

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
JULY 13, 2021

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Fayetteville, Lincoln County, Tennessee, met in an open, public session at the regular meeting place of said Board in the Municipal Building of said City at 5:00 p.m. on July 13, 2021. Mayor Michael Whisenant was present and presiding. The following named Aldermen were present:

Jeff Alder, Tonya Allen, Danny Bryant, Donna Hartman, Roger Martinez and Dorothy Small

Also, present were Scott Collins, City Administrator and Johnny D. Hill, Jr., City Attorney.

The prayer was led by Dorothy Small, and the pledge was led by Mayor Whisenant.

Adoption of Agenda:

Motion was made by Roger Martinez, seconded by Tonya Allen, to remove item “G. Seasonal & Part-time employees line-item addition (\$25,000)” from the agenda. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:

Danny Bryant, Tonya Allen, Dorothy Small, Jeff Alder, Donna Hartman and Roger Martinez

Nay:

None

Mayor Whisenant declared the motion approved.

Approval of Minutes:

The Regular Meeting minutes of June 8, 2021 were approved as presented.

The Public Hearing Minutes for FY 2022 Budget Ordinance 2021-06 were approved as presented.

The Public Hearing Minutes for Rezoning 1107 Hedgemont R-2 to C-3 were approved as presented.

Oath of Office:

Emma Alexander was sworn in as a member of the Fayetteville Fire Department.

Carson Rodriguez was sworn in as a member of the Fayetteville Fire Department.

Kristi Gentry was sworn in as Planning & Codes Director.

Pam Gentry was sworn in as Administration Direction.

Reports:

Fayetteville Public Utilities:

Britt Dye, CEO/General Manager of Fayetteville Public Utilities (FPU), announced that FPU will be exiting the cable business effective December 31, 2021. At that time other services such as streaming will be offered, and FPU will continue to film and show live shows on Youtube. There have been several water leaks that have been repaired. The water loss is now at eighteen to twenty percent (18-20%) which is very good. Larger pumps have been installed at the Highway 64 East pump station to increase pressure. The Tennessee Public Utility Commission conducted the annual gas inspection and no violations were cited. One hundred thirty-eight (138) new internet customers were connected. The rural customers where new internet has been installed are very excited about this service being in their area. The electric crews continue to work on Molino Road. We will soon be replacing the conductor down Huntsville Highway. The tree trimming crews continue to work to keep up with the fast growing trees.

Fire Report:

Chief Richard Howell reported that the Fayetteville Fire Department responded to one (1) trash fire, one (1) passenger vehicle fire, fourteen (14) medical assists to the EMS crew, eight (8) motor vehicle accidents with injury, and fifty-six (56) EMS calls excluding vehicle accidents during the month of June 2021.

Police Report:

Chief Richard Howell reported that the Fayetteville Police Department reported one hundred twenty-one (121) incidents, made forty-four (44) arrests, issued forty-eight (48) citations, and a total reportable police activity count of one thousand, five hundred forty-eight (1,548) during the month of June 2021.

Finance Report:

Stacy Rozell, Finance Director, reported that the June 2021 Local Option Sales Tax was two hundred ninety-two thousand, four hundred sixty-six dollars and two cents (\$292,466.02). The total Local Option Sales Tax received for this fiscal year to date is two million, eight hundred forty-five thousand, three hundred eighty-one dollars and seventy-three cents (\$2,845,381.73). We have already exceeded the prior year record and will likely pass the three million dollar (\$3,000,000.000) mark for the year-end total. The Finance team is working diligently on the fiscal year process. T.C.A. code requires that the books be closed no later than sixty (60) days after the last day of the fiscal year. Preliminary work has begun on the FY 2021 audit. Samples have been pulled for the cash disbursements test and the payroll test.

Recreation Report:

Ira Thompson, Parks and Recreation Director, reported that July is Parks and Recreation month. Ryan Yates has been hired as the new coordinator for the department. The softball season is ending. Repairs are being made to a drain that collapsed at Kiwanis Park, as well as repairs to equipment at Kids Park. There were approximately two hundred twenty (220) kids at the recent Fishing Rodeo and one hundred ninety-eight (198) at the pool Glow Party. The Independence Day event was a huge success. The pool upgrade and repairs are now complete, but the slide was shut down due to a problem with the paint flaking off at the seams. New paper product dispensers and new trash cans have been installed and painting completed in the bathrooms. We continue to offer new classes at the Recreation Center and will be looking at how to increase the parking at that facility as well as all parks. There is an upcoming Back 2 School Bash scheduled in August, as well as fall sports leagues such as baseball, softball, soccer and possibly flag football. We are also considering establishing a recreation events council for community input in our programs and special events.

Public Works Report:

Eddie Plunkett, Public Works Director, reported that three hundred five (305) tons of trash and one hundred fifty (150) tons of brush were collected in the month of June 2021. The Old Mulberry Road drainage project should be completed in approximately four (4) weeks if weather permits. The Lowell Drive drainage project continues as scheduled.

Planning and Codes Report:

Kristi Gentry, Planning and Codes Director, reported that from May 4, 2021 through June 30, 2021 forty-seven (47) permits were issued and seven thousand, eight hundred fifty-five dollars and twenty cents (\$7,855.20) in permit fees were collected for the month of June 2021. The total project valuation was one million, four hundred ninety-seven thousand, four hundred twenty-one dollars (\$1,497,421.00). We are currently seeking someone to join the team as a Property Maintenance Inspector, but continue to address violations and complaints on property maintenance issues. At this time, we have not received notification of receiving the Home Grant. The vehicular directional signage is scheduled to be completed around July 26th with installation planned for July 29, 2021. The signage was introduced from the Downtown Master Plan and Branding Initiative to bring visitors to the downtown area to shop and dine. During the June Planning Commission meeting two (2) minor plats were approved. Also at that meeting, approval was granted for a 2nd floor apartment above 105 Main Avenue South. We have three (3) more festivals scheduled for this year. First, the Slawburger Festival is planned for August 21, 2021. The 7th Annual Cruzin' Downtown Fayetteville will be on September 11, 2021. We will have food vendors and a local band for live entertainment. The Host of Christmas Past planning continues. Everyone is encouraged to visit the City of Fayetteville Tourism website.

