

## **REGULAR MEETING KINGSTON CITY COUNCIL**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.**

**KINGSTON CITY HALL**

The Kingston City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Tim Neal called the meeting to order. Council Member Tony Brown gave the Invocation and Council Member Stephanie Wright 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 Childs, second by Member Stockton to waive the reading and approve as written the minutes of the regular meeting on March 9, 2021.

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

### **PERSONS TO APPEAR/CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

- A proclamation honoring the State Champion Calvary Lady Crusaders Basketball Team
- A proclamation honoring Hugh Johnson as a Hometown Hero and proclaiming April 25, 2021 to be Hugh Johnson Day.

### **REPORTS – MAYOR AND COUNCIL –**

- Vice-Mayor Humphreys-Updated on the continuing success of the July 4<sup>th</sup> event fundraising campaign and thanked the Roane County News for providing an Ad thanking the donors.
- Member Stockton-Updated on the new “Honoring our Heroes” banners. 22 new banners are being displayed and 20 more have been ordered.
- Member Brown-The 911 Board Minutes are included the City Manager’s report. The Solid Waste Committee is scheduled to meet on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Dixie Youth Baseball Tournament changed venue to Harriman City due to the lighting situation at Southwest Point ballfields.
- Member Childs-REU report is included the City Manager’s Report.
- Member Griffis- Library in process of updating LED lighting and Windows.

### **CITY MANAGER – Mr. Bolling provided updates on the following topics:**

- Bonding Committee met regarding the Surety Bond for Center Farms Expansion
- City was notified this week that First Horizon Bank will be closing their Kingston branch in July. We will reopen the RFPs for banking services for the City.
- Plans to add the Ladd Landing resurfacing project to the May work session agenda.
- Kingston will be the custodian for 12 new kayaks and a trailer for the Riverline
- Current year tax collections is \$1,999,000 which is above what was projected for this time of year.

**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 authorize the purchase of a vehicle for the City Manager.**

A motion was made by Member Brown, second by Member Wright to authorize the City Manager to purchase a vehicle not to exceed \$33,500.00 on the state bid list.

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

**B. Consideration to allocate funding for the purchase of new Christmas lights for Kentucky Street.**

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Humphreys, second by Member Griffis to allocate up to \$50,000 from the 300 Capital fund for the purchase of new lights for Kentucky Street with details and pricing to be approved by Council next month prior to ordering. Further discussion resulted in Council agreeing to authorize the City Manager to purchase without further Council review and/or approval.

Further discussion to clarify about shipping, Money allocated will come from the Cares Act, Possibility of utilizing existing bids if available.

Roll call vote

Council Member Brown – Yes  
Council Member Childs – Yes  
Council Member Griffis – Yes  
Vice-Mayor Humphreys – Yes

Council Member Stockton – Yes  
Council Member Wright – No  
Mayor Neal –Yes

Motion passed with 6 Ayes and 1 Nay Vote

**C. Consideration of applicants to fill a vacancy on the Library Board with an unexpired term ending December 21, 2021**

After review of applicants, Member Brown nominated Chris Deatherage, Member Wright nominated Jinx Watson and Member Childs nominated Kelli Smith.

Member Griffis, Council Representative for the Library Board, stated that the Library Board recommended Jinx Watson to fill the position.

Roll call vote

Council Member Brown – Chris Deatherage  
Council Member Childs – Kelli Smith  
Council Member Griffis – Kelli Smith  
Vice-Mayor Humphreys –Kelli Smith

Council Member Stockton –Kelli Smith  
Council Member Wright –Jinx Watson  
Mayor Neal –Kelli Smith

Kelli Smith was duly appointed to fill the unexpired term ending December 21, 2021.

**D. Considerations of applicants to fill five vacancies on the Beautification Committee with four-year terms ending April 30, 2025.**

Motion by Member Stockton, second by Member Childs to accept the five applicants submitted to include: Glenda Johnson, Judy Yeager, Teresa Kirkham, Sue Collins and Cole Silvers.

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

**E. Consideration to authorize the City Manager to apply for the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development Infrastructure Planning Grant with a local match not to exceed \$2,500**

Motion by Member Stockton, second by Member Childs to authorize the City Manager to apply for the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development Infrastructure Planning Grant with a local match not to exceed \$2,500.

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

**F. Consideration of the first reading of Ordinance 21-04-13-01, an ordinance amending the zoning map of the City of Kingston, Tennessee by rezoning property located at 1112 Circle Drive, 1110 Circle Drive and 1106 Sevier Ferry Road as shown on Tax Map 047P, Group A, Parcels 027.00, 028.00 and 029.00 together with adjacent road rights of way from C-2 Highway Business to R-1 Residential District**

Motion by Member Wright, second by Member Stockton to approve the first reading of Ordinance 21-04-13-01, an ordinance amending the zoning map of the City of Kingston, Tennessee by rezoning property located at 1112 Circle Drive, 1110 Circle Drive and 1106 Sevier Ferry Road as shown on Tax Map 047P, Group A, Parcels 027.00, 028.00 and 029.00 together with adjacent road rights of way from C-2 Highway Business to R-1 Residential District

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

**G. Consideration of the first reading of Ordinance 21-04-13-02, an ordinance to adopt a Fat-Oil-Grease (FOG) Reduction and Removal Policy for the Water Department**

Motion by Vice-Mayor Humphreys, second by Member Griffis to approve the first reading of Ordinance 21-04-13-02, an ordinance to adopt a Fat-Oil-Grease (FOG) Reduction and Removal Policy for the Water Department.

Roll call vote


Council Member Brown – Yes  
Council Member Childs – Yes  
Council Member Griffis – Yes  
Vice-Mayor Humphreys – Yes

Council Member Stockton – Yes  
Council Member Wright – No  
Mayor Neal – Yes

Motion passed with 6 Ayes and 1 Nay Vote

Mayor Neal adjourned the meeting at 6:27 pm

APPROVED May 11, 2021



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Tim Neal, Mayor

ATTEST:



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City Clerk