

# TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting January 12, 2021 6:00 PM Minutes

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Allen called the meeting to order at 6:48 p.m. stating, "I am Steven Allen, Mayor for the Town of Ashland City, and I hereby call to order the January 12, 2021 City Council Meeting of the Town of Ashland City. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and in accordance with Governor Bill Lee's Executive Order, this meeting is being conducted with limited physical public access. The meeting is being made available however to public via live video stream on the Zoom application. The meeting is being done by electronic means to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of the City's citizens in light of the COVID-19 pandemic."

#### **ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT** 

Mayor Steve Allen

Vice Mayor Daniel Anderson

Councilman Tim Adkins (having connectivity issues Councilman Adkins joined the meeting during the Alley Abandonment discussion)

Councilman Gerald Greer

Councilman Roger Jackson

Councilman Chris Kerrigan

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Greer, to approve the agenda. All approved by voice vote.

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

December 8, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes
 A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the December 8, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes as written. All approved by voice vote.

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

None.

#### **REPORTS**

2. City Attorney

Ms. Noe stated she doesn't have anything that isn't already on the agenda.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

3. Council Vacancy Discussion

Mayor stated the four candidates are on the line and if anyone wants to ask questions they are welcome to do so at this time. Councilman Greer stated he does not have any questions, but he would like to make a motion to nominate Vivian Foston for the vacant council position. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jackson. Voting Yea: Councilman Greer, Jackson. Nay: Kerrigan, Anderson. Mayor questioned if this vote can be taken up when Councilman Adkins can get reconnected. Ms. Noe responded yes. Vice Mayor Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, made to move this discussion until Councilman Adkins is able to reconnect to the meeting. Councilman Greer, as well as Councilman Jackson, retracted his original motion and stated he is willing to pass their motion until Councilman Adkins can get

reconnected. All approved by voice vote to discuss this topic after Councilman Atkins reconnects to the meeting.

This discussion continued concluding the Alley Abandonment Resolution.

A motion was made by Councilman Greer, seconded by Councilman Jackson, to appoint Vivian Foston to the Ward One Council position. Voting Yea: Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson Voting Nay: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Kerrigan. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Greer, to appoint JT Smith to the vacant Council position. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer Voting Nay: Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan.

Mayor thanked everyone for applying for the position and stated it was a tough decision. Ms. Noe stated they will be sworn in at the February Workshop Meeting.

- 4. Resolution: Alley Abandonment
  - A RESOLUTION BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY TO ABANDON AN ALLEY LOCATED BETWEEN THE BUILDINGS LOCATED AT 575 SOUTH MAIN STREET MAP 055F GROUP D PARCEL 001.00 AND 106 DUKE STREET MAP 055F GROUP D PARCEL 002.00 IN ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE. Ms. Noe stated this is the property that is formerly Community Bank and Trust and is now Reliant Bank. Further, they were given an air easement, but Reliant has requested the abandonment since taking ownership. In addition, this was taken up by council years ago and there was some opposition by the adjoining land owner; however, proper notice has been given. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Greer, to approve the Resolution for the Alley Abandonment. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan. Immediately following the vote Councilman Adkins was able to reconnect the meeting by audio only and took up the Council Vacancy.
- 5. Resolution: Updating 2020-10 Families First Coronavirus Response Act Ms. Noe stated at the December meeting the Council voted to extend this for sixty (60) days and it has not been extended by the federal government did not extend this act. Further, this will automatically terminate in March and she just wanted to let everyone know this information.
- 6. Ordinance: Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget Amendment #3 AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TO ACCEPT A BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE 20/21 FISCAL YEAR. Mayor stated this is for second and final reading. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Adkins, to approve the Ordinance to accept a Budget Amendment. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

- 7. Carnival contract for Summerfest 2021
  - Mr. Scott Sampson stated this is the contract to the contract for Amusement Attractions and there were a few changes recommended by Ms. Noe. Ms. Noe stated the information that was deleted really doesn't pertain to us. She further reviewed the changes she recommends. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the Amusement Attractions Carnival Contract with the recommended changes. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan.
- 8. Kimley-Horn Bicentennial Trail Extension Agreement
  Ms. Noe stated this was previously approved but the contract was not presented at that
  time. Further, this is more of a formality to approve the contract as we have already appointed
  Kimley Horn. She further discussed the change she made to the agreement. A motion was
  made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the Kimley-Horn
  Bicentennial Trail Extension Agreement with the changes. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor
  Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan.
- 9. Contract for Farmer's Market Manager Mr. Sampson stated this is the contract for a market manager to run the Farmer's Market this Summer. Ms. Noe stated the agreement is fine. Councilman Adkins questioned if we are required to advertise. Ms. Reed responded we will advertise the position. Vice Mayor

Anderson clarified this is to approve the cost and the contract. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the contract for the Farmer's Market Manager position. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan.

- 10. Resolution: Community Development Block Grant
  - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM. Ms. Reed stated this is the grant we are appling for to replace half of the sewer lift stations. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the Resolution for the Community Development Block Grant Program. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan.
- 11. Ordinance: Rezone Request PO-PUD to R-4PUD: Highway 12 Map 64 Parcel 11.01 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE, BY REZONING PARCEL 11.01 OF CHEATHAM COUNTY TAX MAP 64, LOCATED ON HIGHWAY 12 SOUTH AND CALDWELL ROAD. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Adkins, to approve the Rezoning Ordinance. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Kerrigan Voting Nay: Councilman Jackson.
- 12. Ordinance: Rezone Request C-2 to R-3: 119 Vine Street Map 049 N B Parcel 1.00

  AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE, BY REZONING PARCEL 001.00 OF CHEATHAM COUNTY TAX MAP 049N GROUP B, LOCATED AT 116 WASHINGTON STREET. Ms. Reed stated she amended the heading of the resolution to reflect the address change to the property. Councilman Jackson questioned what the difference is in what is currently and what it is going to. Ms. Reed stated that is currently a C-2 zoning and she discussed the permitted uses. She further stated the City Planner recommended this change to make things clear down the road for financing purposes and such. Vice Mayor Anderson stated the other side of the property is zoned residential. A motion was made by Councilman Adkins, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the Rezoning Ordinance. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan.
- 13. Benefit Inc: ACA Reporting Agreement
  Ms. Noe stated she added some verbiage to the contract. Ms. Reed stated this is for the 1095
  healthcare tax reporting. She stated the broker will handle this reporting once the agreement is
  approved. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to
  approve the ACA Reporting Agreement. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson,
  Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan.

## **OTHER**

Mayor stated it has been a busy week since last week. Mayor stated the city offices have been closed to the public. Further, we contacted a company to do an air quality study to determine what the issue is. Ms. Bowman stated the calls are being answered and payments can be made to the drop box. Business has continued and the goal is to start greeting the public at the Public Works Building on Thursday.

Vice Mayor Anderson questioned the incidents that occurred at Midnight Lounge and further stated it would be something he would like to discuss at the next work session to see what we can do in regard to codes and such.

Mayor discussed the development of the park property and said he is looking into what it will cost to move forward with the development.

Mayor stated he knows there are probably some complaints about the new traffic lights as well, but he asked everyone to bear with it.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Greer, to adjourn the meeting. All approved by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

MAYOR	STEVE A	LLEN	

CITY RECORDER KELLIE REED, CMFO, CMC