

REGULAR SESSION

May 14, 2019

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of McMinnville, Tennessee, met in regular session at its regular meeting place, City Hall, Tuesday, May 14, 2019, at approximately 7:00 p.m. Adequate public notice of the agenda was given by notices posted at City Hall, articles in the Southern Standard newspaper and news reports on the local radio stations. Present were: Vice Mayor Ryle Chastain; Aldermen Kate Alsbrook, Steve Harvey, Rachel Kirby and Mike Neal. Absent: Mayor Ben Newman, Alderman Everett Brock. Others present: City Administrator Nolan Ming; Shirley Durham, City Recorder; Tim Pirtle, City Attorney, and members of the news media and press.

The meeting was presided over by the Honorable Vice Mayor Ryle Chastain, with Shirley Durham recording the action taken at the meeting.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Vice Mayor Chastain stated that written copies of the minutes of the regular session of April 23, 2019, and the called session of April 30, 2019 had been sent to each member of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen previously. He asked if any member of the Board wished to make any corrections, additions or modifications to the minutes.

Motion was made by Mr. Harvey to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve them as written. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Alsbrook and carried.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Vice Mayor Chastain recognized Keri Morton, 942 Indian Mound Drive, who reminded everyone about the Relay for Life event scheduled for June 1, 2019 and invited everyone to come and participate in the activities.

Vice Mayor Chastain recognized Mandy Eller, President, Chamber of Commerce, who presented the Board with a letter of request to apply for a grant and asked that it be considered under New Business.

COMMUNICATIONS

Motion was made by Mr. Neal to approve a request from Mary Lee Walker, Organizer, Back to the Strip to reschedule their annual fundraising event downtown on June 22nd, just as it was originally scheduled for May 4th and had to be cancelled due to severe weather. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Alsbrook.

In discussion, it was pointed out that complaints had been received from some of the downtown business about the closing of Main Street all day and asked if the car show could be relocated some where else. The organizers will consider making changes for next year.

Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Neal to approve a request from Katie Kemezis, Director, Main Street McMinnville, to locate their Bike McMinnville Welcome Tent at Riverfront Park on Sunday, May 19th. They are hosting a family-friendly community Bike Ride at 3 pm to celebrate National Bike Month. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Alsbrook and carried.

Motion was made by Mrs. Alsbrook to approve a request from Katie Kemezis, Director, Main Street McMinnville, for the City to provide two garbage cans for trash, bins to collect items for recycling, brooms or rakes to collect leaves, disposable gloves and the use of the grassy lot for a Welcome Station for their 2019 Spring Clean event scheduled for Saturday, June 1st from 8 am – 11 am. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chastain and carried.

PETITIONS

There were no petitions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion was made by Mr. Neal to approve a request from the Tourism Development Board, to apply for the Tourism Enhancement Grant, Round 4 to be used for boat ramp improvements to Rocket Park and/or Pepper Branch Park. The award is up to \$75,000 with a 90% award/10% match. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kirby and carried.

If awarded the Finance Committee and the Board would have to approve accepting the grant.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 2078, a resolution to authorize the City of McMinnville, Tennessee to accept the low bid from Gordon Griffith's Masonry for the masonry of Riverfront Park, Ramsey Park and Pepper Branch Park restrooms in the amount of \$40,500.00 for the McMinnville Parks and Recreation Department; to authorize the City Administrator to issue the necessary purchase order on behalf of the City of McMinnville; and to express the time when the resolution becomes effective was introduced for adoption.

Motion was made by Mr. Harvey to adopt Resolution No. 2078. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Alsbrook and upon call of the roll Aldermen Alsbrook, Chastain, Harvey, Kirby and Neal voted aye. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES

There were no ordinances.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Parks and Recreation Director Scott McCord gave a report on activities at the Civic Center. Renovations to two of the tennis courts have been completed and they are getting ready to bid out the other two courts.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice Mayor Chastain read a joint proclamation that Mayor Ben Newman and County Executive Jimmy Haley proclaimed May as Foster Care Month across the community and urged residents to consider becoming foster parents to the children who need loving and nurturing families.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

City Recorder

Mayor