

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MUNICIPAL MINUTES CITY OF TUPELO

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

MARCH 15, 2022

Be it remembered that a regular meeting of the Tupelo City Council was held in the Council Chambers in the City Hall building on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. with the following in attendance: Council Members Chad Mims, Lynn Bryan, Travis Beard, Nettie Davis, Buddy Palmer, Janet Gaston and Rosie Jones; Ben Logan, City Attorney and Missy Shelton, Clerk of the Council. Council Member Lynn Bryan gave the invocation, followed by the pledge of allegiance led by Council Member Nettie Davis.

Council President Buddy Palmer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

CONFIRMATION OR AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA AND AGENDA ORDER

Council Member Bryan moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to confirm the agenda and agenda order, as presented, with the following addition.

ADD: IN THE MATTER OF CONFIRMATION OF CVB BOARD APPOINTMENT

The vote was unanimous in favor.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION

Council Member Nettie Davis invited everyone to attend the NAACP event on Saturday at Gumtree Park.

Council Member Buddy Palmer gave a shout out to Fire Station #3 and Alan Estes, Jake Bennett and Bradly Bennett, for helping someone on Veteran's Blvd with a tire issue on Saturday. He said this was a good example of the Tupelo Spirit.

MAYOR'S REMARKS

Mayor Todd Jordan recently attended Tourism Day at the State Capitol. The City of Tupelo's CVB is admired all over the state, and Neal McCoy and Stephanie Coomer, as well as the other employees, do a tremendous job.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR DEMOLITIONS

No one appeared to speak at the public hearing for the demolition of the following properties:

922/924 Hadley Street (PN 112J-09-027-01)

5257 Purnell Road (PN 074V-20-050-00)

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR LOT MOWING RESOLUTIONS

No one appeared to speak concerning the Lot Mowing Resolutions for the following properties:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Case #</u>
Mordeicai Todd	1224 Central Ave	36334
Webb Dean and Jennifer Hankins	1507 Trace Ave	36336
GDA Investments LLC	107 Lakeview Dr	37362
Wallace Nelvin B & Gloria D	523 W Barnes St	37403
Robinson Angela	517 W Barnes St	37404
Hodge Hushel	901 N Madison St	37405
Swinea James (Lucille)	1502 Reed St	37445
Perkins Michael & Elizabeth A	2020 Lawndale Dr	37465
Barkers Village Inc	2615 W Main St	37474
Richardson Megan	3064 Moore Ave	37500
Dancer McCoy	3091 Moore Ave	37502
Sanders Sheila	536 Walker St	37514
Shelton Jimmy D Estate	1706 Tulip Rd	37533
Anglin Amanda	1307 W Main St	37553
Mahraan Properties LLC	113 Lawndale Dr	37556
Boyd Dennis W	1400 Central Ave	37560
Henson Sleep Relief Inc	816 Clayton Ave	37569
Johnson Dawn Elizabeth	1505 N Hillsdale Dr	38588
TTLBL LLC	2411 Danny St	38637

CITIZEN HEARING

YOLANDA GLASS-GILBERT

Yolanda Glass-Gilbert didn't attend the meeting.

VASILIOS "VOZ" KAPENAKAS

Voz Kapenekas didn't attend the meeting

REV. JEFFERY GLADNEY

Rev. Jeffery Gladney addressed the Council and asked that they show the live Council meetings on Comcast.

IN THE MATTER OF COUNCIL MINUTES MARCH 1, 2022

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Bryan, to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on March 1, 2022. The vote was unanimous in favor.

IN THE MATTER OF BILL PAY

Bills were reviewed at 4:30 p.m. by Council Members Travis Beard and Buddy Palmer. Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Bryan, to approve the payment of the checks, bills, claims and utility adjustments. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX A

IN THE MATTER OF ADVERTISING AND PROMOTIONAL ITEMS

Council Member Bryan moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to approve the advertising and promotional expenses, as presented. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX B

Council Member Gaston recused herself from the meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF RATIFICATION OF CREDIT CARD AGREEMENT WITH FISERV

Council Member Bryan moved to ratify FIServ credit card servicing agreements at the following locations:

- Tax Office
- Development Services
- TWL Collection Office (6)
- BancorpSouth Arena (6)
- Park & Rec
- Museum
- Aquatic Center
- Municipal Court
- CVB

Council Member Beard seconded and the vote was as follows:

- AYE Chad Mims
- AYE Lynn Bryan
- AYE Travis Beard
- AYE Nettie Davis
- AYE Buddy Palmer
- RECUSED Janet Gaston
- AYE Rosie Jones

APPENDIX C

Council Member Gaston rejoined the meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT OF KELLY ELLIOTT AS FIRE CHIEF

Council Member Bryan moved, seconded by Council Member Davis, to confirm the appointment of Kelly Elliott as Fire Chief, effective April 1, 2022. The vote was as follows:

AYE Chad Mims
AYE Lynn Bryan
AYE Travis Beard
AYE Nettie Davis
AYE Buddy Palmer
AYE Janet Gaston
NAY Rosie Jones

APPENDIX I

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT OF SYLVIA BLANCHARD TO POLICE ADVISORY BOARD

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Bryan, to confirm the appointment of Sylvia Blanchard to the Police Advisory Board. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX E

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT OF TOM BROWN TO ELVIS PRESLEY BIRTHPLACE

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Mims, to approve the appointment of Tom Brown to the Elvis Presley Birthplace Board. Council Member Palmer introduced Henry Dodge, who then introduced the members of the Board: Roy Turner, Billy Ford Waters, Greg Burks and Juanita Floyd. The vote was unanimous in favor of the appointment of Tom Brown to the Board. APPENDIX F

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF SUBMISSION OF FY22 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT – TPD

