

**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING KINGSTON CITY COUNCIL**  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.  
KINGSTON CITY HALL

IN AN EFFORT TO HELP REDUCE THE SPREAD OF COVID-19, THIS MEETING WAS CONDUCTED THROUGH ZOOM AND WAS LIVESTREAMED ON OUR WEBSITE, [WWW.KINGSTONTN.GOV](http://WWW.KINGSTONTN.GOV) AND WAS POSTED TO OUR FACEBOOK PAGE.

The Kingston City Council met in a Special Called session on Monday, December 21, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Neal called the meeting to order. Council Member Tony Brown gave the Invocation and Mayor Tim Neal led the pledge. Upon roll call the following members were present: Council Member Brown, Council Member Childs, Vice-Mayor Humphreys, Council Member Stockton, Council Member Wright and Mayor Neal. Staff present: City Manager David Bolling, City Clerk Kelly Jackson and City Attorney Jack McPherson.

**A. Consideration of adopting the procedure for accepting nominations and voting on Council Vacancy.**

**PROPOSED PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATIONS AND VOTING**

- The Mayor will open the floor to nominations
- A Councilmember may move to nominate the candidate of his/her choice. Nominations do not require a second or vote to nominate.
- With no objection, a Councilmember may nominate multiple candidates. If an objection is made, each Councilmember must have the opportunity to nominate someone if they so choose before another may nominate again.
- At any time, A Councilmember may move that the nominations cease. This motion does not require a second, but does require a majority vote at approve. If approved, a subsequent motion and majority approval would be required to re-open the nominations.
- If no motion is made to cease the nominations, and it becomes apparent that there are no more to be made, the Mayor will make a final call for nominations. Upon hearing none, he will declare the nominations closed, and ask the Clerk to read the names of all nominated candidates and then call the roll for a vote.
- To be appointed, a candidate must receive four votes in a voting round.
- Any candidate(s) receiving zero votes in a voting round will be automatically dropped from consideration.
- In the event that no candidate receives four votes in a voting round, the person receiving the lowest number of votes (above zero) will also be dropped from consideration.
- If there is a tie among low vote getters (above zero), a tie breaking vote will be held among those candidates only. The candidate receiving the most votes in the tie breaking round will return to the next voting round, and the other candidate(s) in the tie breaking round will be dropped from consideration. If the tie breaking round results in a tie as well, all candidates in that round will be dropped from consideration.
- After no candidate receives four votes in the first voting round, and after a tie breaking round if necessary, a second voting round will be held among the remaining candidates. This process will continue until someone receives four votes in a voting round.
- Once a candidate receives four votes in a voting round, the Mayor will officially declare that person the winner and adjourn the meeting.

Motion by Council Member Wright, second by Council Member Childs to adopt the above listed procedure for accepting nominations and voting on Council Vacancy.

Motion by Council Member Brown to amend the above listed procedure for accepting nominations and voting on Council by adding that a tie-breaker may not be used in any voting round when someone else has been eliminated. Further discussion ensued. Council Member Brown withdrew his Motion.

Mayor Neal Yielded the floor to Applicant Levi Lankford to clarify Voting Procedures.

The original motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote. 6 Ayes.

**B. Consideration of nominations and appointment to fill the City Council seat vacated by the passing of Councilmember Wiley Brackett**

Motion by Councilmember Brown to nominate David Doonan, Bruce Eltzroth, Carolyn Granger, Jeff Griffis, Levi Lankford, Jody Tipton and Don White. *(A SECOND MOTION IS NOT NEEDED IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS FROM OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS)*

Hearing no Objections, Mayor Neal opened the floor for any additional Nominations. Hearing no further nominations, the Mayor ceased nominations.

The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote. 6 Ayes

Vice-Mayor Humphreys requested clarification re: Council Vacancy Applicants who currently serve on other City Boards and their status on those Boards if they were elected to Council.

