

# TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

# July 30, 2019 6:00 PM at Ashland City Municipal Building 101 Court Street, Ashland City, Tennessee

CALL TO ORDER at 6:02 PM by Mayor Allen.

### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Steve Allen, Vice Mayor Daniel Anderson, Ms. Lisa Walker, Ms. Alwilda Binkley, Mr. Tim Adkins.

Mr. Roger Jackson and Mr. Chris Kerrigan

Absent: None

### CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

A motion made by Ms. Lisa Walker, seconded by Vice Mayor Daniel Anderson to approve the July agenda as typed. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

#### **PUBLIC FORUM**

A. Forrest Street – Ms. Stacey Stuart, a resident who lives at 101 South Poole Street at the corner of Forrest Street, questioned the council's intentions to hold someone accountable for the damage to Forrest Street. She stated her car is currently in the shop due to driving on Forrest Street and for the past 3 weeks, there has been a huge dirt pile from a hole dug in her yard with trash left on the dirt pile by construction crews. She also stated there are different colors of spray paint on the road, flooding issues in her home and now she has heard Forrest Street would be patched. She informed council of an employee who was rude and stated to her if the road was paved, cars would drive too fast. Mayor said the subcontractors met last week and patching was to begin this week. Mr. Anderson stated the places patched are sinking. Ms. Stuart questioned whom would hold Piedmont responsible and make them do what is right. Ms. Jennifer Noe stated we would need to talk to Mr. Clint Biggers to determine what he did. Ms. Lisa Walker questioned if Piedmont or contractor does nothing, will the city put this road on the list to be repave. Ms. Stuart asked the city to please not let this slide and to hold them accountable.

# **CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

None

# **OLD BUSINESS**

A. A.O. Smith Berm Discussion: Mayor stated there was a meeting held last Friday with our engineers, Jennifer Noe, Kellie Reed and Chief Walker. Chief Walker stated our engineers are here tonight to answer any questions council may have about the changes in the plans. Ms. Alwilda Binkley questioned how water would keep moving to keep from it becoming a scum pond. Mr. Jason Reynolds answered navigable type or pipe with exchange of water, the plan shows water received from the stream and a 1"-3" elevation. Chief Walker stated they have now taken out the wetlands on the city property. Mr. Anderson questioned why they are not building on their land. Mr. Kerrigan questioned how they could get away without the wetland now. Mr. Reynolds stated they are paying for mitigation elsewhere and lake is about 6 acres and that is larger than their land they will be giving to the city. Ms. Walker questioned what the city would do with it if it were not a lake. Mr. Reynolds stated there are several issues with this property with the archeological surveys and the floodplain. Mayor stated the county would like the city to build more parks and they have designated a way to help fund each community to help maintain the parks. Chief stated a bridge and walkway from Riverbluff to the lake area could be built. He stated the best view of the bluff is from that area, we could stock the lake, put aerator in it to keep the water fresh to support the fish and this is the best way for the city to enjoy the land. He also stated we have the money for an engineer and to apply for TDEC Grant, which is 80/20 grant. Ms. Binkley said it was a good idea. Ms. Walker questioned if a pavilion could be near the lake. Ms. Noe questioned if the council desired to build a lake, what would be the cost. Mr. Reynolds stated they ran the numbers and have figured low because of the amount of work it would take to haul away wet soil, but it would cost the city somewhere around a few million to construct a lake. Mr. Kerrigan questioned if topsoil would be going to county property. Chief stated yes for future ball fields. Mayor questioned what would maintain the water level. Mr. Reynolds stated unless sealed off, not an option to control level and cost would make it unfeasible. After much discussion Mr. Reynolds informed the council he would review to see how often and how much water level

changes. He also stated the other item improved was the slope on camping side, now a 6 to 1 all the way around. He informed he would be happy to tackle any other items needed and to let him know if he can be of further assistance.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion made by Ms. Binkley, seconded by Vice Mayor Anderson to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

MAYOR STEVE ALLEN

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