



## TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY

### Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting

### October 11, 2022 7:00 PM

### Minutes

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT

Mayor JT Smith

Vice Mayor Gerald Greer

Councilman Chris Kerrigan

Councilman Michael Smith

Councilman Kevin Thompson

Councilman Tony Young

ABSENT

Councilman Tim Adkins

#### **PLEDGE AND PRAYER**

Councilman Thompson led the Pledge of Allegiance of the United States of American and the prayer.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor Smith stated that he would like to add two items to the agenda, a Resolution for the Serving Seniors Grant, and the Special Olympics Polar Plunge. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the agenda with the changes stated. All approved by voice vote.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. August 23, 2022 Special Called Council Meeting Minutes
2. September 13, 2022 City Council Meeting Minutes

Vice Mayor Greer stated that he wanted to make sure that the record states one of the qualifications for the Planning and Future Growth Committee is that the applicant must be able to vote in Ashland City when discussed at the August 23, 2022 Special Called Council Meeting. Councilman Kerrigan stated that he wanted the minutes to reflect that the council and planning commission would be members of this board along with two (2) citizens from each ward.

A motion was made by Councilman Smith, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the August 23, 2022 Special Called Council Meeting minutes and the September 13, 2022 City Council Meeting minutes with the changes as stated. All approved by voice vote.

#### **PUBLIC FORUM**

**Patsy Smiley** - Ms. Smiley stated that she just wanted to give an update regarding 104 Adkisson. She stated that everything has been removed and all is put to bed. Ms. Smiley stated that each council member received a spreadsheet of the costs incurred. She thanked them all for their time.

#### **INTERVIEWS**

3. Planning and Future Growth Application Review  
At this time, interviews were conducted for the Planning and Future Growth Committee.

The applicants were as follows: Valerie Kemp (Ward 1), Joseph Preciado (Ward 1), Stephanie Fox (Ward 1), Sierra Knaus (Ward 2), Michael Cooke (Ward 2), Amy Perkins (Ward 2), Micah Ferebee (Ward 2), Amanda Bell (Ward 3), Thomas Taylor (Ward 3), Leslie Wakefield (Ward 3). Mayor Smith opened the floor for nominations of the Ward 1 candidates. Councilman Smith nominated Ms. Kemp. Councilman Greer nominated Mr. Preciado. Councilman Kerrigan

nominated Ms. Fox. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to cease nominations. All approved by voice vote.

Voting for Ms. Kemp

Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.

Voting for Ms. Fox

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith

Voting Nay: Mayor Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.

Voting for Mr. Preciado

Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.

Ms. Valerie Kemp and Mr. Joseph Preciado will represent Ward 1.

Mayor Smith opened the floor for nominations of the Ward 2 candidates. Councilman Smith nominated Ms. Perkins. Councilman Kerrigan nominated Ms. Knaus. Vice Mayor Greer nominated Mr. Cooke. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to cease nominations. All approved by voice vote.

Voting for Mr. Cooke

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Young

Voting Nay: Mayor Smith, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson.

Voting for Ms. Perkins

Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.

Voting for Ms. Knaus

Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.

Ms. Amy Perkins and Ms. Sierra Knaus will represent Ward 2.

Mayor Smith opened the floor for nominations of the Ward 3 candidates. Councilman Smith nominated Ms. Bell. Councilman Kerrigan nominated Ms. Wakefield. Councilman Thompson nominated Mr. Taylor. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Councilman Thompson, to cease nominations. All approved by voice vote.

Voting Mr. Taylor

Voting Yea: Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young

Voting Nay: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith

Voting Ms. Wakefield

Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.

Voting Ms. Bell

Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.

Ms. Leslie Wakefield and Ms. Amanda Bell will represent Ward 3.

## **REPORTS**

### 4. City Attorney

None.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

5. Industrial Sewer Contract  
Ms. Bowman stated that we will be keeping the contract the same at ten percent (10%). A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the contract. Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.
6. Skyview Drive  
Councilman Kerrigan stated that there isn't anything to vote on. He stated that it was discussed at workshop and the connection dates back to the 1970's. Councilman Kerrigan stated that speed bumps are more of a headache, and we need to look at more police presence, if that does not work then look at it again. He stated that the issue is not people cutting through, it is the current residents speeding. No movement was made.
7. Memorial Dedications Policy  
Ms. Martin stated that this is a policy she worked on with Jennifer and changed a few things in it to mirror the prices Clarksville has. She asked that the council defer this to next month so that they could review it and decide if they want to change or add anything. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to defer this policy to the next workshop. All approved by voice vote.
8. Ordinance: General Sessions Term Date  
Ms. Noe stated that this is a dead date for General Sessions, and everything should be addressed by June of 2024. Councilman Kerrigan asked to add a statement on collections. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greer, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the Ordinance with the addition. Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.
9. Ordinance: Modify Title 7, Chapter 6 Fireworks  
Ms. Noe stated that she added a provision on discharge, and it allows the same dates for discharge as sells. Vice Mayor Greer stated that it does not get dark until 9:30 in the summer. Chief Walker stated that he would like a drought provision. After much discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to defer to the next meeting. All approved by voice vote.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

10. West Elm St Reimbursement Discussion  
Ms. Noe stated that all case law remains on the side of the City. Councilman Smith stated that he understands the City is not required to reimburse and it could set a precedence, but he would like to give her something back. A motion was made by Councilman Thompson to defer to the next meeting. A motion was made by Councilman Smith to reimburse the amount spent on labor, which would be \$2200.00, if accurate. Councilman Thompson withdrew his motion. No movement was made.
11. Noise Ordinance Discussion  
A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to defer to next month. All approved by voice vote.
12. Parking in Town Discussion  
A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to defer to next month. All approved by voice vote.
13. Hiring of Farrar and Bates  
Ms. Noe stated that this would be for the Hidden Lakes appeal. She stated that the \$100,000.00 maximum for attorneys has been spent already and to continue, they attorney would want to be compensated. Ms. Noe stated that she did not mind continuing on her own if need be, but she would like to continue as lead and have their assistance. She stated that Mr. Ross Smith agreed to continue for \$220.00/hour and the council could put a cap on it if they wanted. After much discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to hire Farrar and Bates to assist with a limit of 50 hours. Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.

14. US Geological Joint Funding Agreement

Chief Walker stated that this is for the river gauge for flooding events. He stated it is split with the county. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greer, Seconded by Councilman Thompson, to approve the agreement. Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.

**SURPLUS PROPERTY NOMINATIONS**

15. Weapons from PD

Chief Ray stated that this is the weapons donated to us by Walmart and they would like to donate them to the Chief's Association to help fund scholarships.

**EXPENDITURE REQUESTS**

None.

**OTHER**

16. Resolution: Serving Seniors

Mayor Smith stated that this is a resolution to participate in the Serving Seniors Grant. A motion was made by Councilman Young, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the Resolution. Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.

17. Special Olympics Polar Plunge

Mayor Smith stated that Ms. Lori Armstrong reached about hosting the Polar Plunge for Special Olympics. He stated they are looking at January 14, 2023 or January 21, 2023 and there would be no cost to the City. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greer, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to host the Polar Plunge. Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.

18. Planning and Future Growth Committee Meeting

Councilman Smith asked about the first meeting. Ms. Noe stated we should schedule when Mr. Nicholson returns. Councilman Kerrigan asked for a date in November. After much discussion, a meeting was set for November 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

**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 8:18 p.m.

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MAYOR JT SMITH

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CITY RECORDER ALICIA MARTIN, CMFO