

City Meeting Of June 16, 2020

Mayor Reasoner called the meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to order at 7:11 p.m., Tuesday, June 16, 2020. The meeting was held at City Hall.

Mayor Reasoner stated the Board of Mayor and Alderman for the City of Ridgetop, Tennessee, has determined that meeting electronically is necessary to protect public health, safety and welfare of Tennesseans and the citizens of Ridgetop in light of the coronavirus and that pursuant to Executive Order No. 16, and as extended by Executive Orders 34 and 51 issued by Governor Lee for State of Tennessee on the 20th day of March 2020, the Board of Mayor and Alderman is conducting its meeting electronically having giving clear notice of the meeting agenda and how the public can access the meeting electronically at a time and location reasonably accessible to all members of the public.

Invocation

Mayor Reasoner offered invocation. Mayor Reasoner led the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Reasoner, Vice Mayor Johnson, Alderman Deweese, Alderman Rider, Alderman Johnson, Kelly Rider, City Recorder, Attorney Russell Freeman

Absent:

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of May 19, 2020 were presented for approval or corrections.

Motion made by: Alderman Johnson

Second: Alderman Deweese

Mayor Reasoner...yes

Vice Mayor Johnson...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Johnson...yes

Alderman Rider...yes

Motion Carried.

Commissioners & Department Reports

Utilities:

Mayor Reasoner gave the utility report.

Finance:

Vice Mayor Johnson reported tonight would be the final reading for 2020-2021 budget.

Park:

Alderman Johnson stated Brandon Frank Construction had finalized the video of the Wilson House construction.

Alderman Johnson stated Monty Gregory is working on broadcasting the Nashville Fireworks in the park live on July 4th.

Streets:

No Report.

Fire:

Alderman Deweese gave the fire report. American Red Cross will be back at the fire department on August 6th. Alderman Deseese reported the fire department has completed all firehose and fire hydrant testing.

Planning and Zoning:

No Report.

Business Reports:

City Recorder:

No Report.

Attorney Freeman:

Attorney Freeman stated we are continuing to finalize the clearing and destruction of any and all proper orders for the contraband and drugs.

Mayor Comments:

No Comments.

Public Hearing:

Ordinance 2020-102, An Ordinance Adopting Annual Budget 2020-2021

Mayor Reasoner made the motion to close the meeting and open public hearing. Vice Mayor Johnson seconded.

Mayor Reasoner...yes

Vice Mayor Johnson ...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Johnson...yes

Alderman Rider...yes

Motion Carried.

Kelly Rider stated no request for comment in public hearing or comments were submitted for public hearing.

Mayor Reasoner made the motion to close public hearing. Vice Mayor Johnson seconded.

Alderman Johnson...yes

Vice Mayor Johnson...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Rider...yes

Mayor Reasoner...yes

Motion Carried.

Mayor Reasoner made the motion to open regular meeting. Vice Mayor Johnson seconded.

Mayor Reasoner...

Vice Mayor Johnson ...

Alderman Deweese...

Alderman Johnson...

Alderman Rider...

Motion Carried.

Old Business:

Ordinance 2020-102, An Ordinance Adopting Annual Budget and Tax Rate 2020-2021

Alderman Johnson stated he believes one of the best things to come out of the budget is the city will be a debt free city, this includes gas, sewer and general funds. Alderman Johnson reported there are capital expenditures in budget for roads and parks and funded law enforcement through 2022. The budget has brought three employees pay situation in line with what the market is bearing. The gas budget includes a capital outlay for a utility building. Any capital expense not paid for with recurring revenue is paid for with capital on hand. Shared revenue had been adjusted and current circumstances taken into account.

Alderman Johnson made the motion to accept Ordinance 2020-102, An Ordinance Adopting the Annual Budget (and tax rate) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

Vice Mayor Johnson seconded.

Mayor Reasoner...yes

Vice Mayor Johnson ...yes

Alderman Johnson...yes

Alderman Rider...abstain

Alderman Deweese...yes

Motion Carried.

New Business:

Ordinance 2020-103, Amending Budget Ordinance 2019-104 Adopting Annual Budget

Vice Mayor Johnson made the motion to accept Ordinance 2020-103, An Ordinance Amending Budget Ordinance 2019-104 for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020.

Mayor Reasoner...yes

Vice Mayor Johnson ...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Johnson...yes

Alderman Rider...abstain

Motion Carried.

Ordinance 2020-104, Amend 95-34 Zoning Ordinance

Alderman Deweese made the motion to approve Ordinance 2020-104, An Ordinance amending 95-34 Zoning Ordinance by modification of the minimum lot size, lot width at building setback line, and side yard set back for the R1B Zoning District. Mayor Reasoner seconded.

Vice Mayor Johnson ...no

Alderman Rider...no

Alderman Deweese...no

Alderman Johnson...no

Mayor Reasoner...no

Motion Failed.

Resolution 20-03, Job Description

Vice Mayor Johnson made the motion to accept Resolution 20-03 Job Descriptions, A Resolution amending job description for all current positions with the City of Ridgetop.

Alderman Deweese seconded.

Mayor Reasoner...yes

Vice Mayor Johnson ...yes

Alderman Johnson...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Rider...yes

Motion Carried.

Resolution 20-04, Brazo Equipment

Alderman Johnson made the motion to accept Resolution 20-04 Brazo Equipment, A Resolution declaring certain properties surplus to the needs of the City of Ridgetop and calling for its disposal by donation to the City of Goodlettsville or any other reasonable manner. Alderman Rider seconded.

