

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MUNICIPAL MINUTES CITY OF TUPELO

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

MARCH 7, 2023

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 7, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. with the following in attendance: Council Members Chad Mims, Travis Beard, Lynn Bryan, Nettie Davis, Buddy Palmer, Janet Gaston and Rosie Jones; Ben Logan, City Attorney and Missy Shelton, Clerk of the Council. Council Member Chad Mims introduced Rev. Gloria McKinney who gave the invocation. Council Member Travis Beard introduced Alehia Sims, Heidyn Berry and Cami Jo Fullerton who led the pledge of allegiance.

Council President Lynn Bryan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

CONFIRMATION OR AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA AND AGENDA ORDER

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Palmer, to confirm the agenda and agenda order, with the following addition:

Add: Item # 13.....IN THE MATTER OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR THE PROCUREMENT AND PURCHASE OF THE COMPONENTS OF THE TUPELO POLICE DEPARTMENT'S REAL-TIME COMMAND CENTER

The vote was unanimous in favor.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION

Council Member Palmer asked that everyone remember Leesha Falkner in their prayers.

Council Member Davis reminded everyone that "Time for Tupelo" is almost here and that anyone who can, participate in the trash pickup on March 25. She also introduced two of her cousins, Hershel and Jennifer Brown, who are visiting from out of state. Next, Mrs. Davis requested prayer for the family and friends of Lynda Beverly, who recently passed.

Council Member Beard gave a "shout out" to the Code Enforcement group and the great job they are doing.

Council Member Jones asked for prayers for the family of the person who was killed in the weekend shooting at Cheers.

Council Member Bryan congratulated the Tupelo High School Basketball teams on their trip to the State 6A playoffs. The Wave Boys made it to the second round in the tournament. The Wave Girls were runners up in the championship game.

MAYOR'S REMARKS

Mayor Jordan requested prayers for safe travel for the Tupelo Performing Arts. He also mentioned that Molly Farned will be having some procedures and to remember her and Alex. Lastly, he invited everyone to come to the Wing Fest this weekend in Fairpark.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 21, 2023 COUNCIL MEETING

Council Member Palmer moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2023, regular City Council meeting. The vote was unanimous in favor.

IN THE MATTER OF BILL PAY

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

IN THE MATTER OF BUDGET AMENDMENT #4 FOR FY 2023

CFO/City Clerk Kim Hanna presented Budget Amendment #4 for 2022-2023. Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to approve Budget Amendment #4, as presented. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX B

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MAJOR THOROUGHFARE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 9, 2023

Council Member Mims moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to approve the Major Thoroughfare committee minutes of January 9, 2023. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX C

IN THE MATTER OF BID AWARD FOR BID # 2023-003 MT NORTH VETERANS BLVD IMPROVEMENTS (REESE ST TO HAMM ST)

The City advertised and accepted bids for Bid # 2023-003MT - North Veterans Blvd Improvements (Reese St to Hamm St). Council Member Palmer moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to award the bid to the lowest and best bid of James A. Hodges Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$1,814,124.47, and to give the Mayor and City Clerk authorization to execute all documents. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX D

IN THE MATTER OF AWARD OF BID #2023-011PD POLICE TAHOES

The City advertised and accepted bids for Bid #2023-011PD - 7 Up-fitted Police Chevrolet Tahoes. One bid was received from Cannon Chevrolet Nissan in the amount of \$404,586.00. Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Jones, to find the single bid as commercially reasonable, and to

award the bid to Cannon Chevrolet Nissan in the amount of \$404,586.00. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX E

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF TUPELO PARK & RECREATION ADVISORY MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 8, 2023

Council Member Gaston moved, seconded by Council member Mims, to approve the minutes of the Tupelo Park and Recreation Advisory Board for the November 8, 2023 meeting. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX F

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF CADENCE BANK ARENA MINUTES OF JANUARY 23, 2023

Council Member Palmer moved, seconded by Council Member Jones, to accept the minutes of the January 23, 2023, meeting of the Cadence Bank Arena. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX G

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH TEREX UTILITIES, INC.

Council Member Gaston moved, seconded by Council Member Davis, to approve a service agreement with Terex Utilities, Inc., for the inspection, maintenance and repair of hydraulic bucket and digger-derrick line trucks for Tupelo Water and Light. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX H

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY PURCHASE OF FOUR (4) 150 kVA THREE-PHASE PADMOUNT TRANSFORMERS

TWL Director Johnny Timmons requested the Council approve the emergency purchase of four (4) 150 kVA 3-phase padmount transformers. The lowest quote submitted by Arkansas Electric Cooperatives, Inc. is \$13,600.00 each, for a total of \$54,400.99. This cost is subject to review at the time of shipment with the lead time a minimum of 13 months.

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Mims, to approve the order for the emergency purchase. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX I

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY PURCHASE OF TEN (10) 167 kVA SINGLE-PHASE PADMOUNT TRANSFORMERS

TWL Director Johnny Timmons requested the Council approve the emergency purchase of ten (10) 167 kVA single-phase padmount transformers. The lowest quote submitted by Arkansas Electric Cooperatives, Inc. is \$9,000.00 each, for a total of \$90,000.00. This cost is subject to review at the time of shipment with the lead time a minimum of 12 months.

Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Mims, to approve the order for the emergency purchase. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX J

IN THE MATTER OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR PROCUREMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE COMPONENTS OF THE TUPELO POLICE DEPARTMENT'S REAL TIME COMMAND CENTER

Council Member Palmer moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to approve the “Resolution Authorizing the Request for Proposals (RFP) for Procurement for the Purchase of the Components of the Tupelo Police Department's Real-Time Command Center”. The vote was unanimous in favor.

APPENDIX K

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Jones, to determine the need for an executive session. Attorney Ben Logan said the session will be for the prospective land purchase, sale or leasing under Miss. Code Anno. 25-41-7 (g) (1972 as amended). The vote was unanimous in favor at 6:20 p.m.

Council Member Gaston moved, seconded by Council Member Jones, to close the regular session and enter executive session for discussion of prospective land purchase, sale or leasing under Miss. Code Anno. 25-41-7 (g) (1972 as amended). The vote was unanimous in favor.

After discussion in executive session, Council Member Palmer moved, seconded by Council Member Jones to return to the regular meeting at 6:37 p.m. The vote was unanimous in favor.

IN THE MATTER OF RESOLUTION APPROVING SALE OF REAL PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES LOCATED AT 216 AND 218 NORTH SPRING STREET

Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Mims, to approve a “Resolution Approving Sale of Real Property no Longer Needed for Municipal Purposes Located at 216 and 218 North Spring Street”. A copy of the resolution is attached to these minutes detailing the sale. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX L

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Council Member Mims moved, seconded by Council Member Palmer, to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous in favor.

This the 7th day of March, 2023, at 6:39 p.m.

Lynn Bryan, Council President

ATTEST:

Missy Shelton, Council Clerk

APPROVED

Todd Jordan, Mayor

Date