



TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY
Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting
September 12, 2023, 6:00 PM
Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor JT Smith
Vice Mayor Gerald Greer
Councilman Tim Adkins
Councilman Chris Kerrigan
Councilman Michael Smith
Councilman Kevin Thompson
Councilman Tony Young

PLEDGE AND PRAYER

Councilman Adkins led the Pledge of Allegiance of the United States of America and the prayer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greer, Seconded by Councilman Thompson, to approve the agenda with changes. All approved by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. August 8, 2023, City Council Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the August 8, 2023, City Council Meeting Minutes. All approved by voice vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

Amanda Bell invited everyone to the Imagination Library party. All proceeds go to the Imagination Library.

Travis Yates from Louisville, KY; spoke about the BrookHollow project for senior living.

Josh Hooper from Louisville, KY; spoke on the financial need for the BrookHollow project.

REPORTS

2. Attorney

Emailed council about the one suit has been dismissed.

OLD BUSINESS

3. Ordinance: City Administrator Job Description

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 1 OF THE ASHLAND CITY MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING CHAPTER 5 CREATING THE POSITION OF CITY ADMINISTRATOR A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greer, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan to approve ordinance without changes. Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Adkins, and Councilman Young Voting Nea: Councilman Thompson, Councilman Smith, and Mayor Smith.

4. Facebook Page: Parks Board

This will be added to item number 7.

5. Beautification Project: Amanda Bell

Leslie Wakefield spoke about the next steps in the beautification project. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer to have the Public Works look at the trees, measure and make recommendations as to which ones need to be removed by next workshop meeting. Voting Yea: Councilman Kerrigan, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Smith, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith.

NEW BUSINESS

6. Ordinance: AMEND TITLE 8, CHAPTER 2: BEER

AN ORDINANCE BY THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE TO AMEND TITLE 8, CHAPTER 2: BEER Ms. Noe discussed the definition changes from the state. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Councilman Young to approve this ordinance. Voting Yea: Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Young, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Smith, Councilman Adkins, and Mayor Smith.

7. Seasonal Employee: Event Planning Coordinator Job Description Discussion

Ms. Bowman discussed the need to change the Farmers Market Manager to Event Planning coordinator. A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Smith to approve the position title change and total hours increase. Voting Yea: Councilman Thompson, Councilman Smith, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Young, Vice Mayor Greer, and Mayor Smith. Voting Nea: Councilman Adkins.

8. Resolution: Update Pay Table - Seasonal Employee

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY UPDATING THE WAGE AND SALARY POLICY: PAYTABLE GOVERNING EMPLOYMENT WITH THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY Ms. Bowman discussed the changes to the pay time position titles. A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the resolution. Voting Yea: Councilman Thompson, Councilman Smith, Councilman Kerrigan, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith. Voting Nea: Councilman Adkins,

9. Resolution: BlueCross Healthy Place Project Grant

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE TO PARTICIPATE IN BLUECROSS HEALTHY PLACE PROJECTS GRANT FUNDING PROGRAM A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greer, Seconded by Councilman Thompson, to approve the resolution. Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith.

10. Cheatham County Public Library Agreement

Ms. Bowman discussed the yearly agreement with the county. A motion was made by Councilman Young, Seconded by Councilman Thompson, to approve the agreement. Voting Yea: Councilman Young, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Adkins, and Mayor Smith

11. Stratus Agreement: Senior Center

Ms. Batts discussed the agreement. A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the agreement. Voting Yea: Councilman Thompson, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Smith, Councilman Young, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Adkins, and Mayor Smith

12. Flood Emergency Response Plan: Wastewater Treatment Plant

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE, TO ADOPT A FLOOD EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN. Ms. Noe discussed the plan. A motion was made by Councilman Young, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to defer the agreement. Voting Yea: Councilman Young, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, and Mayor Smith

13. Cheatham County Central High School Homecoming Bon-Fire Donation

A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the donation. Voting Yea: Councilman Thompson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Young, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, and Mayor Smith

14. Banner Discussion

Mayor and council discussed options of how to advertise events and where to post signs. Mr. Nicholson reminded the council of the banner rules. A motion was made by Councilman Smith, Seconded by Councilman Thompson, to defer a decision. Voting Yea: Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Young, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, and Mayor Smith

15. Kiwanis Literacy Program "Story Book Trail" Discussion

A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the program. Voting Yea: Councilman Kerrigan, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Smith, Councilman Young, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Adkins, and Mayor Smith

16. Ordinance: Budget Amendment #2 - Drug Fund

AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TO ACCEPT A BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE 21/22 FISCAL YEAR A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the ordinance. Voting Yea: Councilman Thompson, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith

17. Resolution: Beacon Properties Discussion - Tax Abatement

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE TO VOICE THEIR OPPOSITION OF THE PROPOSED PILOT PROGRAM AND TAX ABATEMENT FOR BROOKHOLLOW SENIOR APARTMENTS, LP Ms. Noe discussed the resolution details. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the resolution. Voting Yea: Councilman Kerrigan, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Smith, Councilman Adkins, and Councilman Young. Voting Nea: Mayor Smith.

18. Resolution: Livestream Meetings

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE TO LIVE STREAM MEETINGS. A motion was made by Councilman Young, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the resolution. Voting Yea: Councilman Young, Councilman Kerrigan, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Smith, Councilman Adkins, and Mayor Smith.

19. Stratus Agreement: Fire Station 1

A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the agreement. Voting Yea: Councilman Thompson, Councilman Smith, Councilman Young, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Adkins, and Mayor Smith

20. US Geological Survey Agreement

A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the agreement. Voting Yea: Councilman Thompson, Councilman Smith, Councilman Young, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Adkins, and Mayor Smith

SURPLUS PROPERTY NOMINATIONS

21. 1995 Chevy S-10 - Public Works

A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to surplus this item. Voting Yea: Councilman Thompson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith.

EXPENDITURE REQUESTS

22. Request to Bid Paving 2023 – 2024

A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve request to bid. Voting Yea: Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith.

23. Paving Back Parking Lot at 233 TN Waltz Parkway

A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Young, to approve request to bid. Voting Yea: Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young, Councilman Smith, Councilman Kerrigan, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, and Mayor Smith.

OTHER

24. Christmas Parade

Ms. Black announced the winning parade theme. The public voted most for "Christmas Around the World."

25. City Recorder Position

Ms. Black stated the candidates selected for interview on September 19, 2023, are no longer interested in the position. There have been two applications with resumes submitted. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Councilman Thompson, to cancel special called meeting and interview the others at the end of the next workshop meeting. Voting Yea: Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young, Councilman Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, and Mayor Smith.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to adjourn the meeting. All approved by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

MAYOR JT SMITH

INTERIM CITY RECORDER