

TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting August 09, 2022 6:00 PM Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT
Mayor JT Smith
Vice Mayor Gerald Greer
Councilman Tim Adkins
Councilman Chris Kerrigan
Councilman Michael Smith
Councilman Kevin Thompson
Councilman Tony Young

PLEDGE AND PRAYER

Councilman Adkins led the Pledge of Allegiance of the United States of America and the prayer. **Public Hearing**None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

July 12, 2022 City Council Meeting Minutes
 A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greer, seconded by Councilman Young, to approve the July
 12, 2022 City Council Meeting Minutes. All approved by voice vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

Jerome Terrell - Mr. Terrell gave an update on the status of projects with the Economic and Community Development board. He presented the council with a handout and stated he would be happy to answer any questions.

REPORTS

2. City Attorney

Ms. Noe stated that there had been a ruling on the Hidden Lakes trial and gave a summary of the ruling to the Council.

OLD BUSINESS

- 3. Ordinance: Rezone Parcel 055C U 009 00 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE, BY REZONING PARCEL 009.00 OF CHEATHAM COUNTY TAX MAP 055C, GROUP U, LOCATED ON HIGHWAY 12 SOUTH Mr. Nicholson stated that this is for a second and final reading. He stated it is rezoning this parcel from R2 to R4PUD.
- 4. Ordinance: Rezone Parcel 049O A 019 03 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE, BY REZONING PARCEL 019.03 OF CHEATHAM COUNTY TAX MAP 049O, GROUP A, LOCATED ON HIGHWAY 12 SOUTH Mr. Nicholson stated that this is for a

second and final reading. He stated it is rezoning this parcel from R3 to C2. A motion was made by Councilman Young, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the rezone. Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.

- 5. Ordinance: Pole Signs
 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY AMENDING ORDINANCE #501 SECTION 20-105.1(c)(3) AND SECTION 20-105.1 (d)(1): POLE OR GROUND SIGNS Mr. Nicholson stated that this is for a second and final reading. He stated that this is to eliminate 20ft to 10ft for pole and ground signs. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the amendment. Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.
- 6. Ordinance: Amending Title 3: Municipal Court
 AN ORDINANCE MODIFYING TITLE 3, MUNICIPAL COURT FOR THE TOWN OF ASHLAND
 CITY, TENNESSEE Ms. Noe stated that this is for second and final reading. A motion was
 made by Councilman Smith, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the amendment.
 Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Kerrigan,
 Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.
- 7. Ordinance: Amend Title 9 Chapter 2- Peddlers
 AN ORDINANCE BY THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE TO AMEND THE
 MUNICIPAL CODE DELETING TITLE 9, CHAPTER 2: PEDDLERS IN ITS ENTIRETY AND
 AMENDED Ms. Noe stated that this is a first reading. She stated that the old code was out of
 date and the council asked for something in its place. Ms. Noe stated that this one is a little
 more up to date and provides more information about the applicants if there is an issue. A
 motion was made by Councilman Young, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the
 amendment. Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman
 Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.

NEW BUSINESS

- 8. Planning Services Agreement
 - Mr. Nicholson stated that this is to renew the agreement with the City Planner. A motion was made by Councilman Smith, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the agreement. Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.
- 9. Cumberland Connect Agreement
 - Ms. Martin stated that this is an agreement to switch our current internet services from Charter to Cumberland Connect. She stated that we currently pay around \$1130.00 a month and this would cost around \$860.00 a month. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greer, Seconded by Councilman Young, to approve the agreement. Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.
- 10. Resolution: Surplus Property
 - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE, TO ESTABLISH A POLICY FOR THE SALE AND DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY DETERMINED TO BE SURPLUS TO THE CITY'S NEEDS Ms. Noe stated that our Charter refers to a surplus policy and this is to establish one. She stated that this is a draft and the council can change it as they see fit. Ms. Noe stated that Chief Ray addressed a few issues with one being Section 7 since the Police Department trades in weapons for credit to purchase other weapons and ammunition with arms dealers. She stated the other issue was in Section 8 because employees can bid on surplus items through GovDeals since all bidders are anonymous and treated fairly. A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the surplus policy deleting section 8 and adding trade for the police department in section 7. Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.

11. Resolution: Updating Policies and Procedures - Section II, Applications A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY UPDATING SECTION II: APPLICATIONS OF THE PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURE MANUAL GOVERNING EMPLOYMENT WITH THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY Ms. Black stated that this was to update the employee manual so that applicants could drop their applications off at City Hall instead of Workforce Essentials. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greer, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the policy update. Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.

SURPLUS PROPERTY NOMINATIONS

12. Transport Van

Councilman Thompson asked if what they just passed made it easier to surplus the van to another county. Ms. Noe stated yes. Deputy Chief Matlock stated that they will pay us exactly what we paid. A motion was made by Councilman Young, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the item for surplus for the exact amount that the city paid. Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.

13. Police Interceptor

Chief Ray stated that this is to surplus one of the older interceptors on GovDeals. A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the item for surplus. Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.

EXPENDITURE REQUESTS

None.

OTHER

- 14. Resolution: Updating Policies and Procedures Section IX, Misc. Policies
 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY UPDATING
 SECTION IX: MISCELLANEOUS POLICIES OF THE PERSONNEL POLICIES AND
 PROCEDURE MANUAL GOVERNING EMPLOYMENT WITH THE TOWN OF ASHLAND
 CITY ESTABLISHING A FRAGRANCE-FREE WORKPLACE POLICY Ms. Black stated that
 this to establish a fragrance-free workplace policy. Councilman Greer stated that this is
 something that can be solved without a policy. Councilman Greer stated he would like
 something in the employee manual. Ms. Black stated that she would write up something generic
 and bring it back before the council. No movement was made, and the resolution failed.
- 15. Resolution: BCBS Healthy Places
 - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE TO PARTICIPATE IN BLUECROSS HEALTHY PLACE PROJECTS GRANT FUNDING PROGRAM Ms. Martin stated that this was to authorize participation in the grant. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to authorize participation. Voting Yea: Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Young.

Councilman Thompson asked about the FT Mayor discussion. Ms. Noe stated that would be a charter change and it would have to go before the Legislature. She stated that she spoke with Gary Jaeckel at MTAS and he stated that cities our size do not need full time mayors. Ms. Noe stated that we don't want someone to fill that position just for the salary and benefits. She stated that you could hire a City Administrator but it would also require a charter change. Ms. Noe stated that a City Administrator would run the day to day and the part time mayor position would be ceremonial. Councilman Greer stated that with the mayor you can require they are a

resident. Ms. Noe stated that you could require that for a City Administrator as well. Councilman Thompson asked for the discussion to be added to the next meeting.

Councilman Adkins stated that there will be a discussion regarding Rocketown at September's Workshop meeting.

Councilman Thompson asked about the Fireworks at Gateway. Ms. Noe stated that it would have to be a changed by ordinance to allow it and there is not enough time to do that. Councilman Thompson asked that someone call and explain that.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to adjourn the meeting. All approved by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

MAYOR SMITH

CITY RECORDER ALICIA MARTIN, CMFO