



TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY
Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting
August 10, 2021 6:00 PM
Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Steve Allen
Councilman Tim Adkins
Councilman Gerald Greer
Councilman Roger Jackson
Councilman Chris Kerrigan
Councilman JT Smith

ABSENT

Vice Mayor Daniel Anderson

PLEDGE AND PRAYER

Councilman Tim Adkins led the pledge and prayer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. July 13, 2021 City Council Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, seconded by Councilman Adkins, to approve the July 13, 2021 City Council Meeting Minutes. All approved by voice vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

Mr. Kevin Thompson & Mrs. Andi Thompson - Mr. Thompson stated that he lived at 279 Frey Street and he was there to speak on behalf of the zoning violation they received. He stated that they went and got a permit and they were told there was nothing else they needed to do. Mr. Thompson presented a packet to the council with a petition and stated that they pay their taxes. Ms. Noe recommended that they go to the Planning Commission and appeal. A motion was made by Councilman Adkins, seconded by Councilman Greer, to pass this to the Planning Commission. All approved by voice vote.

Ms. Jane Crisp - Ms. Crisp stated that she was there to speak about the proposal for Caldwell Park. She stated that she lived at the Braxton and owns commercial property on Main Street. She presented the council with a copy of the proposal and stated that Mr. Josh Wright is in attendance to answer questions.

Councilman Jackson came in at this time.

Mr. Roger Marriott - Mr. Marriott stated that he was there to speak about Caldwell Park. He stated that he has lived here for 8 years and moved here from Williamson County. He stated that he was in support of Ms. Crisp's proposal.

Ms. Della Smith - Ms. Smith stated that she was there to speak about Caldwell Park. She stated that she was in support of Ms. Crisp's proposal. Ms. Smith asked what the City planned to do with the park if they did not accept it. She stated that she hoped they would make it safe and keep it wild.

Mr. Jeremy Lecich - Mr. Lecich stated that if they did not vote to accept the proposal, that they provide an explanation and good reason as to why not. He stated that they have spent a lot of time on this and they did not want to spend more time if it was not going to pass.

Mike Russell - Mr. Russell stated that he was the Solid Waste Director and he was there to ask if the City could post about the free dump day on the website. He stated that there would be a day for each part of the county to come and dump for free. He stated they would also have a day to dump chemicals, gas, etc. for free. Mayor Allen asked him to see Ms. Bowman after the meeting.

REPORTS

2. City Attorney

Ms. Jennifer Noe stated that everything she had to report was already on the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS

3. Comprehensive Plan with Josh Wright

Mr. Josh Wright stated that the first meeting of the Comprehensive Plan was the next evening and that they would meet there at the Senior Center to kick off the tour. Mayor Allen stated that with that, there needed to be a decision made on Caldwell Park. He stated that no matter what, the City was keeping the park and had the money to make the improvements as part of the Comprehensive Plan. Councilman Greer stated that the time had come to take the money in exchange for naming the park after Ms. Crisp's late husband. He thanks everyone for their time and efforts. Councilman Jackson stated that he did not agree with the statue. Councilman Adkins stated that he had concerns regarding the conservation easement. Ms. Bowman stated that we are a financially stable city and we do not need to take the money to make improvements to the park. Ms. Noe stated that there needed to be a clear time period on the conservation easement when the motion was made. Ms. Crisp stated she would like ninety-nine (99) years. A motion was made by Councilman Greer, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to accept the proposal in its entirety with a guaranteed length of ninety-nine (99) years. Voting Yea: Councilman Greer. Voting Nay: Councilman Adkins, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith. Voting Abstaining: Mayor Allen. Mayor Allen stated that it failed. Councilman Adkins asked if it would still be part of the comprehensive plan. Mayor Allen stated that it would. Councilman Greer asked if we would continue with the pavilion. Mr. Wright stated that we would.

4. Ordinance: Amending Ord #551 (2018 Standard Codes)

AN ORDINANCE BY THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE AMENDING ORDINANCE #551 TITLE 12, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 12-101. Mayor Allen stated this was the second and final reading. A motion was made by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Greer, to approve the amendment. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.

