

TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

August 7, 2018

6:00 PM at Ashland City Municipal Building
101 Court Street, Ashland City, Tennessee

CALL TO ORDER at 6:57 PM by Mayor Johnson.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Richard Johnson, Vice Mayor Steve Allen, Ms. Lisa Walker, Mr. Tim Adkins, Mr. Roger Jackson, Mr. Daniel Anderson, and newly elected Chris Kerrigan

ABSENT

None

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

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

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A motion made by Vice Mayor Steve Allen, seconded by Ms. Lisa Walker to approve the July minutes as typed. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

REPORTS

A. Department Heads.

- a. **Fire, Codes and Life Safety Department.** Chief Walker stated business as usual.
- b. **Police Department.** Chief Coulon stated business as usual.
- c. **Court Department.** Ms. Anita Justice stated business as usual.
- d. **Senior Center.** Ms. Womack stated business as usual.
- e. **Water and Streets Department.** Mr. Biggers stated triathlon attendance was almost 500, and doubled from last year. He also stated pot hole repairs will begin within the week and 2 taps have been placed on Skyview Drive.
- f. **Recorder.** Ms. Reed stated they are working with auditor, preliminary looks good, and they will be back in about a month.

PUBLIC FORUM

Mayor Johnson suggested an opportunity to add a public forum to the meeting. A motion made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Adkins to allow a public forum. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- A. **Jerome Terrell.** Mr. Terrell stepped forward to discuss current projects. He stated there would be three groundbreaking on Highway 12, which will create 700 jobs and \$59 million in capital investments which will take 3 phases.
- B. **Ashley Osman.** Ms. Osman stepped forward on behalf of a client offering the sale of 3 acres at 405 North Main, located next to CEMC.
- C. **Mike Pryor.** Mr. Pryor stepped forward and addressed the need to unite all sports. He suggested the city work with the county on the new parks complex and the city run it. He stated Ashland City has a bad rep with the sports because of the separation, he asked council to think about these things as they search for a new parks director. He stated his appreciation for the city in all they do for the parks and he offered his help during the search.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. **Comcast Franchise Agreement.** Ms. Noe stated she is still waiting on Comcast to call her, but until then current contract will stay in place.
- B. **Ordinance: Amend Title 4, Chapter 5: Purchasing Procedures.** Ms. Reed stated this is second reading and she would be happy to answer any questions.
- C. **Ordinance: Budget Amendment.** Ms. Reed stated this is 2nd reading for items carried over into this year's budget from last year's budget.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Shred It Contract.** Ms. Reed stated representatives from the company are here to present. Mr. Derek Pallin spoke on behalf of the company. He presented a slide show declaring facts and benefits of using Shred It. He stated the total cost per month would be \$55, which includes one 64-gallon tote for \$45 and two standard containers for \$5 each.
- B. **GNRC Contract.** Ms. Reed informed of an inconsistency in the zoning codes and this will go back through codes with city planner to clean it up. Ms. Reed also stated changes would go before the planning commission board too.
- C. **Neal Westerman Contract Amendment.** Mr. Biggers stated there was enough problems found that there is no longer a need for the smoke testing. He also stated the company would do GPS mapping of the entire town in lieu of the smoke testing. Mr. Jackson inquired about repairs. Mr. Biggers stated repairs have begun.
- D. **Neal Westerman Water Tank Agreement.** Mr. Biggers stated this is the agreement for the water tank behind Food Lion. Ms. Jennifer Noe stated she would look at it later.
- E. **Water Tank Agreement.** Vice Mayor Allen inquired if we are able to produce enough water to support growth 5 years down the road. Mr. Biggers stated yes by adding two tanks.
- F. **Bull Run Property Agreement.** Ms. Noe stated she would need direction from council for the property contract. Mayor Johnson stated the property is hard to police, very little use, written up last year for not keeping it up and he would love to see the city give it up. Ms. Noe suggested a vote to move forward to abandon the contract.
- G. **Resolution: Purchasing Resolution.** Ms. Reed stated this resolution goes with the purchasing changes. She also stated MTAS made suggestions to the policy and she has made those changes.
- H. **Resolution: Speaking Procedure.** Mayor Johnson stated this is a basic form to fill out for public forum. Ms. Reed stated the form is similar to the one from the Board of Education and it will help with the meeting minutes when we do not get the correct name or do not have contact information.
- I. **Ordinance: Amend Title 13, Chapter 1: 13-104.** Chief Walker stated this would be to add verbiage. Ms. Reed read the amended portion and stated the addition of the word tires. Chief Walker stated tires would need to be stored inside overnight. He also stated real problem is used tires are not being hauled off when needed. Mayor Johnson suggested Ms. Noe review the ordinance and make suggestions.

SURPLUS PROPERTY NOMINATIONS

None.

OTHER BUSINESS

- A. **Parks Director.** Mr. Adkins inquired about the process and how many applicants. Mayor Johnson stated 15 applicants with five that have all of the requirements.
- B. **Open Positions.** Ms. Walker inquired as to how many current open positions in the city. Ms. Reed stated she believes four currently.
- C. **Flag Football.** Mr. Anderson inquired about flag football at the tennis courts. Mayor Johnson stated maybe next fall, some problems with property below pavilion at Riverbluff.
- D. **Park Connection.** Mr. Adkins inquired about the two parks connecting. Chief Walker stated gravel has been poured, first payment will be due soon, maybe set bridges in 2 to 3 weeks, seem to be ahead of schedule and it looks good.
- E. **Movie in Park.** Ms. Walker informed that the Movie in the Park will be on September 7, 2018 at 6 pm, actual movie would start at 7:30 pm. Mr. Jackson stated a lot of activity. Ms. Womack stated they have to cancel if 30% chance of rain predicted.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion made by Ms. Walker, seconded by Vice Mayor Allen to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.


RICHARD JOHNSON, MAYOR


KELLIE REED, CITY RECORDER