

ATHENS CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING

February 18, 2020

The Athens City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Burris presiding. The invocation was given by Vice Mayor Perkinson; and upon roll call, the following members were present:

Coker, Lockmiller, Pelley, Perkinson, Burris

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

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of January 21, 2020 were submitted and approved by unanimous consent.

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COMMUNICATIONS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Burris acknowledged receipt of a letter from Principal Jill Swafford, Ingleside Elementary School, thanking the Athens City Council for their commitment to their school system.

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CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a.) Approve staff's recommendation to move John Proffitt from an Alternate on the Board of Adjustments and Appeals to a Board Member to fill vacancy, term expires June 3, 2024.
- b.) Appoint Wesley Kite to fill vacancy on Board of Zoning Appeals, term expires June 30, 2024.
- c.) Reappoint Shannon Alvey, Stephen Dick, Larry Rhodes, and Laura Sullivan to the Council Advisory Committee, terms expire March 21, 2023.
- d.) Reappoint Lucas Shepherd to Keep McMinn Beautiful, term expires March 6, 2023.
- e.) Reject all bids submitted for Bid # 1709 – Athens Fire Department Bunk Room Addition.
- f.) Approve bid as submitted by East Tennessee Construction for Bid # 1710 - Contract Services for Concrete Sidewalk Construction, Gutters, Curbs, and Handicap Access Ramps.
- g.) Approve proposal as submitted by Global Solutions Group for Document Scanning and Electronic Content Management.
- h.) Approve Athens City Schools Budget Amendment No. 1 (General Purpose) for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.
- i.) Approve Resolution No. 2020-08 to authorize submission of an application to the USDA Rural Development for their Community Facilities loan program.
- j.) Authorize City Manager to negotiate a sales commission on the Redfern property not to exceed 6% without City Council approval.
- k.) Approve Resolution No. 2020-09 to authorize submission of an application to the Department of Homeland Security for Fiscal Year 2019 Assistance to Firefighters Grant.

A motion was made by Council Member Pelley, seconded Council Member Lockmiller, to approve the Consent Agenda in its entirety. The motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Coker, Lockmiller, Pelley, Perkinson, Burris
NAYS: None

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ORDINANCES

NONE

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OLD BUSINESS

NONE

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NEW BUSINESS

ACCEPTANCE OF ATHENS' DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S SCHOOL BOARD REQUEST TO DESIGN NEW PRE-K THROUGH 5TH GRADE ON CURRENT CODES ADOPTED BY STATE OF TENNESSEE FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-10

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE CITY OF ATHENS' DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S SCHOOL BOARD REQUEST TO DESIGN THE NEW PREK-5 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DESIGN ON CURRENT ADOPTED CODES OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE.

The caption of Resolution No. 2020-10 was read by the recording clerk. **Motion was made by Council Member Pelley, seconded by Vice Mayor Perkinson, to approve Resolution No. 2020-10.** Upon roll call, the resolution was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Coker, Lockmiller, Pelley, Perkinson, Burris
NAYS: None

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APPOINTMENT A MUNICIPAL ADVISOR

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-11

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF A MUNICIPAL ADVISOR TO PROVIDE ADVICE TO, AND ON BEHALF OF, THE CITY OF ATHENS, TENNESSEE, INCLUDING ADVICE WITH RESPECT TO THE STRUCTURE, TIMING, TERMS AND OTHER SIMILAR MATTERS CONCERNING SUCH FINANCIAL PRODUCTS OR ISSUES FOR WHICH THE CITY OF ATHENS, TENNESSEE MAY IN THE FUTURE REQUIRE FINANCING OR REFINANCING.

The caption of Resolution No. 2020-11 was read by the recording clerk. **Motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkinson, seconded by Council Member Coker, to approve Resolution No. 2020-11.** Upon roll call, the resolution was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Coker, Lockmiller, Pelley, Perkinson, Burris
NAYS: None

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ADOPTION OF FUND BALANCE POLICY

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-12

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT A FUND BALANCE POLICY FOR THE CITY OF ATHENS, TENNESSEE.

The caption of Resolution No. 2020-12 was read by the recording clerk. **Motion was made by Council Member Pelley, seconded by Council Member Lockmiller, to approve Resolution No. 2020-12.** Upon roll call, the resolution was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Coker, Lockmiller, Pelley, Perkinson, Burris
NAYS: None

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REPORTS

FINANCE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Mr. Mike Keith, Finance Director, presented the Finance Department Report for the month of January 2020. The report was accepted as presented.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Fire Chief Brandon Ainsworth presented the Fire Department Report for the month of January 2020. The report was accepted as presented.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Police Chief Cliff Couch presented the Police Department Report for the month of January 2020. The report was accepted as presented.

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REQUESTS FROM CITIZENS

NONE

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REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Sumner reviewed his monthly report including the various Parks and Recreation and Public Works projects and activities going on throughout the city.

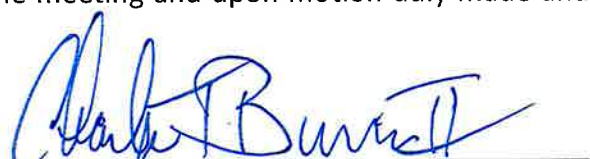
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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting and upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.



C. SETH SUMNER, City Manager



CHARLES T. BURRIS, II, Mayor