burks

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Commissioner Burks	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Dawson	ABSENT			
Commissioner Lucas	x	___	___	___
Vice Mayor Rainey	x	___	___	___

Mayor Blade	x	___	___	___
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10. Old Business – N/A

11. New Business

A. Off Premise Beer Permit for Mahamati 03, Inc, 2209 Fairview Blvd, New Owner

Motion: Lucas

Second: Burks

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Commissioner Burks	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Dawson	ABSENT			
Commissioner Lucas	x	___	___	___
Vice Mayor Rainey	x	___	___	___
Mayor Blade	x	___	___	___

B. Ordinance 2020-04, Municipal Code Amendment for Municipal Court Judge Qualifications

Motion: Burks

Second: Rainey

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Commissioner Burks	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Dawson	ABSENT			
Commissioner Lucas	x	___	___	___
Vice Mayor Rainey	x	___	___	___
Mayor Blade	x	___	___	___

C. Ordinance 2020-05, Municipal Code Amendment for Municipal Court Judge Qualifications

Motion: Burks

Second: Rainey

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Commissioner Burks	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Dawson	ABSENT			
Commissioner Lucas	x	___	___	___
Vice Mayor Rainey	x	___	___	___
Mayor Blade	x	___	___	___

D. Ordinance 2020-06, Municipal Code Amendment to Re-order Code Sections Related to Municipal Court Judge Compensation

Motion: Burks

Second: Lucas

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Commissioner Burks	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Dawson	ABSENT			
Commissioner Lucas	x	___	___	___
Vice Mayor Rainey	x	___	___	___
Mayor Blade	x	___	___	___

E. Ordinance 2020-07, Municipal Code Amendment to Establish an Individual Code Section for Court Records

Motion: Rainey

Second: Burks

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Commissioner Burks	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Dawson	ABSENT			

Commissioner Lucas	x	___	___	___
Vice Mayor Rainey	x	___	___	___
Mayor Blade	x	___	___	___

F. Ordinance 2020-08, Municipal Code Amendment to Establish Individual Code Section for Court Dockets

Motion: Lucas
Second: Burks

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Commissioner Burks	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Dawson	ABSENT			
Commissioner Lucas	x	___	___	___
Vice Mayor Rainey	x	___	___	___
Mayor Blade	x	___	___	___

G. Ordinance 2020-09, Municipal Code Amendment to Revise the Municipal Code Prohibition of Wearing Masks – Commissioner Burks thinks the ordinance is silly and if someone wears a mask in the commission of a crime he is much more concerned with the crime than the mask. He makes a motion to repeal the ordinance completely and City Manager Collins confirms Burks wants to repeal section 11-8-805 in its entirety.

Motion: Burks to repeal
Second: Rainey

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Commissioner Burks	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Dawson	ABSENT			
Commissioner Lucas	x	___	___	___
Vice Mayor Rainey	x	___	___	___
Mayor Blade	x	___	___	___

12. Communications from the Mayor and Commissioners

- A. Commissioner Burks thanks first responders and the front-line essential workers who put themselves in harms way and sacrifice for the rest of us, especially those working at grocery stores who are dealing with the public because staying at home can be trying at times. This is one of the reasons we worked hard to get our reserve fund in place. You can't predict a pandemic. Our goal is to make sure the city is properly cared for. Burks thanked City Manager Collins for his ability in getting the reserves in place and foresight as we look to increase the overall amount of our reserves.
- B. Commissioner Lucas - none
- C. Commissioner Dawson – absent
- D. Vice Mayor Rainey appreciates getting to see everyone slow down noting it is good to be Fairview as we are all still taking care of one another.
- E. Mayor Blade echoes Burks and Rainey's sentiments noting he's never been more proud to serve and represent Fairview. On the weekly conference calls of county mayors it has been refreshing to say Fairview continues to help one another.

13. Adjournment –Commissioner Burks made a motion for adjournment with Vice Mayor Rainey seconding and meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Brandy Johnson
City Recorder