

MINUTES OF MEETING, ATHENS CITY COUNCIL, JUNE 19, 2012

The Athens City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, June 19, 2012, at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Buttram presiding. The invocation was given by Council Member Davis; and upon roll call, the following members were present:

Davis, Jackson, Pelley, Perkinson, Buttram

The following decisions were made and ordered made a part of the records of the Athens City Council.

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MINUTES

The Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of May 15, 2012 was submitted and approved by unanimous consent.

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COMMUNICATIONS

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION – “AMATEUR RADIO WEEK”

Vice Mayor Perkinson read a proclamation declaring the week of June 18-24, 2012 as Amateur Radio Week. Several members of the McMinn County Amateur Radio Club were present to accept the proclamation and everyone was invited to attend the Amateur Radio Field Day exercises June 23-24, 2012 at the Athens Regional Park lake pavilion.

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PRESENTATION OF VIVID AWARD

Council Member Jackson presented the *Very Important Volunteer Individual Award* for June 2012 to Shane Pledge for his outstanding support of this community through his involvement with youth sports. Mr. Pledge thanked the City Council for the award and expressed his thanks to all of the individuals that have assisted with youth baseball. He presented a check for \$1,000 from Friendly City Baseball to the Parks Foundation for baseball related expenses.

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PROCLAMATION – DIANE FRANK

Council Member Davis read a proclamation congratulating Diane Frank, Finance Supervisor at Athens City Schools, on her retirement and her outstanding service to the community through her dedication and loyalty to Athens City Schools and the City of Athens.

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MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Buttram acknowledged receipt of letters of appreciation for services performed by City staff.

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BEER BOARD

6:18 P.M.....The Athens City Council recessed and reconvened as the Athens Beer Board

RELINQUISHMENT OF BEER PERMIT – VALUE MART #2, 2619 DECATUR PIKE

Mayor Buttram acknowledged receipt of a letter from Jolly Ben Patel relinquishing the Grocery (Food Stores) Beer Permit at Value Mart #2 located at 2619 Decatur Pike due to a change in ownership. **A motion was made by Board Member Pelley, seconded by Board**

Member Perkinson, to accept the relinquishment of Value Mart #2 beer permit as submitted. Upon roll call, the motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Davis, Jackson, Pelley, Perkinson, Buttram
NAYS: None

BEER APPLICATION – VALUE MART #2, 2619 DECATUR PIKE

An application for a Grocery (Food Stores) Beer Permit from Ashwinkumar Patel, owner of Value Mart #2, 2619 Decatur Pike, was presented for consideration. **A motion was made by Board Member Pelley, seconded by Board Member Jackson, to approve the beer application as submitted.** Upon roll call, the motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Davis, Jackson, Pelley, Perkinson, Buttram
NAYS: None

BEER APPLICATION – ISLAND CUISINE, 1012 EAST MADISON AVENUE

An application for a Restaurant Beer Permit from Aaron Taylor, owner of Island Cuisine, 1012 East Madison Avenue, was presented for consideration. **A motion was made by Board Member Pelley, seconded by Board Member Davis, to approve the beer application as submitted.** Upon roll call, the motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Davis, Jackson, Pelley, Perkinson, Buttram
NAYS: None

6:22 P.M.....The Athens Beer Board adjourned and reconvened as the Athens City Council

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PETITIONS AND REQUESTS

REQUESTS FROM AUDIENCE

Sheila Chesanow, 229 County Road 616, of the Athens Lions Club, provided a Lions Clubs Community Needs Assessment Questionnaire to members of the City Council and audience requesting their input to help the Lions Club identify community needs as well as programs and services they felt were needed. There were no other petitions or requests presented at this time.

