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April 18,'19 Monthly Member Meeting
Minutes

Mayor Bonnie Jung, JCLC President, welcomed everyone and opened the April 18, '19 Monthly Member Meeting at 7:00PM, City of Middletown City Hall, 11803 Old Shelbyville Road, Middletown, Kentucky. She opened the floor for self introductions of attendees.

Minutes: The March 21,'19 Monthly Member Meeting Minutes were at their seats. Motion accepted to approve by consensus.

Treasurer's Report: Mayor Jung reported that the Board had approved the following Treasurer's Report. Beginning balance on 3/1/19 of \$39,062.00; income of \$351.20; expenses of \$6119.08; ending balance on 3/31/19 of \$33,293.64. The Board also approved the first draft of the 2019-2020 JCLC Annual Budget which will be distributed at the May, '19 Monthly Member Meeting for approval.

Reports:

Mayor Jung called on Mayor Bill Dieruf, KLC President, for a report. He reported that the KLC Board will meet in Jeffersontown on June 20, '19 and all Mayors are welcome to attend and submit any proposed legislation for the 2020 Ky. Legislative Session. He also reviewed HB 69 which gives cities the ability to diversify their city funds. KLC is studying the creation of a investment 'pool' for Ky. Cities and he will report back on it.

Abby Pieper, assistant to JCPS Superintendent Dr. Marty Pollio, was called on for a report. She reported that the student assignment plan is being reviewed and should be ready this Fall. The community survey has shown an interest in equitable facilities, school choice and diversity. The 2019-2020 budget is being developed; state testing scores for schools are up; goal of addition of mental health counselors for each school. Questions and answers followed.

Melissa Mershon, Community Coordinator, and Angie McCoy, Chief Deputy, in Circuit Court Clerk David Nicholson's office gave a brief presentation on the upcoming new driver's license. This driver's license will be required for travel, specifically out of the U. S., and a passport will be required if a Ky. citizen maintains the current style license. This is a U. S. standard for security purposes. A person will need the following documents to acquire it, current passport, copy of social security card, latest W2, two pieces of mail for proof of address. A person's name has to be the same on all these documents. The license will be valid for eight years. It will take place in 2020 with application for it in Fall 2019. A descriptive brochure of this new license and application procedures was distributed and discussed.

Program Speaker:

Mayor Bonnie Jung introduced State Rep. Rocky Adkins, Ky. House of Representatives Minority Leader. He thanked everyone for their service to their cities and the opportunity to speak to them regarding issues of importance to cities and challenges facing Kentucky.

His tenure in the Ky. Legislature has involved being a former member of the Appropriations & Revenue committee and he strived to help rural Kentucky. He served as Budget Chair for Tourism and Rural Development. He pointed out a number of major economic development and higher education projects that he help fund in Jefferson County. He is a member of the Ky. House Democratic leadership and was Majority Leader for thirteen and one-half years.

He reviewed significant areas in economic development and research where Ky. is leading the nation or in the top five of states in various sectors. He reviewed the current pension problem in Kentucky and its threat to continued expansion of current economic development success.

The proposed Special Session to review HB358, and its pension plan, needs to be done in a bipartisan manner or it will not be successful.

He stated that modernization of the Ky. Transportation Plan is critical to the future economic growth of Kentucky in alignment with future job growth and opportunities. The road plan rate was frozen in the 2014 Legislative Session and needs to be increased. This also places a priority of the success of education at all levels. These two areas are critical in the next four years to Ky.'s growth.

He reminded attendees that he is a candidate in the Democratic Primary this May for Governor with his running mate for Lt. Governor, Steph Horne. He reviewed the goals of his campaign and tenure when elected Governor. Questions and answers followed.

Mayor Jung thanked Rep. Adkins for his appearance.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Commissioner Mary Rose Evans
Secretary