



## TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY

### Regularly Scheduled Workshop Meeting

### January 09, 2024 6:00 PM

### Minutes

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 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

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. December 5, 2023, Workshop Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Councilman Smith, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the December 5, 2023, City Council Meeting Minutes. All approved by voice vote.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

2. *Procedure for Speaking Before the Council*

None.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

3. Attorney

Ms. Noe had no updates other than items on the agenda.

4. Project Update from Josh Wright

Mr. Wright gave an update on all proposed projects.

5. Codes Department

Mr. Nicholson was absent.

6. Court Department

Ms. Hollingsworth was absent.

7. Finance Department

Ms. Bowman emailed the finance report showing revenues versus expenses, fund balance and cash on hand and gave an update on finance department.

8. Fire Department

Chief Walker discussed fire activity over the past month.

9. Human Resources

Ms. Black discussed the items happening in human resources.

10. Parks Department

Mr. Clark gave an update on the parks, sports, and events.

11. Police Department

Chief Ray emailed a report to the council and gave an update from the police department.

12. Public Utilities/Works

Mr. Biggers gave an update on streets, water, and sewer services.

13. Technology Department

Mr. Wheeler discussed accomplished items over the past month.

14. Senior Department

Ms. Batts gave an update on the senior department.

15. Strategic Plan Review

Ms. Bowman gave an update on the strategic plan review.

**OLD BUSINESS**

16. Ordinance: Amend Code of Ethics

Ms. Noe discussed the changes to this ordinance.

17. Corp of Engineers Contract

Mr. Clark requested this item be deferred.

18. Senior Center Dance Lease

Ms. Batts discussed the new lease for dances.

**NEW BUSINESS**

19. TN Law Enforcement Training Academy Grant Contract

Chief Walker discussed this new grant pay back for officers going to training.

20. Cash Saver Wine Compliance Certificate

Ms. Black discussed the reason that Cash Saver has been asked to resubmit for the certificate.

21. Farmers Market Application Fees & Rules

Mr. Clark request to revise the fee for the year based on surrounding areas.

22. Summerfest Vendor Application Fees & Rules

Mr. Clark requests to revise the fee to charge for electricity and water.

**SURPLUS PROPERTY NOMINATIONS**

None.

**EXPENDITURE REQUESTS**

None.

**OTHER**

23. City Recorder Interviews

Ms. Noe and the Council discussed the previous interview.

24. Mayor received a letter from former Mayor Johnson requesting changes to Stratton Blvd, due to danger to citizens. The street needs lights, curbs and guttering to protect the walkers. Vice Mayor Greer added the importance of getting the sidewalks down main street due to 1 resident

who must go into road to travel, and it is dangerous. Mayor commented we have a grant for this and hope to see if completed soon.

25. Election Discussion

Ms. Noe discussed the opinion of MTAS. They gave options and the board ruled out 1 and 2. The 3<sup>rd</sup> one will require the election office to make a change. Would like a motion next week to be passed on to the election committee and state.

26. City Hall Land Adjacent

Chief Walker discussed a lot for sale by owner next to the future home of the new City Hall.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greer, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to adjourn the meeting. All approved by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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MAYOR JT SMITH

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INTERIM CITY RECORDER