Grant Writer Abby Christian addressed the Council asking for approval of the submission of FY22 Homeland Security Grant for the Tupelo Police Department and allow the administration to execute any and all documents to pursue the grant. Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Mims, to approve the submission of the grant. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX G

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF SUBMISSION OF FY22 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT – EOD UNIT

Grant Writer Abby Christian addressed the Council asking for approval of the submission of FY22 Homeland Security Grant for the EOD Unit of the Tupelo Police Department and allow the administration to execute any and all documents to pursue the grant. Council Member Mims moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to approve the submission of the grant. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX H

IN THE MATTER OF SURPLUS AND DISPOSITION OF COURT ITEMS

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston to approve the list of surplus items and disposition as stated on the exhibit, submitted by Municipal Court, no longer needed for use by the City. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX I

IN THE MATTER OF PROPERTIES FOR DEMOLITION

Council Member Bryan moved, seconded by Council Member Beard to approve the following properties on the public hearing demolition list, which were in such condition to be a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community and in need of cleaning, as authorized by Miss. Code § 21-19-11 (1972) as amended:

922/924 Hadley Street (PN 112J-09-027-01)
5257 Purnell Road (PN 074V-20-050-00)

Council Member Bryan moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to suspend the rules and allow Demetra Sherer to speak concerning the Hadley Street property. The vote was unanimous in favor and Ms. Sherer addressed the Council asking them to delay the demolition until the family can take care of the property.

After Ms. Sherer spoke to the Council, President Palmer called for a vote on the motion of the approval of the demolition of the properties in question. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX J

IN THE MATTER OF REVIEW/APPROVE REAPPOINTMENT OF CHARLOTTE LODEN TO THE TUPELO MAJOR THOROUGHFARE PLAN CITIZENS LOBBYING AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Council Member Bryan moved, seconded by Council Member Mims, to re-appoint Ms. Charlotte Loden to the Tupelo Major Thoroughfare Committee representing Ward 2, effective March 15, 2022. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX K

IN THE MATTER OF REVIEW/APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF TERRI S. WILLIAMS TO THE TUPELO LICENSE COMMISSION

Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to confirm the appointment of Terri S. Williams to the Tupelo License Commission as the Design Professional representative for a four year term effective March 15, 2022. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX L

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF LOT MOWING RESOLUTIONS

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to adjudicate the following properties on the public hearing lot mowing list, which were in such a condition to be a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community and in need of mowing pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. 21-19-11 (1972) as amended, and to assess the amount as a lien on the real property. The vote was unanimous in favor.

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APPENDIX M

IN THE MATTER OF RATIFICATION OF CONTRACT FOR BID NUMBER 2021-039PD, TUPELO POLICE DEPARTMENT ELECTRIC GATE & ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS

On February 1, 2022, the Council approved the award of the low bid for Bid # 2021-039PD - Tupelo Police Department Electric Gate & Access Improvements to M & N Construction, LLC in the amount of \$92,492.00. Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Mims, to ratify the contract with M & N Construction, LLC. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX N

IN THE MATTER OF PURCHASING AGREEMENT BETWEEN AXON ENTERPRISE, INC. AND THE CITY OF TUPELO

Police Chief John Quaka asked the Council to approve a Master Services and Purchasing agreement between Axon Enterprise Inc and City of Tupelo. Axon Enterprise, Inc., was determined to be a Sole Source Provider at the December 21, 2021 Council meeting for the purchase of 70 Taser 7's. Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Bryan, to approve the agreement for a period of five years at an annual rate of \$\$48,300. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX O

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL TO SURPLUS ASSETS TO AUCTION AND SCRAP

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Jones to approve the list of surplus items and disposition as stated on the exhibit, submitted by the Public Works Department, no longer needed for use by the City. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX P

IN THE MATTER OF BID APPROVAL FOR MAJOR THOROUGHFARE MILL AND OVERLAY 2022 ANNUAL BID 2022-005PW

Bids were received by the City of Tupelo for Bid # 2022-005PW for Major Thoroughfare Mill and Overlay 2022. Council Member Mims moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to award the

lowest and best bid to APAC-MS for a total of \$1,124,780.00, award an alternate bid to Gregory Companies, LLC (DBA Murphree Paving) if needed and allow the mayor and city clerk to execute the contract subject to later ratification. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX Q

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR THE BALLARD PARK BASEBALL 4-PLEX COMMON AREA IMPROVEMENTS BID #2022-004PR

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to award the contract with M & N Construction, LLC for Bid # 2022-004PR - Ballard Park Baseball 4-Plex Common Area Improvements in the amount of \$214,600.00 and to allow the Mayor to execute any and all documents to execute the contract, subject to subsequent ratification by the City Council. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX R

IN THE MATTER OF CVB MINUTES OF MARCH 7, 2022

Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Bryan, to approve the minutes of the March 7, 2022, meeting of the CVB. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX S

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF BANCORPSOUTH ARENA MINUTES OF JANUARY 24, 2022

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Bryan, to approve the January 24, 2022, meeting of the BancorpSouth Arena. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX T

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF CVB BOARD APPOINTMENT OF DIMPLE PATEL

Council member Davis moved, seconded by Council member Beard, to approve the appointment of Dimple Patel to the CVB Board. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX U

STUDY AGENDA

IN THE MATYTER OF AMENDMENT TO DEVELOPMENT CODE TO ADDRESS AND CONFORM TO THE MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL CANNABIS ACT

The City Council directed that the item be moved up to the Action Agenda at the next Regular Council Meeting. APPENDIX V

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 p.m. The vote was unanimous in favor. This the 15th day of March, 2022.

Buddy Palmer, President

City Council

ATTEST:

Missy Shelton, Clerk of the Council

Todd Jordan, Mayor

Date