

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
DECEMBER 12, 2023

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 December 12, 2023. Mayor Donna Hartman was present and presiding. The following named Aldermen were present:

Jeff Alder, Tonya Allen, Danny Bryant, Roger Martinez, Jacob Painter and Dorothy Small.

Kevin Owens, City Administrator, and Johnny D. Hill, Jr., City Attorney were also present.

The prayer was led by Vice Mayor Danny Bryant, and the pledge was led by Ralph Askins 4th grade student Ruby Wright.

Adoption of Agenda:

The agenda for December 12, 2023 will stand.

Approval of Minutes:

The Regular Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2023 were approved as presented.

Proclamation – Honoring Inez Halcomb Daniel:

Mayor Hartman read and then presented to the family of Inez Halcomb Daniel a proclamation honoring Mrs. Daniel's life and celebrating her recent 103rd birthday.

Awards:

Chief Barry Pendergraft presented a Lifesaving Award to Officer Jeremy Miller and a Meritorious Service Award to Officer Andy Rodriguez.

Reports:

Fayetteville/Lincoln County Library:

Alderman Jeff Alder who serves on the Library Board reported that during the month of November, 2023, one thousand, seven hundred ninety-three (1,793) patrons visited the library and checked out one thousand, seven hundred fifty-eight (1,758) materials. There were twenty-nine (29) new library cards issued. Also, during the month of November, the library hosted twenty-five (25) programs with four hundred two (402) patrons participating in these events. Many programs are scheduled for the month of December. Due to the upcoming holidays, the library is scheduled to be closed from December 23rd through December 26th.

Fayetteville City Schools:

Eric Jones, Fayetteville City Schools (FCS) Director, stated that currently there are approximately one thousand, two hundred (1,200) students enrolled and two hundred (200) employees within the FCS system. Approximately five hundred (500) students are transported each day by City school buses. There are between one thousand, five hundred (1,500) and two thousand (2,000) meals served each day at the schools. More than seventeen percent (17%) of Fayetteville's citizenry is served by the system. Mr. Jones thanked the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, the parents and the community for their ongoing support. Rujena Dotson, Assistant Director of Schools, provided information on the Innovative School Models grant. The Fayetteville City School system, in partnership with Ariens Company, has established a Tennessee College of Applied Technology dual enrollment welding program. Classroom space, an office for the instructor, and twenty (20) welding booths with self-contained ventilation have been installed in the back of the Ariens facility. This program will prove to be very beneficial to the community, economy, and tremendously impactful to the students.

HH Lincoln Health Systems:

Mary Beth Seals, HH Lincoln Health Systems President, announced that Ariens Company approached HH Lincoln Health Systems and is the first occupational health endeavor for the system. They now have a nurse practitioner and occupational therapist in house at their facility at least four (4) days per week. The hospital has recently received a new exterior paint job and there have been many updates to the Patrick Rehab-Wellness Center with more to come. There are plans to make some renovations to Donalson Care Center in the spring of 2024.

Fire Report:

City Administrator Kevin Owens reported that in the month of November 2023 the Fayetteville Fire Department responded to one hundred twenty-two (122) calls for service to include eight (8) brush fires, two (2) building fires, ninety (90) EMS assists, and six (6) motor vehicle accidents. The next toy drive buy night will be at the Dollar General Store on December 14th. The toys will be distributed at the fairgrounds on December 21st.

Police Report:

Chief Barry Pendergraft reported that the Fayetteville Police Department responded to eight hundred thirty-one (831) events in the month of November 2023 to include forty-three (43) traffic accidents with five (5) injuries, made twenty-eight (28) arrests and issued thirty-four (34) traffic citations for fifty-four (54) violations.

Finance Report:

Loretta Garner, Finance Director, reported that Local option sales tax received in October was two hundred eighty-three thousand, two hundred eighty-eight dollars (\$283,288.00) which is an increase over last year of 9.92%. State share sales tax remained stable. Occupancy tax received in October was sixteen thousand, six hundred eighty-eight dollars (\$16,688.00), which is a decrease from last year.

Recreation Report:

Nathan Browning, Parks and Recreation Director, reported that the Bright Lights and Festive Nights event went very well. Also, the annual Christmas Parade was a tremendous success with over one hundred (100) entries. The slide at Kids park has been reattached and is ready for use. Competitive bids are being sought for the repair of the tennis courts in anticipation of them being available for use in the spring. The new basketball goals for Kiwanis Park will be ordered soon. Beginning February 5, 2024, on the first Monday of every month, there will be Senior Bingo at the Recreation Center beginning at 1:00 p.m. A kid's dance is scheduled for February 3rd.

Public Works Report:

Eddie Plunkett, Public Works Director, reported that ninety-seven (97) tons of brush, ninety-eight (98) tons of leaves, and two hundred sixty-two (262) tons of trash were collected for the month of November. The Public Works Department will be closed on Monday, Christmas Day, therefore citizens on Monday and Tuesday garbage routes are asked to put out their trash Christmas night for pickup on Tuesday.