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REPORTS

FINANCE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Mr. Michael Keith, Finance Director, presented the Finance Department Report for the month of May 2012. The report was accepted as presented.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Chuck Ziegler presented the Police Department Report for the month of May 2012. The report was accepted as presented.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Fire Chief Jim Dyer presented the Fire Department Report for the month of May 2012. The report was accepted as presented.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Buttram advised that the following items were discussed during the recent work session and are presented as a part of the Consent Agenda. The recording clerk read the items into the record:

- a.) Approve Athens Utilities Board budget for Fiscal Year 2012/13;
- b.) Approve Athens City Board of Education Budget Amendment No. 3 for Fiscal Year 2011/2012;
- c.) Approve City of Athens Budget Amendment No. 3 for Fiscal Year 2011/2012;
- d.) Approve Medical Insurance Renewal as submitted by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Tennessee for year beginning July 1, 2012;
- e.) Accept bid (Bid No. 1565 dated June 7, 2012) as submitted by Ooltewah Clearing and Grinding for Property Clearance;
- f.) Accept bid (Bid 1566 dated June 7, 2012) as submitted by MES for Fire Safety Equipment.

On motion by Council Member Jackson, seconded by Council Member Davis, the Consent Agenda as stated above was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Davis, Jackson, Pelley, Perkinson, Buttram
NAYS: None

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ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE NO. 1004 – SECOND/FINAL READING – PUBLIC HEARING
AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT A BUDGET AND SET THE TAX RATE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1.1147 ON EACH ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS ASSESSED VALUE OF TAXABLE PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, TENNESSEE, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2012 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2013.

The caption of the above-described Ordinance was read by the recording clerk. Mayor Buttram opened the public hearing. There being no one present wishing to discuss the Ordinance, Public Hearing was closed. **A motion was made by Council Member Pelley, seconded by Council Member Davis, to approve Ordinance No. 1004 on Second and Final Reading.** Ordinance No. 1004 was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Davis, Jackson, Pelley, Perkinson, Buttram
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

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NEW BUSINESS

RECOMMENDATION FROM PLANNING COMMISSION

ORDINANCE NO. 1005
AN ORDINANCE TO ANNEX PROPERTY ALONG STATE ROUTE HIGHWAY 305 AS SHOWN ON THE ATTACHED MAP, AND DESCRIBED IN THE BODY OF THIS ORDINANCE, AND TO INCORPORATE THE SAME WITHIN THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, TENNESSEE.

The caption of the above-described Ordinance was read by the recording clerk. **A motion was made by Council Member Pelley, seconded by Vice Mayor Perkinson, to**

approve Ordinance No. 1005 on First Reading. After brief comments, Ordinance No. 1005 was approved on first reading by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Davis, Jackson, Pelley, Perkinson, Buttram
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

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CONSIDERATION OF GRANT APPLICATION FOR BULLETPROOF VESTS

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-21

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, TENNESSEE, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER TO MAKE APPLICATION AND RECEIVE FUNDS IN THE FY 2012 BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP (BVP) PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS' BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE (BJA), U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.

The caption of the above-described Resolution was read by the recording clerk. **Motion was made by Council Member Davis, seconded by Council Member Jackson, to approve Resolution No. 2012-21 as presented.** Upon roll call, the resolution was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Davis, Jackson, Pelley, Perkinson, Buttram
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

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CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENT TO CITY OF ATHENS PENSION PLAN

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-22

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE FIFTH AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF ATHENS, TENNESSEE PENSION PLAN.

The caption of the above-described Resolution was read by the recording clerk. **Motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkinson, seconded by Council Member Pelley, to approve Resolution No. 2012-22 as presented.** Upon roll call, the resolution was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Davis, Jackson, Pelley, Perkinson, Buttram
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

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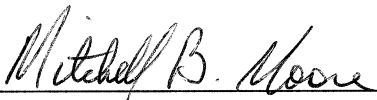
MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Moore presented the Manager's Report. He reviewed the progress of current city projects/meetings scheduled during the months of June and July. After brief comments, the report was accepted.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting and upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.



MITCHELL B. MOORE, City Manager



R. HAL BUTTRAM, Mayor