

MINUTES OF MEETING, ATHENS CITY COUNCIL, DECEMBER 17, 2013

The Athens City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, December 17, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Buttram presiding. The invocation was given by Mayor Buttram; and upon roll call, the following members were present:

Burris, Pelley, Perkinson, Davis, 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 November 19, 2013 was submitted and approved by unanimous consent.

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COMMUNICATIONS

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION – SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION WEEK

Mayor Buttram read a proclamation recognizing the week of January 19-25, 2014 as "School Board Appreciation Week". Amy Sullins, from the Athens City Schools School Board, was present to accept the proclamation on behalf of the School Board. Robert Greene, Director of Athens City Schools, was also in attendance.

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PRESENTATION OF VIVID AWARD

Council Member Pelley presented the Very Important Volunteer Individual Award for December 2013 to William "Bill" Smith for his outstanding support of this community. Several staff members for City Park School were in attendance.

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MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Buttram acknowledged receipt of letters of appreciation for services performed.

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PETITIONS AND REQUESTS

AUDIENCE

Mayor Buttram opened the meeting for petitions and requests from the audience. There were none 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 November 2013. 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 November 2013. 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 November 2013. 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 Travelers Car Show Request for the 2014 Downtown Cruise In at Market Park;
- b.) Approve 2014 Sounds of Summer Concert Series Request at Market Park;
- c.) Approve City of Athens Debt Management Policy, annual review by the Athens City Council;
- d.) Approve Resolution No. 2013-39 authorizing the distribution of Athens Utilities Board's electrical in lieu of tax payments for fiscal year 2013/14;
- e.) Approve Resolution No. 2013-40 authorizing the distribution of Athens Utilities Board's gas in lieu of tax payments for fiscal year 2013/14;
- f.) Approve staff's recommendation to declare assorted vehicles and office equipment as surplus property and authorize public sale or disposal thereof as detailed in memorandum from Matthew Marshall, Director of Purchasing dated December 4, 2013;
- g.) Approve Resolution No. 2013-41 authorizing the execution of a release to discharge, surrender, and release the right to repurchase real property.

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

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

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NEW BUSINESS

REPLACEMENT PICKUP TRUCK AND PASSENGER VAN – APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ON STATE CONTRACT WITH FORD OF MURFREESBORO

Motion was made by Council Member Pelley, seconded by Council Member Perkinson, to approve the purchase of a replacement pickup truck and passenger van on state contract with Ford of Murfreesboro. Upon roll call, the motion was approved by the following vote:

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

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SALT SPREADER REPLACEMENT – APPROVAL OF PURCHASE FROM STRINGFELLOW, THE SOLE SOURCE FOR THIS EQUIPMENT

Motion was made by Council Member Perkinson, seconded by Council Member Burris, to approve the purchase of a salt spreader replacement from Stringfellow, the sole source for this equipment. Upon roll call, the motion was approved by the following vote:

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

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APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH TDOT FOR RESURFACING OF ROADS

Mayor Buttram stated consideration of a resurfacing agreement from Tennessee Department of Transportation was added to the agenda under New Business due to its time sensitive nature. City Manager Moore stated this agreement was for resurfacing Forrest Avenue and Sweetfield Valley Road as part of the Surface Transportation Program (STP). Each city is allocated a sum of money typically for streets that connect to state roads. This agreement is for this year's appropriation in the budget and should be spent prior to end of the fiscal year. The total estimated cost of the project is \$285,650 with the City's share totaling \$57,130 and the remaining \$228,520 coming from STP funds. **Motion was made by Council Member Pelley, seconded by Council Member Perkinson, to approve the agreement with the Tennessee Department of Transportation for the resurfacing of Forrest Avenue and Sweetfield Valley Road. Upon roll call, the motion was approved by the following vote:**

AYES: Burris, Pelley, Perkinson, Davis, Buttram
NAYS: 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 December and January. The report was accepted as presented.

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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 6:40 p.m.



R. HAL BUTTRAM, Mayor



MITCHELL B. MOORE, City Manager