

# City Commission Meeting Study Session Minutes

Thursday, January 16, 2025 at 6:00 PM

The Tom Hardin Room – 100 Public Square, Mount Pleasant, TN

## 1. Call to Order

Mayor White called the meeting to order.

## 2. Roll Call

Those in attendance were Mayor Bill White, Vice Mayor Willie Alderson, Commissioner Mike Davis, Commissioner Pam Johnston and Commissioner Loree Knowles.

## 3. Awards/Presentations/Appointments

- A. Mayor's Appointments
  - 1. Mount Pleasant Beer Board
  - 2. Mount Pleasant Recreation Commission

### 4. Completion / Review of Unfinished Business from prior meeting

Mayor White gave a short report. He stated he and Commissioner Alderson spent the biggest part of today with the Maury Alliance and Leadership Maury. It was a great day for Mount Pleasant. They started at The Well and ended at South Central Tennessee Development District. Travis gave a great presentation on Economic Development.

### 5. Monthly report from City Manager

Mr. Grooms had no report.

### 6. Special reports from other City Departments or Committees if applicable

A. Wastewater Liaison Report - Barge Design Monthly Report

Mr. Grooms stated he would have a report for them on Tuesday night. They are still optimistic that substantial completion will be at the end of this month.

B. Mount Pleasant Gas System Report

Mr. Grooms stated he would have a full report for them at the meeting on Tuesday night.

### 7. New Business

### (Comments from citizens may or may not be included, dependent on the issues.)

A. Ordinance 2025-1129 - An Ordinance to amend Ordinance 2024-1125 said ordinance appropriating the revenues and expenses of operating and maintaining the departmental functions of the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025; providing an effective date.

Mrs. Cox stated this would be the mid-year budget amendment that they do every year. She stated she would go over it more on Tuesday. She did discuss a few items with them.

Commissioners discussed. No action taken. For more details refer to the audio/video recording attached to the agenda.

B. Ordinance 2025-1130 - An Ordinance regarding Magnolia Drive Rezoning.

Mrs. Jones stated the purpose of this ordinance is to rezone property on Magnolia Drive from Light Industrial to High Density Residential. The Planning Commission held a public hearing and then recommended this rezone. The Planning Commission found that this location would support the zoning of high density residential because adjacent lots are already zoned R3 and Light Industrial, so they are equal to or greater zoning. For those reasons there will not be a negative effect on adjoining landowners. The Planning Commission passed a resolution with the worksheet and comments attached, which will be in your packet. You will have the worksheet for your findings of fact and considerations. There will be a public hearing on the second reading.

Commissioners discussed. No action taken. For more details refer to the audio/video recording attached to the agenda.

C. Resolution 2025-1 - A Resolution by the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee declaring certain City of Mount Pleasant inventory as surplus property and authorizing the sale of this surplus property.

Mr. Grooms stated these surplus items are two Dodge Chargers from the Police Department and one Ford F150 from the Utility Department.

Commissioners discussed. No action taken. For more details refer to the audio/video recording attached to the agenda.

D. Resolution 2025-2 - A Resolution to apply for USDA Grant Funding.

Mr. Grooms stated this is with CEC. They approved a bond issue a while back for the Skid Filter System at the Water Treatment Plant. After talking to Rickey, he thinks we can get USDA funding a 75% loan and 25% grant. They do not know the dollar price on there yet. They will go through the application process to apply for the funding and grant.

Commissioners discussed. No action taken. For more details refer to the audio/video recording attached to the agenda.

E. Resolution 2025-3 - A Resolution for Skid - CEC - Ricky Oakley.

Mr. Grooms stated this kind of ties to the resolution to apply. We are already in an engineering agreement with CEC, but with the strings attached with USDA and grant funding you have to do an environmental report. So, this resolution is \$30,000 added to the engineering agreement.

Commissioners discussed. No action taken. For more details refer to the audio/video recording attached to the agenda.

F. Audit Approval

Mr. Dan Hancock from Putman & Handcock was present at the meeting to discuss the audit report for approval with them.

Commissioners discussed. No action taken. For more details refer to the audio/video recording attached to the agenda.

G. Approval bid for E. Merchant Street Repairs.

Mr. Grooms stated we submitted this yesterday at 1:00 pm and no one submitted. We have reached out and he thinks it was something to do with the holiday schedule. Harness said they would get it in if we reopened it. Nickel, Inc. came out to look at it again, but they didn't submit. We are going to put it back out for bid, hopefully next month.

Commissioners discussed. No action taken. For more details refer to the audio/video recording attached to the agenda.

H. Downtown Project Change Order

Mr. Grooms stated they will have in their packets Friday a change order and he has Ted here if they want to get really into the details of the change order. Basically, the balance is \$134,000. When they did the utility lines the lines were not exactly where they said on GPS, so they had to go out into the street more. Mr. Grooms discussed these changes with them.

Commissioners discussed. No action taken. For more details refer to the audio/video recording attached to the agenda.

I. CT Form for Police & Fire Department Vehicle Leases.

Mrs. Cox stated the leases were done and they signed the lease paperwork about 30 or 40 days ago so, we have submitted the CT Form to the State. This is just an FYI type item. No voting or anything, it is just State rules once the debt is completely done and executed, she has to submit to them that we have officially signed the documentation.

No action taken. For more details refer to the audio/video recording attached to the agenda.

## 8. General comments from citizens (May be limited in time and/or number of comments.)

There were no citizen comments.

#### 9. Board / Staff Comments / Adjournment

Commissioner Davis stated he appreciated the

There being no further discussion Commissioner Davis made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Alderson. All were in favor. Motion passed.