

TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

July 11, 2017

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

CALL TO ORDER at 6:20 PM by Mayor Johnson.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Richard Johnson, Vice-Mayor Mr. Steve Allen, Ms. Lisa Walker, Mr. Jimmy Gill, Mr. Gary Norwood, and Mr. Roger Jackson

Absent: Mrs. Alwilda Binkley.

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

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A motion made by Mr. Gill, seconded by Mrs. Walker to approve the June minutes as typed. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

PROCLAMATION

Ms. Kellie Reed read proclamation to public. Mayor Johnson presented the proclamation to Mrs. Rebecca LaCrosse. Motion made by Mr. Norwood, seconded by Mr. Jackson to approve the proclamation. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

- A. **Mazzie Gibson** – Ms. Gibson came forward and stated her water bill 4 times the average. Mayor stated her bill is a total of \$187.39, and her average \$50.88. Ms. Gibson further stated the leak was fixed last Wednesday and will affect the next bill. A motion made by Norwood, seconded by Allen to approve bill adjustment to average bill and include a 9-day adjustment on next bill. Vote on motion: Norwood-yes, Gill-yes, Allen-yes, Walker-yes, Jackson-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- B. **Colton Applebee** – Mr. Applebee came forward stating he had two leaking toilets and lives alone. Mayor stated the bill is \$616.56, and the average bill is \$67.54. Mr. Applebee further stated one of the toilets were fixed on May 16th, and the other on June 12th. A motion made by Jackson, seconded by Allen to approve bill adjustment to average bill for April, May and June. Vote on motion: Norwood-yes, Gill-yes, Allen-yes, Walker-yes, Jackson-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- C. **Roberta Parker** – Mayor stated Ms. Parker's bill is a total of \$274.92, and normally averages \$43.83. Ms. Parker stated she is on social security and disability. In addition, her son has made the repairs. A motion made by Gill, seconded by Jackson to approve bill adjustment to average bill. Vote on motion: Norwood-yes, Gill-yes, Allen-yes, Walker-yes, Jackson-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- D. **Wayne & Rosemary Hughart** – Mayor stated the Hughart's bill totaled \$201.15, and normally averages \$70.97. Mr. Hughart stated the toilet is now fixed. A motion made by Gill, seconded by Allen to approve bill adjustment to average bill. Vote on motion: Norwood-yes, Gill-yes, Allen-yes, Walker-yes, Jackson-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- E. **Mrs. Robert Holloway** – Mayor stated Mrs. Holloway's bill is a total of \$451.57, and normally averages \$60.24. Mrs. Holloway's son left the hose-pipe on in the koi pond. A motion made by Gill, seconded by Jackson to approve bill adjustment to average bill. Vote on motion: Norwood-yes, Gill-yes, Allen-yes, Walker-yes, Jackson-yes, and Mayor-yes.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

- A. None.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. **Ordinance #473: Amend Title 13 Chapter 4-regulating abandoned, wrecked, dismantled or inoperative vehicles.** A motion was made by Norwood, seconded by Walker to approve Ordinance #473. Vote on motion: Norwood-yes, Gill-yes, Allen-yes, Walker-yes, Jackson-yes, and Mayor-yes. **2nd Reading**
- B. **Resolution 2017-12 Authorization to sign a proposal with TDOT.** After much discussion a motion made by Norwood, seconded by Walker to approve Resolution 2017-12. Vote on motion: Norwood-yes, Gill-no, Allen-yes, Walker-yes, Jackson-yes, and Mayor-yes.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. **SMS Cleaning Contract.** Chuck Walker confirmed he had spoken with SMS and it would be no problem to eliminate contract early. A motion made by Gill, seconded by Norwood to approve elimination of contract. Vote on motion: Gill-yes, Walker-yes, Norwood-yes, Jackson-yes, Allen-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- B. **Tonya Vansel Cleaning Contract.** Mayor suggested amending contract hours to 24, Norwood added that hours should not exceed 28. A motion made by Norwood, seconded by Walker to approve the amended hours. Vote on motion: Norwood-yes, Gill-yes, Allen-yes, Walker-yes, Jackson-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- C. **GNRC Contract.** A motion made by Jackson, seconded by Gill to renew contract. Vote on motion: Norwood-yes, Allen-yes, Walker-yes, Gill-yes, Jackson-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- D. **SSR Engineering Contract Renewal for Water/Wastewater.** A motion made by Gill, seconded by Walker to approve contract renewal. Vote on motion: Gill-yes, Norwood-yes, Allen-yes, Walker-yes, Jackson-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- E. **CSR Engineering Agreement for Codes.** Gill asked for the difference in SSR to CSR. Chuck Walker stated CSR is a smaller and local company. A motion made by Gill, seconded by Norwood to approve the agreement. Vote on motion: Norwood-yes, Gill-yes, Allen-yes, Walker-yes, Jackson-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- F. **Resolution 2017-16: Walmart Community Grant.** A motion made by Norwood, seconded by Jackson to approve the Resolution 2017-16. Vote on motion: Norwood-yes, Gill-yes, Allen-yes, Walker-yes, Jackson-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- G. **Resolution 2017-17: ECD Grant.** Sandy Cannon stated money must benefit city or county in addition to jobs. A motion made by Norwood, seconded by Walker to approve Resolution 2017-17. Vote on motion: Gill-no, Allen-yes, Walker-yes, Jackson-yes, Norwood-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- H. **Resolution 2017-18: GNRC Senior Center Grant.** A motion made by Jackson, seconded by Allen to approve Resolution 2017-18. Vote on motion: Gill-yes, Norwood-yes, Allen-yes, Walker-yes, Jackson-yes, and Mayor-yes.
- I. **Ordinance #474: Updating Title 16 Code.** Chuck Walker asked to defer due to more discussion needed. A motion made by Allen, seconded by Jackson to defer. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
- J. **Ordinance #475: Updating Title 10 Code.** Mayor explained this is for the discussion of urban chickens and to adopt into the code. Chuck Walker stated this is will limit the number of chickens allowed, and will not allow roosters. A motion made by Jackson, seconded by Allen to defer to workshop. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

OTHER BUSINESS

- A. **Red Light.** Lisa Walker suggested someone look at the red light on Stratton Blvd. and Main St. Cars are sitting for long periods of time on Stratton Blvd.
- B. **Mary Weber.** Ms. Weber lives at 102 Adkisson Street near the AO Smith call center. She voiced concerns on voting to give AO Smith everything. She is concerned about the property flooding because there is already flooding. She commended Gill for voting no. Mayor informed Ms. Weber the city did not vote on that piece of property. AO Smith will be talking to each individual owner to work out issues. Chuck Walker will bring photos for discussion. Mrs. Noe asked if we want to have the engineer look at the flooding.
- C. **Salary Study.** Lisa Walker asked about the study. Mayor indicated, he will be at the budget meeting next Tuesday.
- D. **Jail Discussion for County.** Chief Walker informed the council County Commission meeting on the 24th will discuss options for jail and adding on to the church.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion made by Gill, seconded by Norwood to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.



MS. KELLIE REED, CITY RECORDER



RICHARD JOHNSON, MAYOR