



**TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY**  
**Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting**  
**August 11, 2020 6:00 PM**  
**Minutes**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Steve Allen called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m. stating, "Welcome everyone. I am Steve Allen, Mayor for the Town of Ashland City, call to order the August 11, 2020 City Council Meeting for the Town of Ashland City. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with Governor Bill Lee's Executive Order this meeting is being conducted with limited physical public access. The meeting is being made available to public however via live video stream on the zoom application. The meeting is being done by electronic means to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of the city citizens in light of the COVID-19 pandemic."

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT**

Mayor Steve Allen  
Councilman Tim Adkins  
Councilman Gerald Greer  
Councilman Roger Jackson  
Councilman Chris Kerrigan  
Councilwoman Lisa Walker

**ABSENT**

Vice Mayor Daniel Anderson  
Mayor declared a quorum.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Ms. Jennifer Noe requested the addition of an item regarding an agreement for the SWAT team to participate in a training in Kingston Springs. A motion was made by Councilman Adkins, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the agenda with the requested addition of the agreement. All approved by voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. June 16, 2020 Special Called City Council Meeting Minutes
2. July 14, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Councilman Adkins, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve both the June 16, 2020 Special Called Meeting Minutes and the July 14, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes. All approved by voice vote.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

Adam Guy stated he is here today to present a request regarding his water and sewer bill for the last three months. The sewer rate is based on the water bill. He further stated from April to July he had been watering newly planted fescue seed. He stated he is asking for an adjustment on the sewer based on his average consumption of water. Mayor stated this does not fall under the coverage provided by Servline and would be at the Council's discretion as to how to handle this. A motion made by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Greer, to adjust the sewer bill to an average. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilwoman Walker.

**REPORTS**

3. City Attorney  
Ms. Noe was having technical difficulty and this item was skipped.

## OLD BUSINESS:

4. Ordinance: Amending Title 3 of the Municipal Code: Electronic Citation Regulations  
**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 3 CHAPTER 5 SECTION 502 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY REGARDING ELECTRONIC CITATION REGULATIONS.** Councilman Jackson questioned what this is exactly. Ms. Reed stated this allows them to charge five dollars (\$5.00) for the e-tickets. Chief Ray stated that is correct. A motion was made by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Adkins, to approve the Ordinance to Amend Title 3, Chapter 5 of the Municipal Code. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilwoman Walker. **2nd Reading.**
5. Ordinance: Amending Title 9, Chapter 10 Mobile Food Vending  
**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 9, CHAPTER 10 MOBILE FOOD VENDING.** Chief Walker stated this is to change vendors from having to move after operating four (4) days in a calendar week to fifteen (15) days in a calendar month. Ms. Noe stated it allows them up to the fifteen (15) days to operate at a location and after that they will have to move in order to continue operation. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, seconded by Councilman Jackson, to approve the Ordinance Amending Title 9, Chapter 10 of the Municipal Code. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilwoman Walker. **2nd Reading.**
6. Comcast Franchise Agreement  
Ms. Noe stated she sent the proposed changes to them and has not heard back. She requested a deferral. A motion was made by Councilman Adkins, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to defer this. All approved by voice vote.

## NEW BUSINESS:

7. BlueCross Healthy Place Projects  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE TO PARTICIPATE IN BLUECROSS HEALTHY PLACE PROJECTS GRANT FUNDING PROGRAM.** A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, seconded by Councilman Greer, to approve the Resolution to participate in the BlueCross Healthy Place Projects Grant Funding Program. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilwoman Walker.
8. Veteran's Memorial Park Discussion  
Councilman Kerrigan questioned if this will include the name engraving. Mayor stated they did not get back to him on that and he will let everyone know. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, seconded by Councilman Greer, to approve the expenditure of twenty six thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$26,750) to purchase the granite for the Veteran's Memorial Park. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilwoman Walker.
9. Resolution: Governor Lee's Local Government Support Grant  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE TO PARTICIPATE IN GOVERNOR LEE'S LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPPORT GRANT FUNDING PROGRAM.** A motion was made by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Adkins, to approve the Resolution for Governor Lee's Local Government Support Grant Funding Program. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilwoman Walker.
10. Bass, Berry, and Sims Engagement Letter and Resolution  
**INITIAL RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS BY THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE IN A PAR AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$896,500 TO FINANCE THE PURCHASE OF A FIRE TRUCK AND EQUIPMENT AND RELATED COSTS.** A motion was made by Councilman Greer, seconded by Councilman Adkins, to approve the Initial Resolution to Finance the Purchase of a Fire Truck and Equipment Related Costs. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilwoman Walker.

