

Commissioners catch up as summer comes to end

BY DEVON WILLIAMS
NEWS REPORTER

On Tuesday, July 21, the City of Cynthiana Board of Commissioners gathered at the Board of Education building for their final meeting of the month.

MAYOR'S REPORT

-Mayor Isaac Dailey noted that the Cynthiana-Harrison County Tourism Commission has voted and approved a partnership with the Chamber of Commerce for a consultant to come in and conduct a Downtown Momentum Reset.

"After meetings with this consultant, he called Cynthiana a place where our downtown revitalization was in its teenage years," Dailey went on. "So things look a little different in your teenage years. And so we're trying to consider how we continue to move forward

better."

Dailey said the consultant will come three times, starting in August, and meet with different stakeholders, residents, businesses and building owners.

"I think it's going to be a really exciting thing for us and our community," stated Dailey.

-The mayor made note of dwelling units that were voted into code in Harrison County and Cynthiana at the previous Planning and Zoning meeting. Applications are available online.

-In regard to the recent bouts of bad weather, Dailey stated that Emergency Management Coordinator Joey Nelson has been working on a grant for replacement of all three sirens as well as an addition of two in the county.

"That's on the books, that's been in the works

prior to today and they're going to try to be working on those next week, but before any tests are done on those sirens going forward there'll be an announcement for that information," informed Dailey.

-Dailey noted the upcoming public forum on data centers Tuesday, July 28.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS

-Commissioner of Public Property and Finance Mark Mattmiller said word has been positive around the use of the Splash Pad in the heat of the summer. He then noted they would begin working on property tax rates for 2026 the next day.

Mattmiller made a motion to pay the following bills: \$48,098 in the general fund and \$12,341 in the water and sewer fund. The motion carried.

Cash in the bank is

\$140,387 in the general fund, \$744,057 in the water and sewer fund and \$185,704 in the municipal road aid fund.

-Commissioner of Police Safety Taylor Peoples was welcomed back by the mayor after a brief absence and Taylor noted that it was good to be back.

He made a motion to authorize to use DEA Asset Forfeiture Equitable sharing funds in the amount of \$620.00 to pay for services from Smitty Tint on a task force vehicle, which carried.

Peoples also made a motion to authorize to use DEA Asset Forfeiture Equitable Sharing Funds in the amount of \$1,253.05 for community awareness resources from Positive Promotions for Halloween Safety, which carried.

Finally, he made a motion to authorize to use DEA Asset Forfeiture Equitable

Sharing Funds in the amount of \$6,000 for equipment needed for the dive team and future training as needed, which also carried.

To close, Peoples thanked the board for "holding it down while I was gone, I had full confidence but definitely never want to assume anything."

"I want to thank Cynthiana Police Department for holding it down as well. I think we have a great team and department there. And upon arrival I noticed the improvement downtown, the stretch of buildings there, I think it looks great. Definitely a really aesthetically pleasing sight."

-Commissioner of Fire Safety and Emergency Services Roger Slade; Dailey gave the report in his stead.

A motion was made to authorize to hire Josh Prather as a full-time certi-

fied firefighter effective July 20, salary to commensurate with position, which carried.

Dailey made another motion to authorize to award Fire Station #1 Addition bid to Devere Construction, Inc for the amount of \$1,805,000, which carried.

-Commissioner of Public Utilities and Works David Conner made a motion to authorize to advertise for a water treatment plant operator trainee, which carried.

Conner made another motion to authorize to advertise for request of qualifications for professional engineering services for South Fork Licking River raw water intake project, which carried.

Finally, Conner made a motion to authorize to advertise for Municipal Road Aid and city street paving bids, which carried.

Pleas from the pound



Callie is a beautiful two-year-old girl with an adorable little bobtail that makes her extra special! She can be a bit nervous when meeting new people, but underneath her shy exterior is a very sweet cat who just needs a little patience and kindness. Once she feels safe, Callie is sure to steal your heart. Come meet this unique girl and give her the chance she deserves!



Nancy has done an amazing job raising her babies, and now that they've all found loving homes, it's finally her turn. This sweet two-year-old mama is ready to leave motherhood behind and be someone's beloved companion. She's hoping her happily ever after is just around the corner! Come meet Nancy and give this deserving girl the forever home she's been waiting for.



Raven is a gorgeous nine-month-old girl with an adorable bobtail, just like her mom, Callie! This sweet youngster is ready to find a family of her own and start the next chapter of her life. With her unique little tail and charming personality, Raven is sure to capture your heart. Come meet this special girl today!



Ozzy is a three-year-old Mini Aussie/Border Collie mix weighing in at 23 pounds. This sweet little guy loves being close to his people. If you're looking for a loyal companion, he's your perfect shadow! This affectionate boy enjoys attention and would happily spend his days by your side. He's the perfect size for adventures or cuddling on the couch. Come meet Ozzy and see if he's the missing piece of your family!



Tickets sales open for this year's farm to table dinner

BY LISA HURST
HARRISON COUNTY FARMERS MARKET

The Harrison County Farmers Market is excited to announce that we will be welcoming guest chef Tyler McNabb at our second annual farm to table dinner. This year's theme is Celebrating 250 Years of American Harvest and Community.

The dinner will be held at the pavilion at Flat Run Park on Aug. 28. Welcome hour begins at 5 p.m. and a three-course dinner will be served at 6 p.m. A menu has not been finalized yet but will feature locally grown produce, meat and baked goods.

Last year's dinner was a complete success and raised enough money for the market to purchase three-season curtains for the pavilion.

This year, the market

received 501 C 3 status and will be doing outreach projects including providing new mothers with healthy produce, assisting youth with planting and marketing vegetables and providing supplemental vouchers to WIC, Senior and SNAP participants as well as summer feeding program participants.

Tickets for the event are available on Facebook on the Harrison County Ky Farm to Table page under the farm to table event. You can also purchase tickets in person on Saturdays at the farmers' market between 9 a.m. and noon. For more information, please call or text 859.298.1025, 859.588.4074, 678.687.5144 or 859.421.7104. You can also message the market on Messenger.

Temporary KY 1940 closure starts Monday

KENTUCKY
TRANSPORTATION CABINET
DISTRICT 6

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) advises motorists of an upcoming road closure on KY 1940 in Harrison County for a culvert replacement project that will improve drainage in the area.

Beginning Monday, Aug.

3, a portion of KY 1940 will be closed just south of Steffe Lane (mile point 1.3). The closure is expected to remain in place through Monday, Aug. 17.

Local traffic will be able to access the roadway up to the closure point. Through traffic will not be permitted due to the extent of

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