# REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN JULY 14, 2020

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Fayetteville, Lincoln County, Tennessee, met in 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 14, 2020. Mayor Michael Whisenant was present and presiding. The following named Aldermen were present:

Danny Bryant, Dorothy Small, Jeff Alder, Donna Hartman and Rachael Martinez

The following Alderman was absent: Tonya Allen

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

The prayer was led by Vanessa Holman, and the pledge was led by Mayor Whisenant.

### Adoption of Agenda:

The agenda for July 14, 2020 will stand.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

The Public Hearing minutes of June 9, 2020 for the 2017 & 2018 Building Codes Ordinances were approved as presented.

The Public Hearing minutes of June 9, 2020 for the FY2021 Fayetteville City Schools Budget were approved as presented.

The Public Hearing minutes of June 9, 2020 for the FY2021 Budget Ordinance were approved as presented.

The Regular Meeting minutes of June 9, 2020 were approved as presented.

The Special Called Meeting minutes of June 29, 2020 were approved as presented.

## Reports:

## **Fayetteville Public Utilities:**

Britt Dye, CEO/General Manager, reported that the Highway 64 West and Country Club lift stations are complete except for some minor cosmetic work. The water line has been moved on William D. Jones Boulevard. The line has been temporarily relocated on Brookmeade where the tile is being replaced. We are covering the lines where the services were relocated for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue tile project. FPU is replacing water lines on Daves Hollow Road that were washed away earlier during the flooding. Water and wastewater rehab continues. Mr. Dye and Kim Posey met last week with State Representative Pat Marsh and are working with the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) on the State Revolving Fund (SRF) program. FPU continues to change out poles, and changed 163 gas meters. There were 222 trouble calls in the month of June. The tree trimming department continues to work the hot spots in the county. We are working on several telecom grants in the county. FPU was awarded the Tennessee one million, seven hundred thousand dollar (\$1,700,000.00) grant. We are also applying for Rural Digital Opportunity funding. Through the Tennessee Electric Cooperative Association, we recently applied for the Cares funding to install 90 miles of line by the end of the year at an estimated cost of two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00). FPU continues to make necessary changes as needed for COVID-19. We have monthly meetings with employees so they can stay updated on the Governor's Executive Orders. Lastly, we had a meeting today with the Tennessee Valley Authority about the 150 megawatt solar site that is to be installed at the county line. TVA will be required to construct a 161kv substation for this solar installation by NextEra Energy Resources.

#### **Fire Report:**

Chief Richard Howell presented the fire report. In the month of June, 2020, there was one building fire, one passenger vehicle fire, six medical Emergency Medical Services (EMS) assists, 43 EMS calls excluding vehicle accidents, four motor vehicle accidents with injury and one motor vehicle accident involving a pedestrian.

## **Police Report:**

Chief Richard Howell reported that the Police Department had 114 citations, 53 arrests, 43 traffic citations with a total police activity of 1,412.

#### Finance:

Stacy Rozell, Finance Director, reported that work has begun on the FY2020 audit. Their focus for the last few weeks has been on cash receipts, cash disbursements and payroll. We will be undergoing a single audit this year to audit the grant funds we have received. The Finance team will be working diligently to get the FY2020 books closed. We have listed and sold many of the City's retired vehicles on GovDeals.

### **Recreation Report:**

City Administrator Scott Collins, reporting for Recreation Director Chris Mitchell, stated plans are to have a soccer league this fall season. All are encouraged to view the American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) website for updates. There have been a few classes starting back at the Recreation Center with others waiting to see what the continued impact of COVID will be. We ask that the citizens be patient with the grass cutting as the department is not fully staffed at this time.

# Public Works:

Eddie Plunkett, Public Works Director, reported that 264 tons of brush and 297 tons of trash were collected for the month of June. Bids for the Interlocal Solid Waste Association (ISWA) contract for grinding will be received and opened next Monday. Work on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue project will begin no later than next Monday. A problem developed at the intersection of Washington Street and Elk Avenue. We hope to have that patched by the weekend.