**First Round Vote Roll Call:**

	David Doonan	Bruce Eltzroth	Carolyn Granger	Jeff Griffis	Levi Lankford	Jody Tipton	Don White
Councilmember Brown							X
Councilmember Childs	X						
Vice-Mayor Humphreys				X			
Councilmember Stockton				X			
Councilmember Wright					X		
Mayor Neal						X	
Totals	1			2	1	1	1

***\*\*No votes were cast for Bruce Eltzroth and Carolyn Granger therefore both were eliminated from the Ballot.***

**\*\*A Tie-Breaker Round will now be held between David Doonan, Levi Lankford, Jody Tipton and Don White. The applicant receiving a majority of the votes in the tie-breaker round will proceed to the second round.**

### **Tie-Breaker Vote from the First Round Vote**

	David Doonan	Levi Lankford	Jody Tipton	Don White
Councilmember Brown				X
Councilmember Childs				X
Vice-Mayor Humphreys				X
Councilmember Stockton				X
Councilmember Wright		X		
Mayor Neal			X	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>

### **Second Round Vote Roll Call**

	Jeff Griffis	Don White
Councilmember Brown	X	
Councilmember Childs		X
Vice-Mayor Humphreys	X	
Councilmember Stockton	X	
Councilmember Wright	X	
Mayor Neal	X	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>

Having received a Majority Vote by Council, Mr. Jeff Griffis was duly elected and will take the Oath of Office to assume the Council seat vacated by the passing of Wiley Brackett.

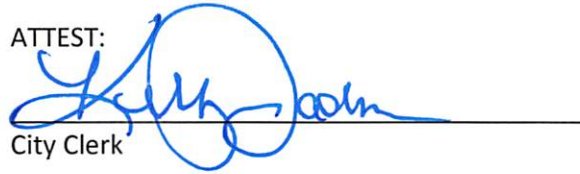
Mayor Neal adjourned the meeting at 6:29 pm

APPROVED 1-12-2021

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Tim Neal, Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	Name (Original Name)	User Email	Join Time	Leave Time	Duration	Guest
2	Kelly Jackson	kelly.jackson@kingstontn.gov	12/21/2020 17:17	12/21/2020 17:51	34	No
3	David Boiling		12/21/2020 17:20	12/21/2020 18:29	70	Yes
4	Hugh Willett		12/21/2020 17:29	12/21/2020 18:30	61	Yes
5	Levi Lankford	lvlank34@gmail.com	12/21/2020 17:38	12/21/2020 17:40	2	Yes
6	Tony Brown		12/21/2020 17:40	12/21/2020 18:29	49	Yes
7	Carolyn Granger		12/21/2020 17:42	12/21/2020 18:29	48	Yes
8	Levi Lankford	lvlank34@gmail.com	12/21/2020 17:42	12/21/2020 18:29	48	Yes
9	stephaniewright		12/21/2020 17:43	12/21/2020 18:29	46	Yes
10	David Doonan		12/21/2020 17:46	12/21/2020 18:29	44	Yes
11	Jeff		12/21/2020 17:47	12/21/2020 18:30	43	Yes
12	Tim Neal		12/21/2020 17:48	12/21/2020 18:29	42	Yes
13	Carol Doonan	carol.doonan@ceridian.com	12/21/2020 17:48	12/21/2020 18:29	41	Yes
14	RE (Randy Ellis)		12/21/2020 17:51	12/21/2020 18:27	37	Yes
15	Kelly Jackson	kelly.jackson@kingstontn.gov	12/21/2020 17:51	12/21/2020 18:30	39	No
16	Bruce Eltzroth		12/21/2020 17:53	12/21/2020 18:28	36	Yes
17	Jody Tipton		12/21/2020 17:54	12/21/2020 18:28	35	Yes
18	Kevin Hamilton (April Hamilton)		12/21/2020 17:55	12/21/2020 18:30	35	Yes
19	Ricky Neu		12/21/2020 17:55	12/21/2020 18:25	31	Yes
20	Jack's iPad		12/21/2020 17:55	12/21/2020 18:29	35	Yes
21	Tara Stockton		12/21/2020 17:55	12/21/2020 18:29	35	Yes
22	Becky		12/21/2020 17:57	12/21/2020 18:30	33	Yes
23	Cheryl Duncan	cduncan82@gmail.com	12/21/2020 17:57	12/21/2020 18:30	33	Yes
24	Randy Childs		12/21/2020 18:00	12/21/2020 18:30	30	Yes
25	Kelly's iPhone		12/21/2020 18:23	12/21/2020 18:26	4	Yes

# Oath of Office

I, Jeff Griffis, do solemnly swear that I will honestly and faithfully discharge the duties of City Councilman for the City of Kingston without partiality, favor or affection.

Jeff Griffis 12-22-2020  
Jeff Griffis Date

Brenda Hall McDonald 22 Dec 2020  
Brenda Hall McDonald Date  
Kingston City Judge

Kelly Jackson 12-22-2020  
Kelly Jackson Date  
City Clerk

KELLY O. JACKSON  
STATE OF TENNESSEE  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
COUNTY OF ROSS  
My Commission Expires May 17, 2023



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