Planning and Codes Report:

Kristi Gentry, Planning and Codes Director, reported that eight (8) permits were issued and two thousand, five hundred forty-seven dollars (\$2,547.00) in permit fees were collected for the month of November 2023. The total project valuation was six hundred forty-six thousand, one hundred ninety dollars (\$646,190.00). Arby's will be relocating to the old Popeye's building after renovation is completed. Thirty-one (31) property violations were logged in the month of November. At the November Planning Commission meeting, three projects were approved: a site plan was approved to build a pad to entice development at the Industrial Park; a minor plat was approved in the Urban Growth Boundary to create an independent lot by the new Dollar Tree/Family Dollar in Parks City for future development opportunity; and the FPU electric vehicle fast charger project site plan was approved. Lastly, the new City banners have been received and will be installed in January 2024 when the Christmas decorations are taken down.

City Administrator's Report:

Kevin Owens, City Administrator, provided his monthly report to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen. The Title VI requirements were completed under the direction and leadership of the Administration

Director. This is a very important and significant task that was accomplished as this will allow the City to be eligible for Federal funding for the next three (3) years. A preconstruction meeting was held for the upcoming sidewalk project. Plans are being made to conduct the first meeting for the affected merchants in the beginning phase of the project. This meeting will be held on January 11, 2024 at the Municipal Building. We continue to work daily to get the animal control services to full operations by January 8th.

Turn alley behind the Municipal Building into a one-way street:

Motion was made by Danny Bryant, seconded by Jacob Painter, to turn the alley behind the Municipal Building into a one-way street going from north to south. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:

Jeff Alder, Tonya Allen, Danny Bryant, Roger Martinez, Jacob Painter, and Dorothy Small

Nay:

None

Mayor Hartman declared the motion approved.

Move \$214 from operations to capital for purchase of basketball goals:

Motion was made by Jeff Alder, seconded by Roger Martinez, to move two hundred fourteen dollars (\$214.00) from the Parks and Recreation operations budget to capital for the purchase of basketball goals. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:

Tonya Allen, Danny Bryant, Roger Martinez, Jacob Painter, Dorothy Small and Jeff Alder

Nay:

None

Mayor Hartman declared the motion approved.

Ordinance 2023-14 COF FY24 Budget Amendment #2:

Ordinance 2023-14, an ordinance entitled “An Ordinance of the City of Fayetteville, Amending the Annual Budget and Capital Program for Fiscal Year 2024” was considered. Said ordinance is as follows:

Motion was made by Danny Bryant, seconded by Jeff Alder, to approve Ordinance 2023-14 as presented. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:

Danny Bryant, Roger Martinez, Jacob Painter, Dorothy Small, Jeff Alder and Tonya Allen

Nay:

None

Mayor Hartman declared the motion approved.

FCS FY24 Capital Budget Amendment #1:

Motion was made by Dorothy Small, seconded by Roger Martinez, to approve the FCS FY24 Capital Budget Amendment #1 as presented. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:

Roger Martinez, Jacob Painter, Dorothy Small, Jeff Alder, Tonya Allen, and Danny Bryant

Nay:
None

Mayor Hartman declared the motion approved.

Approve the FY23 audit:

Motion was made by Danny Bryant, seconded by Jacob Painter, to approve the FY23 audit. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:
Jacob Painter, Dorothy Small, Jeff Alder, Tonya Allen, Danny Bryant and Roger Martinez

Nay:
None

Mayor Hartman declared the motion approved.

FPU Board appointment (County appointee) – Michael Gooding (Term to expire 7/1/26):

Motion was made by Jacob Painter to approve FPU Board appointment of Michael Gooding. Motion failed due to there not being a second.

FPU SRF DW8 2024-260 Loan Debt Report and Amortization Schedule:

Mayor Hartman presented Form CT-0253 as information on Fayetteville Public Utilities' SRF DW8 2024-260 project to include the loan debt report and amortization schedule. Said report and schedule are as follows:

FPU SRF DW822 2024-263 Loan Debt Report and Amortization Schedule:

Mayor Hartman presented Form CT-0253 as information on Fayetteville Public Utilities' SRF DW822 2024-263 project to include the loan debt report and amortization schedule. Said report and schedule are as follows:

FPU SRF DW822 2024-264 Loan Debt Report and Amortization Schedule:

Mayor Hartman presented Form CT-0253 as information on Fayetteville Public Utilities' SRF DW822 2024-264 project to include the loan debt report and amortization schedule. Said report and schedule are as follows:

Employee Service Awards:

City of Fayetteville employees and board members were recognized for years of service as follows:

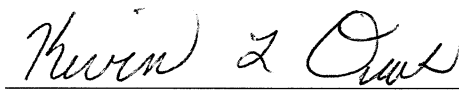
Terri Harper, Emergency Communications	20 Years
Davy Bergman, Fire	15 Years
Danny Bryant, Board Member	15 Years
Lisa Reese, Emergency Communications	15 Years
Derron Dickinson, Police	10 Years
Kristi Gentry, Planning & Codes	10 Years
Elizabeth Thomas, Emergency Communications	10 Years

Jeff Alder, Board Member	5 Years
Tonya Allen, Board Member	5 Years
Donna Hartman, Board Member	5 Years
Natalie Locke, Emergency Communications	5 Years
James Owen, Police	5 Years

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



Mayor Donna Hartman



City Clerk