Administrator's Report:

Scott Collins, City Administrator, stated that we continue to research the American Recovery Plan Act. We received the ARAP permit today for the William D. Jones STBG project. On the Phase II Greenway Project, the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) responded on July 6, 2021 with comments on the submitted reevaluation NEPA report. Vice Mayor executed the comment sheet on that date, at which time it was resubmitted. It will be two (2) to four (4) weeks before this is reviewed.

FY 2021 FCS Budget Amendment – Ordinance #2021-09:

Ordinance #2021-09, an ordinance entitled “Fayetteville City Schools – Budget Amendment #6 Central Office FY2021” was considered. Said ordinance is as follows:

Motion was made by Danny Bryant, seconded by Dorothy Small, to approve the FY 2021 FCS Budget Amendment – Ordinance #2021-09 as presented. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:

Tonya Allen, Dorothy Small, Jeff Alder, Donna Hartman, Roger Martinez, and Danny Bryant

Nay:

None

Mayor Whisenant declared the motion approved.

Call for Public Hearing: Rezone 615 Maple St. W from R-2 to C-3:

Motion was made by Jeff Alder, seconded by Dorothy Small, to call for a public hearing on the rezoning of 615 Maple St. W from R-2 to C-3. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:

Dorothy Small, Jeff Alder, Donna Hartman, Roger Martinez, Danny Bryant, and Tonya Allen

Nay:

None

Mayor Whisenant declared the motion approved.

MOU City and City Schools – FCS FEMA Dome Project:

Motion was made by Danny Bryant, seconded by Roger Martinez, to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Fayetteville and the Fayetteville City Schools for the FEMA Dome Project. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:

Jeff Alder, Donna Hartman, Roger Martinez, Danny Bryant, Tonya Allen and Dorothy Small

Nay:

None

Mayor Whisenant declared the motion approved.

Architect Agreement – FCS FEMA Dome Project:

Motion was made by Danny Bryant, seconded by Tonya Allen, to approve the architect agreement between the Fayetteville City Schools and JBHM Architects for the FEMA Dome Project. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:

Donna Hartman, Roger Martinez, Danny Bryant, Tonya Allen, Dorothy Small and Jeff Alder

Nay:

None

Mayor Whisenant declared the motion approved.

Engineering Agreement for Downtown Square Sidewalk Project:

Motion was made by Jeff Alder, seconded by Donna Hartman, to approve the engineering agreement for the Downtown Square Sidewalk Project with Croy Engineering in the amount of one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000.00). City of Fayetteville Attorney John Hill emphasized to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen that in this agreement there is a recommendation that the City hire an independent geotechnical firm to determine if there are any rock issues, as Croy Engineering is not responsible for this in their scope of work. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:

Roger Martinez, Danny Bryant, Tonya Allen, Dorothy Small, Jeff Alder and Donna Hartman

Nay:
None

Mayor Whisenant declared the motion approved.

Lifeguards Pay + Reimbursement for Training/Certification (\$3,500):

Motion was made by Tonya Allen, seconded by Roger Martinez, to approve the increase in lifeguard pay and reimbursement for their training/certifications in an amount not to exceed three thousand, five hundred dollars (\$3,500.00). Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:
Danny Bryant, Tonya Allen, Dorothy Small, Jeff Alder, Donna Hartman and Roger Martinez

Nay:
None

Mayor Whisenant declared the motion approved.

Sick Leave Donation Policy:

Motion was made by Jeff Alder, seconded by Tonya Allen, to amend the personnel policy and approve the Sick Leave Donation Policy. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:
Tonya Allen, Dorothy Small, Jeff Alder, Donna Hartman, Roger Martinez and Danny Bryant

Nay:
None

Mayor Whisenant declared the motion approved.

Renaming Portion of Wood Drive:

Motion was made by Roger Martinez, seconded by Dorothy Small, to rename a portion of Wood Drive to Westside Drive. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:
Dorothy Small, Jeff Alder, Donna Hartman, Roger Martinez, Danny Bryant and Tonya Allen

Nay:
None

Mayor Whisenant declared the motion approved.

Slawburger Festival Permit – 08/21/2021:

Motion was made by Dorothy Small, seconded by Jeff Alder, to approve the Slawburger Festival Permit for August 21, 2021. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:
Jeff Alder, Donna Hartman, Roger Martinez, Danny Bryant, Tonya Allen and Dorothy Small

Nay:
None

Mayor Whisenant declared the motion approved.

Host of Christmas Past Permit – 11/12-13/2021:

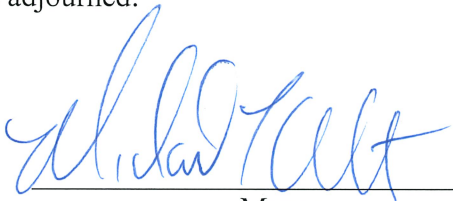
Motion was made by Dorothy Small, seconded by Roger Martinez, to approve the Host of Christmas Past Permit for November 12-13, 2021. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:
Donna Hartman, Roger Martinez, Danny Bryant, Tonya Allen, Dorothy Small and Jeff Alder

Nay:
None

Mayor Whisenant declared the motion approved.

There being no more business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.



Mayor 8/10/21



City Clerk