



TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY
Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting
July 13, 2021 6:00 PM
Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Allen called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Steve Allen
Vice Mayor Daniel Anderson
Councilman Tim Adkins
Councilman Roger Jackson
Councilman Chris Kerrigan
Councilman JT Smith

ABSENT

Councilman Gerald Greer

PLEDGE AND PRAYER

Councilman Adkins led the prayer and pledge.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the agenda with changes. All approved by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. July 6, 2021 Special Called Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, seconded by Councilman Adkins, to approve the July 6, 2021 Special Called Meeting Minutes. All approved by voice vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

Ms. Sierra Knaus stated that she was speaking on behalf of the Cheatham County Master Gardeners. She stated that they were wanting to plant a tree at Riverbluff Park in memory of two (2) of their members, Turner and Janice Potts. A motion was made by Councilman Adkins, seconded by Vice Mayor Anderson, to allow the planting of the tree.

REPORTS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

2. Caldwell Park

Mr. Scott Sampson stated that he had a meeting with Mr. Josh Wright and they came up with a general idea that they will present at the meeting in August. He stated he ordered two (2) generic signs that say Nature Park with arrows, they came in today and will go up sometime next week.

3. Ordinance Franchise Agreement: CEMC

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO GRANTEE, THE NON-EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO ERECT, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE IN, UNDER, OVER, ALONG, ACROSS THE STREETS, LANES, AVENUES, SIDEWALKS, ALLEYS, BRIDGES, HIGHWAYS, AND EASEMENTS DEDICATED FOR COMPATIBLE USES AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES IN THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE, AND THE SUBSEQUENT ADDITIONS THERETO, TOWERS, FIBERS, CABLES AND ANCILLARY FACILITIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING, OPERATING, MAINTAINING AND REPAIRING A CABLE SYSTEM, AS DEFINED HEREIN, FOR A PERIOD OF TEN (10) YEARS, REGULATING THE SAME AND PROVIDING

COMPENSATION TO THE CITY. Ms. Noe stated this was on last month's agenda but there were some changes requested. She stated that she asked for a shorter term on the contract, but CEMC wants to leave it at 10 years. She stated that she also asked for 15 days' notice prior to any work being done, but they could not offer that. Ms. Noe stated she spoke to Mr. Biggers and he seemed okay with that. Councilman Jackson asked if they could do three (3) years instead of ten (10). Ms. Noe stated that ten (10) years was the agreement. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan to approve the Ordinance without the requested changes. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith. Voting Nay: Councilman Jackson

NEW BUSINESS

4. **Appoint City Attorney**
A motion made was by Councilman Adkins, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to appoint Ms. Noe as City Attorney. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.
5. **Amendment to GNRC Grant Contract**
Ms. Gena Batts stated this was a continuation from last year's agreement. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Jackson, to approve the GNRC Contract. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.
6. **Planner Contract**
Chief Walker stated this is the same as last year's contract with Rick Gregory. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the contract. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.
7. **Comprehensive Plan by Josh Wright**
Councilman Jackson asked if Mayor Allen would explain the Comprehensive Plan. Mayor Allen stated that it was a plan for them to proceed with what the City would like to do with the park. He stated that we needed the plan so that Mr. Sampson could apply for more grants. Councilman Adkins asked if this was already included in the budget. Mr. Sampson stated that it was. Ms. Noe stated that it would consist of fifteen (15) visits to each site and approximately forty-five (45) meetings. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Adkins, to approve the comprehensive plan. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.
8. **Tyler Incode 10 for Court**
Ms. Justice Kokoski stated that this was to upgrade from Incode 9 to Incode 10. A motion was made by Councilman Adkins, seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the agreement. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.
9. **Hold Harmless Agreement for Firearms**
Chief Ray stated that this was a Hold Harmless Agreement from Walmart for the guns donated to us for the Chief's Association. A motion was made by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the agreement. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.
10. **Tyler Incode 10 Project Accounting**
Ms. Bowman stated this was an agreement that would add a module to help track contracts, grants, and a capital budget. A motion was made by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.
11. **2022 Local Government DA Grant**
Ms. Bowman stated that this was the agreement to accept the money from the State. She stated we had to accept it first and then we would amend the budget to appropriate the money. A motion was made by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the agreement. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.

12. Ordinance: Amending Ordinance #551 Title 12, Chapter 1, Section 12-101
AN ORDINANCE BY THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE AMENDING ORDINANCE #551 TITLE 12, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 12-101. Mr. Jason McClain stated that this was basically just copying what the State adopted. A motion was made by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to amend Ordinance #551. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.

13. Resolution: Authorizing Check Signers
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE AUTHORIZING SIGNERS TO ALL BANK ACCOUNTS. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the Resolution. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.

14. Resolution: City Hall Loan
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE INCURRENCE OF INDEBTEDNESS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A PORTION OF THE COST OF ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING, ENLARGING, IMPROVING, AND/OR EXTENDING ITS NEW CITY HALL FACILITY TO SERVE AN AREA LAWFULLY WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION TO SERVE. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the Resolution. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.

SURPLUS PROPERTY NOMINATIONS

15. 2001 Dodge 2500 Truck

16. 2 Weapons

Mr. Biggers stated this truck was broke down more than it runs. Chief Ray stated these were the two (2) weapons being donated for the Chief's Association. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve items for surplus.

Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.

EXPENDITURE REQUESTS

17. Request to bid concrete work for playground at Fire Hall 2.

Mr. Sampson stated that this was a request to bid out the concrete work. A motion was made by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Vice Mayor Anderson, to approve the request to bid. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.

18. Request to bid fencing at the tennis courts.

Mr. Sampson stated that this was a request to bid out the fencing at the tennis courts. A motion was made by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the request to bid. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Vice Mayor Anderson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.

OTHER

Mr. Scott Sampson gave the council a quote to put a cover over Riverbluff Park. He stated the quote was good for seven (7) days and the total was \$83,704.32. Councilman Jackson asked if we could get metal posts. Mr. Sampson stated he would check on that.

Ms. Justice-Kokoski stated that she could answer questions on the court audit. Mayor Allen stated that he would ask the auditor to come to the next workshop meeting. Councilman Jackson stated that he would like to get the Tyler upgrade and give it a year and see what the reports look like then.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.