### **Planning and Codes Report:**

Kristi Gentry, Planning and Codes Coordinator, reported that 22 permits were issued and \$2,520.00 in permit fees were collected for the month of June. The total project evaluation was \$426,069.00. We launched our new Municity software and have been actively entering data, and issuing permits and Certificates of Occupancy. A new Certificate of Occupancy was issued to Fixin's Restaurant which is located on the south side of the city square. Lenace Hyde has logged more than 300 property maintenance violations this year. In June, the Planning Commission approved two new projects for Frito-Lay: a trash dock expansion, and an expansion to their break room. Also, at today's Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, a zoning variance was granted for building an accessory structure in a side yard at 105 McNeese Street. Kristi Gentry closed in saying she was deeply saddened to hear of the passing of Mr. Tom Bailey. Mr. Bailey was a great asset to the City Planning and Codes Department, and she was very fortunate to have worked with him for the last several years.

#### Administrator's Report:

Scott Collins, City Administrator, reported that the archeology work approved by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen at the Special Called Meeting on June 29<sup>th</sup> is underway for Camp Blount. This study will also take care of Phase 2 and Phase 3 of the Greenway. A Notice of Intent to apply for the multimodal grant will be submitted to the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT). This grant is a 95/5 percent match on a maximum one million dollar (\$1,000,000.00) grant. If the grant were awarded, the State would provide nine hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$950,000.00) and the City would provide fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00). The application will be to replace the downtown sidewalks. The LPRF soccer complex grant is moving forward. They are doing extra environmental work due to the increased size of the field. The design is also taking into consideration irrigation, drainage and possible lighting. A memorial bench program will be launched later this month where businesses or citizens can purchase a bench for the Greenway, Camp Blount and other areas around town. FPU has been a great partner by assisting the City's Information Technology (IT) Department in achieving to get Wi-Fi on the square. This has been a vision of IT Director Jerry Taylor's for the last three years and has finally come to fruition. FPU has also installed lighting on Phase 1 of the greenway which enhances safety in that area. They are also working with the City to get a water line installed at Camp Blount so concrete can be poured in the coming weeks. Lastly, FPU has moved a water line on William D. Jones Boulevard bringing the project closer to bid.

### **Sale of City Owned Lots:**

Motion was made by Danny Bryant, seconded by Dorothy Small to approve the sale of nine (9) city owned lots by sealed bid. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:

Danny Bryant, Dorothy Small, Jeff Alder, Donna Hartman and Rachael Martinez

Nay:

None

Mayor Whisenant declared the motion approved.

## 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Trail of Tears Memorial Walk – 10/31/2020:

Motion was made by Dorothy Small, seconded by Jeff Alder to approve the permit for the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Trail of Tears Memorial Walk. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:

Dorothy Small, Jeff Alder, Donna Hartman, Rachael Martinez, and Danny Bryant

Nay:

None

Mayor Whisenant declared the motion approved.

# **6<sup>th</sup> Annual Cruzin' – 09/12/2020:**

Motion was made by Danny Bryant, seconded by Donna Hartman to approve the permit for the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Cruzin'. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:

Jeff Alder, Donna Hartman, Rachael Martinez, Danny Bryant, and Dorothy Small

Nay:

None

Mayor Whisenant declared the motion approved.

## **Birthday Parade – 07/10/2020:**

Motion was made by Dorothy Small, seconded by Rachael Martinez, to approve ex post facto the permit for the Birthday Parade. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Ave:

Donna Hartman, Rachael Martinez, Danny Bryant, Dorothy Small and Jeff Alder

Nay:

None

Mayor Whisenant declared the motion approved.

# **Warrior Project:**

Motion was made by Donna Hartman, seconded by Jeff Alder to approve a contribution of one thousand, five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) to the Warrior Project. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Ave:

Rachael Martinez, Danny Bryant, Dorothy Small, Jeff Alder and Donna Hartman

Nay:

None

Mayor Whisenant declared the motion approved.

## Ordinance 2020-17 - FY2020 FCS Budget Amendment:

Ordinance 2020-17, an ordinance entitled "Fayetteville City School System Budget Amendment #4 General Education Fund FY2020" was considered. Said ordinance is as follows:

Motion was made by Danny Bryant, seconded by Dorothy Small to approve Ordinance 2020-17 as presented. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Ave

Danny Bryant, Dorothy Small, Jeff Alder, Donna Hartman and Rachael Martinez

Nay:

None

Mayor Whisenant declared the motion approved.

# **COF Purchasing Policy:**

Motion was made by Jeff Alder, seconded by Danny Bryant to approve the City of Fayetteville Purchasing Policy. Upon roll call, the following voted:

Aye:

Dorothy Small, Jeff Alder, Donna Hartman, Rachael Martinez, and Danny Bryant

Nay:

None

Mayor Whisenant declared the motion approved.

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

Mayor