



**TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY**  
**Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting**  
**January 23, 2024, 6:00 PM**  
**Minutes**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 6:03 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.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greer, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the agenda with changes. All approved by voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. December 12, 2023, City Council Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Councilman Thompson, to approve the December 12, 2023, City Council Meeting Minutes. All approved by voice vote.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

2. *Procedure for Speaking Before the Council*

Nanette Malher discussed the TVA meeting on February 13, 2024.

Shirley Moulton discussed the TVA meeting on February 13, 2024.

Stephen Cothran discussed a property off of Powder Mill Rd that is annexed in Ashland City.

**REPORTS**

3. City Attorney Report

Ms. Noe was made aware of the property tax issue a couple of weeks ago and as soon as she has something to report back, she will do so.

**OLD BUSINESS**

4. Ordinance: Amend Code of Ethics

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greer, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve this ordinance. Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Young, Councilman Smith, and Mayor Smith

5. Corp of Engineers Contract

A motion was made by Councilman Adkins, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to defer until January. All approved by voice vote.

6. Senior Center Dance Lease Discussion

A motion was made by Councilman Smith, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve this lease. Voting Yea: Councilman Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith

**NEW BUSINESS**

7. TN Law Enforcement Training Academy Grant Contract

A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the contract. Voting Yea: Councilman Thompson, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Young, Councilman Smith, and Mayor Smith

8. Cash Saver Wine Compliance Certificate

A motion was made by Councilman Young, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the certificate. Voting Yea: Councilman Young, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Smith, and Mayor Smith

9. Farmers Market Application Fees & Rules

A motion was made by Councilman Smith, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to approve the fee increase. Voting Yea: Councilman Smith, Councilman Kerrigan, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith Abstain: Councilman Thompson

10. Summerfest Vendor Application Fees & Rules

A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the fee increase. Voting Yea: Councilman Kerrigan, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Young, Councilman Smith, and Mayor Smith

11. Resolution: Wastewater Treatment Plant Loan \$5,639,000

A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the resolution. Voting Yea: Councilman Thompson, Councilman Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith Voting Nea: Councilman Kerrigan

12. Resolution: Wastewater Treatment Plant \$5,000,000

A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the resolution. Voting Yea: Councilman Thompson, Councilman Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith Voting Nea: Councilman Kerrigan

13. Election Discussion

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greer, Seconded by Councilman Thompson, to approve the city attorney present to election office and the state. Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Young, Councilman Smith, and Mayor Smith

14. Land Adjacent to City Hall

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greer, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to defer to end of meeting. All approved by voice vote.

15. Resolution: Meeting Dates Approval

A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to approve the calendar with no resolution. Voting Yea: Councilman Kerrigan, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Young, Councilman Smith, and Mayor Smith

16. Wastewater Treatment Plant Change Order

A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the change order #2. Voting Yea: Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith Voting Nea: Councilman Kerrigan, Vice Mayor Greer

A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve to allow the mayor to approve change orders up to \$740,000. Voting Yea: Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Young, and Mayor Smith Voting Nea: Councilman Kerrigan, Vice Mayor Greer

### **SURPLUS PROPERTY NOMINATIONS**

None

### **EXPENDITURE REQUESTS**

None

### **OTHER**

#### 17. City Recorder Discussion

A motion was made by Councilman Adkins, Seconded by Councilman Kerrigan, to nominate Ms. Molepske and Ms. McBride for the position of City Recorder. Voting Yea: Councilman Adkins, Councilman Kerrigan, Councilman Young, Councilman Smith, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Thompson, and Mayor Smith

Voting: Councilman Adkins - Molepske, Councilman Kerrigan - Molepske, Vice Mayor Greer - Molepske, Councilman Thompson - Molepske, Councilman Young - Molepske, Councilman Smith - Molepske, and Mayor Smith - Molepske

#### 18. Bass Berry & Sims Engagement Letter

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greer, Seconded by Councilman Young, to approve the agreement. Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Young, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Adkins, Councilman Smith, and Mayor Smith Voting Nea: Councilman Kerrigan,

#### 19. Kimley-Horn Contract Amendment

A motion was made by Councilman Young, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the agreement. Voting Yea: Councilman Young, Councilman Smith, Councilman Kerrigan, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Adkins, and Mayor Smith


#### 14. Land Adjacent to City Hall

A motion was made by Councilman Kerrigan, Seconded by Vice Mayor Greer, to not accept terms and offer to purchase land. Voting Yea: Councilman Kerrigan, Vice Mayor Greer, Councilman Young, Councilman Smith, Councilman Thompson, Councilman Adkins, and Mayor Smith

Councilman Adkins discussed the option of moving the February meeting to attend the TVA meeting. It was advised it is not a good idea to move meetings that have been advertised without a substantial reason. Councilman Thompson discussed the possibility of advertising the meeting on our website. It was advised that we should not advertise for items outside of city business.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Councilman Thompson, Seconded by Councilman Smith, to adjourn the meeting. All approved by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

  
MAYOR JT SMITH

  
CITY RECORDER