5. Ordinance Franchise Agreement: CEMC

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO GRANTEE, THE NON-EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO ERECT, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE IN, UNDER, OVER, ALONG, ACROSS THE STREETS, LANES, AVENUES, SIDEWALKS, ALLEYS, BRIDGES, HIGHWAYS, AND EASEMENTS DEDICATED FOR COMPATIBLE USES AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES IN THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE, AND THE SUBSEQUENT ADDITIONS THERETO, TOWERS, FIBERS, CABLES AND ANCILLARY FACILITIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING, OPERATING, MAINTAINING AND REPAIRING A CABLE SYSTEM, AS DEFINED HEREIN, FOR A PERIOD OF TEN (10) YEARS, REGULATING THE SAME AND PROVIDING COMPENSATION TO THE CITY. Mayor Allen stated this was the second and final reading. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, seconded by Councilman Jackson to approve the Ordinance. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith. Voting Nay: Councilman Jackson.

NEW BUSINESS

6. New FT Fire Position

A motion was made by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Greer, to approve a new FT fire position. All approved by voice vote.

7. City Recorder Discussion/Interview

Mayor Allen asked to defer this to the September meeting. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, seconded by Councilman Smith, to defer. All approved by voice vote.

8. Gun Restrictions for City Owned Public Property

Ms. Noe stated that the laws have changed and the department heads were trying to decide on how to handle them. She asked for the council's input. She stated that you cannot carry in the PD and all government offices are by permit only. Ms. Noe asked if we would like to do the same for the parks and the senior center or if we wanted to just let the department heads decide. Councilman Kerrigan and Councilman Jackson stated that they would like to allow by permit only.

9. Tyler Court Bundle

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

10. Tyler Technologies: Server Migration Financial and Admin

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

11. Power DMS Agreement

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

12. Grease Trap Maintenance Contract

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

13. Resolution: BCBS Healthy Place Grant Program

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE TO PARTICIPATE IN BLUECROSS HEALTHY PLACE PROJECTS GRANT FUNDING PROGRAM. Mr. Sampson presented the council with the results of the poll. He stated that the Community Hub won by 18 votes. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, seconded by Councilman Greer, to approve the Resolution. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.

14. Resolution: Firehouse Subs Public Safety Grant

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE TO PARTICIPATE IN FIREHOUSE SUBS PUBLIC SAFETY FOUNDATION GRANT. A motion was made by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the Resolution. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.

15. Resolution: City Hall General Obligation Bond

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND PAYMENT OF \$5,300,000 OF GENERAL OBLIGATION 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 Councilman Kerrigan, seconded by Councilman Adkins, to approve the Resolution. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.

16. Resolution: Fire Hall General Obligation Bond

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND PAYMENT OF \$5,560,000 OF GENERAL OBLIGATION 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 Councilman Greer, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the Resolution. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.

17. Resolution: TSMO Pedestrian Signal Upgrades

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE ADOPTING THE TSMO PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL UPGRADES. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, seconded

by Councilman Smith, to approve the Resolution. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.

18. Resolution: Establishing a Credit Card Policy

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE, TO ESTABLISH A CREDIT CARD POLICY. A motion was made by Councilman Greer, seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the Resolution. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.

19. Ordinance: Budget Amendment

AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TO ACCEPT A BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE 21/22 FISCAL YEAR. A motion was made by Councilman Adkins, seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the Ordinance. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.

20. Ordinance: Amending Title 18 Chapter 7 Section 18-706(5)(Fats, Oils, and Grease)

AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE AMENDING TITLE 18 CHAPTER 7 SECTION 18-706(5) OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE REGULATING ANIMAL, VEGETABLE FATS, OILS AND GREASE, AND SOIL/SAND AND LINT TRAPS AND INTERCEPTORS, IN ITS ENTIRETY. A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the Ordinance. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith.

**SURPLUS PROPERTY NOMINATIONS
EXPENDITURE REQUESTS**

21. Police Explorer

Councilman Jackson asked if all three (3) requests could be approved with one vote. Ms. Noe stated that it could. A motion was made by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve all three(3) expenditure requests. All approved by voice vote.

22. Request to Bid Sewer System Rehab

23. 2004 Toro Multi Pro 1250 Sprayer

OTHER

Mayor Allen stated that Mayor McCarver was in attendance regarding the water leak at the county jail. Ms. Bowman provided the council with the amounts of the last 3 months' water bills. Ms. Bowman stated that Servline had already paid their maximum amount for the leak and that there have been 2 penalties applied to the account for past due balances. After much discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, seconded by Councilman Greer, to remove the penalties and a portion of the sewer. Voting Yea: Mayor Allen, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Smith. Voting Nay: Councilman Jackson

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Greer, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.


MAYOR STEVE ALLEN


INTERIM CITY RECORDER ALICIA MARTIN, CMFO