## REGULAR MEETING KINGSTON CITY COUNCIL

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2021 – 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, <u>WWW.KINGSTONTN.GOV</u> AND WAS POSTED TO OUR FACEBOOK PAGE.

The Kingston City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Tim 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 Tony Brown, Council Member Randy Childs, Council Member Jeff Griffis, Vice-Mayor Becky Humphreys, Council Member Tara Stockton, Council Member Stephanie Wright and Mayor Tim Neal. Staff present: City Manager David Bolling, City Clerk Kelly Jackson, Finance Director Michelle Kelley and City Attorney Jack McPherson.

# **PREVIOUS MINUTES**

A motion was made by Member Stockton, second by Vice-Mayor Humphreys to waive the reading and approve as written the minutes of the regular meeting on December 8, 2020, Special Called Meeting on December 17, 2020 and the Special Called Meeting on December 21, 2020

The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote. 7 Ayes

#### PERSONS TO APPEAR/CITIZEN COMMENTS:

- Richard Hill of Mitchell, Emert and Hill, P.C. to formally present the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.
- Brad Taylor explained his role as a Primary Contractor for PATH in regards to the energy efficiency audit.

## REPORTS - MAYOR AND COUNCIL -

Vice-Mayor Humphreys-advised that Fundraising for the 2021 July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration is underway

# <u>CITY MANAGER</u> – Mr. Bolling provided updates on the following topics:

- COVID Protocols for Indoor City Facilities are still in place and are evaluated monthly.
- Collection of Property Taxes. Approximately 1.2 Million already collected.
- Greenway repair project is underway dependent on weather
- Overview of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (Agenda Item F)

ADDITION OF ITEMS TO THE MEETING AGENDA RECEIVED AFTER CLOSE OF AGENDA DEADLINE (BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT OF ALL MEMBERS PRESENT). NONE

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** -NONE

## **NEW BUSINESS -**

A. Consideration to accept the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020

A motion was made by Council Member Stockton, second by Member Childs to accept the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020

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

B. Consideration to appoint a member of Council to fill the vacant City Council representative seat on the Library Board.

A motion was made by Council Member Wright, second by Council Member Stockton to appoint Council Member Jeff Griffis to fill the vacant City Council Representative seat on the Library Board.

The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote. 7 Ayes

C. Consideration to appoint Robert Sparkes to the Beautification Committee to fill an unexpired term ending March 1, 2022

A motion was made by Member Stockton, second by Vice-Mayor Humphreys to appoint Robert Sparkes to the Beautification Committee to fill an unexpired term ending March 1, 2022

The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote. 7 Ayes

D. Consideration to approve the first reading of Ordinance 21-1-12-01, an ordinance establishing policies and procedures for the Water Department.

A motion was made by Member Brown, second by Vice-Mayor Humphreys to approve the first reading of Ordinance 21-1-12-01, an ordinance establishing policies and procedures for the Water Department.

Further discussion ensued and it was recommended to make changes to the numbering of the policies and to clarify the Water Adjustment Policy prior to the second reading.

The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote. 7 Ayes

E. Consideration to select either PATH or TRANE to conduct a no-cost / no-obligation comprehensive energy efficiency audit for the City of Kingston, and to authorize the City Manager to enter in to an agreement with the selected company for the performance of said audit.

Failed due to the lack of a Motion.

F. Consideration of approval for the Fire Department to apply for the 2021 Assistance to Firefighters Grant and to authorize the commitment of 5% local matching funds.

A motion was made by Council Member Childs, second by Council Member Stockton to authorize the Fire Department to apply for the 2021 Assistance to Firefighters Grant and to authorize the commitment of 5% local matching funds.

Further discussion ensued. Vice-Mayor Humphreys asked for clarification in regards to the City's commitment. Council Member Brown explained that in the near future all of the Fire/Police radios will need to be replaced.

The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote. 7 Ayes

Mayor Neal adjourned the meeting at 6:45 pm

APPROVED

Tim Neal, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk