

TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
May 14, 2019
6:00 PM at Ashland City Municipal Building
101 Court Street, Ashland City, Tennessee

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Steve Allen, Vice-Mayor Daniel Anderson, Ms. Alwilda Binkley, Ms. Lisa Walker, and Mr. Chris Kerrigan.

Absent: Mr. Roger Jackson and Mr. Tim Adkins.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND PRAYER – Led by Paul Robert Gupton.

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Walker, seconded by Binkley to approve the agenda. All approved by voice vote.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A motion made by Anderson, seconded by Kerrigan to approve the April 9, 2019 council meeting minutes. All approved by voice vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

- A. Chelsie Preston- Water Adjustment.** Ms. West stepped forward and stated she had a high water bill due to a water heater leak. Mayor stated this leak affected two bills \$106.85 and \$84.95, but normally averages \$55.16. A motion made by Anderson, seconded by Binkley to adjust the bills down to an average. Vote on motion: Anderson-yes, Binkley-yes, Walker-yes, Kerrigan-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- B. Maxine Cason- Water Adjustment.** Ms. Reed stated Ms. Cason had requested she represent her tonight. Further, there was a leak in the bathroom resulting in a high water bill in the amount of \$686.41 She further stated the bill normally averages \$22.46. Mr. Anderson made a motion, seconded by Kerrigan, to adjust the bill down to an average. Vote on motion: Anderson-yes, Kerrigan-yes, Binkley-yes, Walker-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- C. Victor Richardson- Water Adjustment.** Mr. Richardson stated there was a leak in the line between the connection and toilet. Mayor stated the bill totaled \$1,228.77, but normally averages \$11.60. A motion was made by Binkley, seconded by Anderson to adjust the bill down to an average. Vote on motion: Binkley-yes, Anderson-yes, Kerrigan-yes, Walker-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- D. LaKota Terrell- Water Adjustment.** Ms. Reed stated Ms. Terrell had requested she represent her tonight. Further, there was a leak in the bathroom resulting in a high water bill in the amount of \$142.63. She further stated the bill normally averages \$51.52. A motion was made by Binkley, seconded by Kerrigan to adjust the bill down to an average. Vote on motion: Binkley-yes, Kerrigan-yes, Anderson-yes, Walker-yes, and Mayor-yes.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Ordinance: Budget Amendment.** AN ORDINANCE TO ACCEPT A BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE 18/19 FISCAL YEAR. A motion was made by Walker, seconded by Anderson to approve the budget amendment ordinance. Vote on motion: Walker-yes, Anderson-yes, Kerrigan-yes, Binkley-yes, and Mayor-yes. **2nd Reading.**
- B. City Hall Discussion.** Ms. Walker questioned if the engineering reports have been turned in for the Braxton. Chief Walker responded they have not yet completed them, but they are close to getting them done. Mayor stated he has spoken with Ms. Osman and feels there is some leeway in the price of the Murff property. Mr. Anderson questioned if we can make an offer. Ms. Binkley stated there are already some traffic problems and she does not want to make a mistake in where the new city hall is built. A motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Kerrigan to make an offer of \$500,000 for the Murff property. All approved by voice vote. Ms. Reed confirmed this

would be for negotiation purposes only and if any agreement is made the council will need to approve a contract.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Raymond James Agreement.** Mayor stated Mr. Rick Dulany came last week and discussed the service agreement. A motion made by Walker, seconded by Anderson to approve the Raymond James Agreement. Vote on motion: Walker-yes, Anderson-yes, Kerrigan-yes, Binkley-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- B. **Buckle Up for Life Agreement.** A motion made by Anderson, seconded by Binkley to approve the Buckle Up for Life Agreement. Vote on motion: Anderson-yes, Binkley-yes, Walker-yes, Kerrigan-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- C. **Lindy Murff Contract Renewal.** Ms. Womack stated this is Ms. Murff's contract for exercise instruction services. A motion was made by Binkley, seconded by Kerrigan to approve the Lindy Murff Contract. Vote on motion: Binkley-yes, Kerrigan-yes, Walker-yes, Anderson-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- D. **Waste Management Contract.** Mr. Biggers he spoke with them and they are fine with the changes Ms. Noe made. A motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Binkley to approve the Waste Management Contract. Vote on motion: Anderson-yes, Binkley-yes, Walker-yes, Kerrigan-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- E. **GNRC Agreement.** Ms. Womack stated this is something a little new with GNRC. Further, they are making adjustments for evidence based programming and will be increasing funds. A motion was made by Binkley, seconded by Walker to approve the GNRC Agreement. Vote on motion: Binkley-yes, Walker-yes, Anderson-yes, Kerrigan-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- F. **Paving Bid.** Mr. Sampson stated they received three bids and only met all requirements and was the low bidder. A motion was made by Binkley, seconded by Walker to approve the low bid Jarrett Paving. Vote on motion: Binkley-yes, Walker-yes, Anderson-yes, Kerrigan-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- G. **Resolution: Tourism Grant.** A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF TOURIST DEVELOPMENT AND DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TOURISM ENHANCEMENT GRANT PROGRAM. Mr. Anderson questioned where this would be. Ms. Walker responded Riverbluff. After much discussion a motion was made by Walker, seconded by Binkley, to approve the Resolution for Tourism Grant. Vote on motion: Walker-yes, Binkley-yes, Kerrigan-yes, Anderson-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- H. **Resolution: TDOT Right of Way Proposal.** AUTHORIZATION FOR THE MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY TENNESSEE TO SIGN A PROPOSAL WITH TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR STATE PROJECT NUMBER 11. A motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Kerrigan to approve the Resolution for TDOT Right of Way Proposal. Vote on motion: Anderson-yes, Kerrigan-yes, Walker-yes, Binkley-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- I. **Resolution: Pay Table Adjustment.** Mayor requested this be moved to the budget meeting for further discussion. He further stated the budget meeting needs to be rescheduled due to Ms. Reed being out at a conference. After some discussion a motion was made by Walker, seconded by Binkley to move the budget meeting from May 21 to May 28, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. All approved by voice vote. A motion was made by Binkley, seconded by Anderson to defer the Resolution for Pay Table Adjustment until the budget meeting. All approved by voice vote.
- J. **Ordinance: Water Rate Increase.** AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE TO AMEND SECTION 18-107(1) OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE REGULATING WATER AND SEWER RATES FOR THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY AND ALL AREAS SURROUNDING THE CITY THAT RECEIVE WATER AND/OR SEWER SERVICE FROM THE ASHLAND CITY WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT. A motion was made by Binkley, seconded by Walker to approve the Ordinance for water rate increase. Vote on motion: Binkley-yes, Walker-yes, Anderson-yes, Kerrigan-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- K. **Ordinance: Budget and Tax Rate 2019-2020 Fiscal Year.** AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2019 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2020. A motion was

made by Walker, seconded by Binkley to approve the Ordinance for Budget and Tax Rate 2019-2020 Fiscal Year. Vote on motion: Walker-yes, Binkley-yes, Kerrigan-yes, Anderson-yes, and Mayor-yes.

SURPLUS PROPERTY NOMINATIONS:

None.

EXPENDITURE REQUESTS

None.

OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Caldwell Park.** Mr. Sampson pointed out the appraised value of the Caldwell park being about \$100,000 more than the minimum bid. Mayor asked council if they would like to make changes to the bid. Council agreed to leave the minimum bid the same.
- B. Disc Golf.** Mr. Sampson stated Mr. Clark came out and looked at the Riverbluff Park as another option for the disc golf course and he recommended staying with the plan to incorporate the space at the walking track. After much discussion council asked Ms. Reed to get with the insurance company and insure there will be no additional liability for this location.
- C. Summerfest Update.** Ms. Walker requested an update on Summerfest. Mr. Sampson stated the armbands will be twenty-five dollars and the bands are all lined up. Mayor questioned if the agreement stated they would be fifteen for the armbands. Mayor requested to pull the agreement and double check on the price.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion made by Anderson, seconded by Kerrigan, to adjourn. All approved by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.


STEVE ALLEN, MAYOR


KELLIE REED, CITY RECORDER