

BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN WORK SESSION MINUTES

Monday, July 14, 2025 at 4:30 PM
City Hall, 415 Broad Street, Montgomery - Watterson Boardroom

Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Paul W. Montgomery, Presiding Vice Mayor Darrell Duncan Alderman Morris Baker Alderman Betsy Cooper

Alderman Colette George Alderman Gary Mayes Alderman James Phillips

- I. CALL TO ORDER 4:30 pm by Mayor Montgomery.
- II. ROLL CALL by City Recorder Travis Bishop.

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Facade Grants - Robin Cleary

Robin Cleary gave a presentation on this item, noting it was the first time Kingsport has received the downtown improvement grant. She highlighted each of the businesses that were awarded these funds and provided details on the timeline for these projects. She also mentioned the grant money will provide wayfinding signs for parking lots in downtown.

2. Fun Fest - Emily Thompson

Emily Thompson provided information on upcoming Funfest activities, pointing out this year will be the 45th anniversary of this festival. She pointed out there are 24 new events this year and expressed appreciation for the support of the board as well as the city. She also mentioned the success of Red, White and Boom this past weekend, stating it was the most successful and well attended event so far.

IV. REVIEW OF BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

City staff gave a summary for each item on the July 15, 2025 proposed agenda. The following items were discussed at greater length or received specific questions or concerns.

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- XI.5. Consideration of a Resolution to Award the Bid to GRC Civil Services for the Waterline Extension on Lynn Road (AF-202-2025) Chad Austin provided details and answered questions from Alderman George regarding construction costs and assumed water usage for this area.
- XI8. Consideration of a Resolution to Award the Bid to East Tennessee Turf and Landscape for the Gravity Sanitary Sewer Extension and Authorize the Mayor to Sign All Applicable Documents (AF-175-2025) Chad Austin provided information on the legal requirement to hook to sanitary sewer within a certain distance.

Alderman George reminded everyone to wear funfest shirts tomorrow night.

V. ITEMS OF INTEREST

1. Projects Status Report

VI. ADJOURN

Seeing no other business for consideration, Mayor Montgomery adjourned the meeting at 5:23 p.m.

GELAWARS PAUL W. MONTGOME

Deputy City Recorder Mayor