11. Bass, Berry, and Sims Engagement Letter and Resolution  
**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND PAYMENT OF \$896,500 OF BONDS BY THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES PRIOR TO THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS; AND AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF TAXES TO PAY THE BONDS AND NOTES.** A motion was made by Councilwoman Walker, seconded by Councilman Greer, to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance, Sale, and Payment of \$896,500. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilwoman Walker.
12. Property Purchase Discussion: 125 Vine Street- Map 049 N Parcel 11.00  
Chief Derek Noe stated the reason they are asking to purchase this lot is to help with the turn radius for the fire trucks. He stated they have set up cones and turned into the lot and although it can be done it is really tight. If they have this lot it will make it a lot easier and will additionally allow for more parking spaces. A motion was made by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Greer, to purchase the property for fifty five thousand dollars (\$55,000). Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilwoman Walker.
13. Budget Amendment #1 FY 2020-2021  
**AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TO ACCEPT A BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE 20/21 FISCAL YEAR.** Ms. Reed requested the money for the property purchase be added to the budget amendment. A motion was made by Councilwoman Walker, seconded by Councilman Greer, to approve the Ordinance for the Budget Amendment with the addition of the fifty five thousand dollars (\$55,000) for the property purchase. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilwoman Walker.
14. SWAT Agreement  
Ms. Noe stated she received this agreement today and asked this be added to the agenda as they are seeking approval before the end of this month; however, she would like to ask Council to give the Mayor authority to enter into an agreement with whatever verbiage both the mayor and she approves. Councilman Jackson questioned if this is just for liability purposes. Ms. Noe confirmed it is and it will need to be approved by the county and Town of Kingston Springs. A motion was made by Councilman Adkins, seconded by Councilwoman Walker, to give the mayor authority to sign an agreement. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilwoman Walker.

#### **EXPENDITURE REQUESTS:**

15. Permission to bid: Shade Structures
16. Permission to bid: Pour in place surface at Fire Station II playground
17. Permission to bid: Construction of City Hall and Fire Station II.
18. Permission to Bid Road Resurfacing: Little Marrowbone, Marrowbone Lane, Maple Drive, Orchard Lane, Adkisson Street, Hale Street, Thompson Road, Plum Street, Holloway Drive, Bowker Street, and Riverbluff Park  
A motion was made by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve permission to bid the four bids for shade structures, pour in place surfacing, construction of City Hall and Fire Station I., and resurfacing. All approved by voice vote.

#### **OTHER**

Ms. Noe stated we received the survey for the property on Caldwell. The survey showed the acreage to be approximately ninety three (93) acres and the eight (8) acres in conflict actually were a part of the Girth Family property. She stated this is for information and she would like to get a motion to give the mayor permission to sign a deed to clear this up. A motion was made by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to allow the mayor to sign a new deed to clear this up. Voting Yea:

Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilwoman Walker.

Ms. Noe discussed the option of having the property auctioned. Councilman Jackson stated he would like to get a relator to sell the property. Ms. Noe explained she could check and see what the options are because we have restrictions because of the charter. After much discussion council asked Ms. Noe to get the deed cleared up and then come back and let them know what options they will have for selling the property.

Mr. Josh Wright reported the progress and stated he hopes to have the drawings ready and be ready to bid by the third week of September.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, seconded by Councilman Greer, to adjourn the meeting. All approved by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

  
MAYOR STEVE ALLEN

  
CITY RECORDER KELLIE REED, CMFO, CMC