



TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY

Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting

May 09, 2023, 6:00 PM

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 6:03 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 Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the agenda. All approved by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. April 11, 2023, Council Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greer, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the April 11, 2023, City Council Meeting Minutes with changes. All approved by voice vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

Holly Spann requested it be added to the public record that Mr. Hadley Williams will turn 90 this week. She would like for all to wish him a Happy Birthday and he agrees that Ashland City is a great place to call home.

Jody & Ginger Vann presented the council with a token from Bruce's Buddies in appreciation for the Special Needs night at Summerfest. This year we have special ed teachers and behavior therapist who will be volunteering to help.

REPORTS

2. Attorney

Ms. Noe discussed legislative changes. Public speaking can be limited to a set number of speakers and length of time. Chapter 213 states the agenda should be made available to the public 48 hours prior to the meeting. The agenda can be amended at the meeting. Also need an attorney/client meeting at the end.

OLD BUSINESS

3. Ordinance: Budget Amendment #2

AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TO ACCEPT A BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE 22/23 FISCAL YEAR A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greer, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the ordinance. Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Smith, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith.

NEW BUSINESS

4. Servline Master Meter Agreement
A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the agreement. Voting Yea: Councilman Kerrigan, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Smith, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith.
5. At Home Realty - 0 Jasmine Row Master Meter Leak
A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the adjustment. Voting Yea: Councilman Kerrigan, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Smith, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith.
6. Amendment #23-3 GNRC Contract 2326-05
A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the amendment. Voting Yea: Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith.
7. Sunbelt Rentals 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 Adkins, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith.
8. Resolution: To Ratify Changes to the Charter
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE TO RATIFY 113TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY HOUSE BILL 1557 AND SENATE BILL 1557 AND APPROVE THE CHANGES AS THE OFFICIAL CHARTER. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the resolution. Voting Yea: Councilman Kerrigan, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Smith, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith.
9. Ordinance: Adopting the Annual Budget and Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2024 A motion was made by Councilman Smith, Seconded by Councilman Thompson, to approve the ordinance. Voting Yea: Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith.
10. Ordinance: Amend Title 18, Chapter 1 Section 18-107(1) Water and Sewer Rates
AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE TO AMEND TITLE 18, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 18-107(1) OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE REGULATING WATER AND SEWER RATES FOR THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY AND ALL AREAS SURROUNDING THE CITY THAT RECEIVE WATER AND/OR SEWER SERVICE FROM THE ASHLAND CITY WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the ordinance with changes to leak adjustments. Voting Yea: Councilman Kerrigan, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Smith, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith.
11. Ordinance: Amend Title 8, Chapter 2: Beer
AN ORDINANCE BY THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE TO AMEND TITLE 8, CHAPTER 2: BEER A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the ordinance with changes and a special called meeting for the 2nd reading on May 16, 2023. Voting Yea: Councilman Thompson, Councilman Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith. Voting Nay: Councilman Adkins.
12. Employee Benefits - Insurance Selection
Ms. Bowman discussed the decision to move from BCBS to Cigna. The council requested department heads talk to employees to determine what they would like to do. The decision has been deferred until the special called meeting and will be contingent on attorney approval of contract. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Councilman Thompson, to approve the defer of decision until May 16, 2023, special called meeting. All approved by voice vote.

SURPLUS PROPERTY NOMINATIONS

13. Surplus Fire Items

A motion was made by Council Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the surplus of 7-8 Battery operated chainsaws. All approved by voice vote.

14. Surplus Item: Senior - Projector Screen

A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the surplus of a projector screen. All approved by voice vote.

EXPENDITURE REQUESTS

15. Request to bid Chemicals.

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

OTHER

Mr. Adkins questioned the one county fire tax that the county is proposing. Chief Walker stated this would mean more funding for the city.

Attorney/Client meeting began at 6:42 p.m. and returned to meeting at 6:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to adjourn the meeting. All approved by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

MAYOR JT SMITH

INTERIM CITY RECORDER