

**AGENDA**  
**CITY OF VANCEBURG**  
**September 11, 2023**

- I. WELCOME
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND PRAYER
- III. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
- IV. SUSPEND READING AND APPROVE MINUTES  
\*August 7, 2023 – Regular Meeting
- V. Speakers:
  - Anita Bertram & Alex Halsey with the Lewis County Health Department
- VI. EPB Report:
- VII. OLD BUSINESS:
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS:
  - A. 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance #230.01A-2023, Amending Ordinance #230.01 providing an amendment to the financial disclosure forms required by the City of Vanceburg Ethic Ordinance and other matters
  - B. 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance #220.22-2023, Real Estate Tax Assessments Ordinance
  - C. 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance #200.00A-2023, Amending the 23/24 Fiscal Year Budget
  - D. Executive Session
- IX. UPDATES
- X. ADJOURN

September 11, 2023

The **regular meeting** of the Vanceburg City Council was held on **September 11, 2023**, and presided over by Mayor, Dane Blankenship.

Pledge of Allegiance by all and Prayer gave by Councilwoman Cantu.

**Council Present:**

Kody Willis	Kathy McCann	Angie Patton
Nichole Cantu	Joni Pugh	

**Council Absent:**

Mary McClurg

City Attorney Stephen McGinnis was present.

Councilman Willis made a motion to suspend and approve the **minutes** of the **regular meeting** held on **August 7, 2023**. Councilwoman Pugh seconded the motion.

**Vote:**

Willis	yes	Patton	yes	McCann	yes
Pugh	yes	Cantu	yes		

**Speakers:**

Anita Bertram and Alex Halsey with the Lewis County Health Department spoke to the council regarding a program called Harm Reduction. Some of the benefits of this is reduction in the transmission of diseases like HIV and Hepatitis C. The Health Departments 2 main goals are overdose prevention and preventing Hepatitis C. Harm Reduction acts as a bridge to other services, including addiction treatment. The Health Department has applied for a grant to help get this on the ground running and will hear if they get the grant on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

Councilwoman McCann made a motion to **approve and support for the syringe service program through the Lewis County Health Department**. Councilwoman Pugh seconded the motion.

**Vote:**

Willis	no	McCann	yes	Patton	yes
Cantu	no	Pugh	yes		

**Electric Plant Board Report:**

Councilwoman Patton reported that the Electric Plant Board would be meeting on Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> for their regular meeting.

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

Councilwoman Pugh ask Attorney McGinnis to read the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of **Ordinance #230.01A-2023, amending ordinance #230.01, providing an amendment to the financial disclosure forms required by the City of Vanceburg Ethic Ordinance and other matters.**

Councilwoman Cantu ask Attorney McGinnis to read the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of **Ordinance #220.22-2023, Real Estate Tax Assessments.**

Councilman Willis ask Attorney McGinnis to read the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of **Ordinance #200.00A-2023, amending 2023/2024 Fiscal Year Budget.**

Councilwoman Patton made a motion to go into **executive session to discuss ligation.** Councilwoman Cantu seconded the motion.

**Vote:**

Willis	yes	Patton	yes	McCann	yes
Pugh	yes	Cantu	yes		

Councilwoman Patton made a motion to **come back into regular session with no action being taken.** Councilman Willis seconded the motion.

**Vote:**

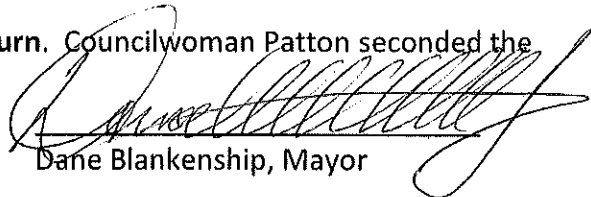
Willis	yes	Patton	yes	McCann	yes
Pugh	yes	Cantu	yes		

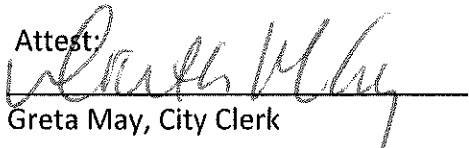
**Updates:**

Mayor Blankenship mentioned the city had a 911 Ceremony held at Veteran’s Park this morning. Great turnout, we had (2) 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classes that led us in the Pledge Allegiance and WWII Veteran Otis Wright was present as well. Mayor wanted to thank everyone for attending and making it a nice ceremony.

Mayor Blankenship mentioned the George Morgan Thomas House/Vanceburg Visitor Center of doing more activities with the visitor center. He stated it is hard to do much in there due to several things that people have on loan. He would like to look into different ideas to utilize the place and help with the utilities and the upkeep of the visitor center. We are currently contacting the individuals who have items on loan there to have them picked up or donate them to the visitor center.

Councilman Willis made a motion to **adjourn.** Councilwoman Patton seconded the motion. All agreed.

  
Dane Blankenship, Mayor

Attest:  
  
Greta May, City Clerk