Mayor Reasoner...yes
Vice Mayor Johnson ...yes
Alderman Rider...yes
Alderman Deweese...yes
Alderman Johnson...yes

Motion Carried.

Contract with City of Goodlettsville Brazo Equipment

No business was discussed.

Bid Results for grass mowing

Alderman Johnson made the motion to accept the bid for weekly mowing in the amount of \$16,790 for 23 weeks mowing of Ridgetop Station Park, Pioneer Park, City Hall and Old Fire Hall properties. Alderman Rider seconded.

Mayor Reasoner...yes
Alderman Johnson...yes
Vice Mayor Johnson ...yes
Alderman Rider...yes
Alderman Deweese...yes

Motion Carried.

Surplus and sale of LESO Equipment and allocation of funds

Alderman Johnson made a motion to surplus all LESO equipment based on the letter received from Elbert Baker from the State of Tennessee to stating we can dispose of all remaining LESO equipment, they have no claims to equipment and the equipment has been removed from their system, based on this letter to a) recapture any expenses related to the program related to the initial startup, b) secure a fence on Highland Ave where equipment has been stored, c) balance of all proceeds go to the Robertson County Sheriff's Department. This equipment will be sold on govdeals with no reserve set and a two-week time cycle on it

Vice Mayor Johnson seconded.

Mayor Reasoner...yes
Vice Mayor Johnson ...yes
Alderman Deweese...yes
Alderman Johnson...yes
Alderman Rider...no

Motion Carried.

Lift Sewer Moratorium

Mayor Reasoner stated on July 16, 2019 the city imposed a self-imposed moratorium and after many discussions with Metro Nashville and George Gardener, the moratorium later imposed by Metro was lifted April 14, 2020.

Alderman Johnson made the motion to lift the self-imposed moratorium Mayor Reasoner seconded.

Mayor Reasoner...yes

Vice Mayor Johnson ...yes

Alderman Rider...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Johnson...yes

Motion Carried.

Utility Cut off

Alderman Johnson made the motion to start to prepare for utility cut offs with about 40 customers we will notify in writing of what will take place and the cut off's will become effective in July giving customers the opportunity to contact city hall to make arrangements and if nonpayment we will return to our standard procedure for utility cut off for gas and sewer.

Vice Mayor Johnson seconded.

Vice Mayor Johnson ...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Rider...yes

Alderman Johnson...yes

Mayor Reasoner...yes

Motion Carried.

Hire Utility Employee

Alderman Deweese stated that he, Pat Hickey and Matt Dill interviewed 3 candidates for the utility worker position with the intent of the employee becoming the gas utility manager.

Alderman Deweese made the motion to hire Brian Dean at an hourly rate of \$20.00 as utility worker. Vice Mayor Johnson seconded.

Vice Mayor Johnson ...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Rider...yes

Alderman Johnson...yes

Mayor Reasoner...yes

Motion Carried.

Bid Advertisement for Pavilion at Bobby Robb Park

Alderman Johnson made the motion to advertise for bid Pavilion at Bobby Robb Park with the bid not to exceed \$35,000. Mayor Reasoner seconded.

Mayor Reasoner...yes

Vice Mayor Johnson ...yes

Alderman Rider...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Johnson...yes

Motion Carried.

Bid Advertisement for Sign at Bobby Robb Park

Alderman Johnson made the motion to advertise for bid a sign at Bobby Robb Park. Alderman Rider seconded.

Mayor Reasoner...yes

Vice Mayor Johnson ...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Johnson...yes

Alderman Rider...yes

Motion Carried.

Bid Advertisement for Mulch and Playground Timbers

No business discussed.

Bid Advertisement for City Shop

Vice Mayor Johnson made the motion for a bid advertisement for a 50 x 60 utility building with a 30 x50 attached covered open shed not to exceed \$150,000. Alderman Rider seconded.

Mayor Reasoner...yes

Vice Mayor Johnson ...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Johnson...yes

Alderman Rider...yes

Motion Carried.

Bid Advertisement for Repair of Walking Trail Ridgetop Station Park, Addition of Trail and sealing of Parking lot

Alderman Johnson made the motion to bid advertisement for repair of walking trail Ridgetop Station Park, Addition of Trail and Sealing of Parking lot. Mayor Reasoner seconded.

Mayor Reasoner...yes

Vice Mayor Johnson ...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes
Alderman Johnson...yes
Alderman Rider...yes
Motion Carried.

Bid Advertisement for traffic signal replacement

Alderman Johnson made the motion to advertise for bid traffic signal replacement with the exception being it is determined to be a single source or on state contract. Mayor Reasoner seconded.

Mayor Reasoner...yes
Vice Mayor Johnson ...yes
Alderman Deweese...yes
Alderman Johnson...yes
Alderman Rider...yes
Motion Carried.

Bid Advertisement to replace road signage and post

No business was discussed.

Bid Advertisement for seeding and straw @ 1003 B Highland Ave

Alderman Johnson made the motion to advertise for bid seeding and straw @ 1003 B Highland Ave. Alderman Rider seconded.

Mayor Reasoner...yes
Vice Mayor Johnson ...yes
Alderman Deweese...yes
Alderman Johnson...yes
Alderman Rider...yes
Motion Carried.

Bid Advertisement for Woodruff Ave Sewer Extension

Alderman Johnson made the motion to advertise for bid Woodruff Ave Sewer Extension. Mayor Reasoner seconded.

Mayor Reasoner...yes
Vice Mayor Johnson ...yes
Alderman Deweese...yes
Alderman Johnson...yes
Alderman Rider...yes
Motion Carried.

Bid Advertisement for Sewer System Maintenance Contract

Alderman Johnson made the motion to advertise for bid for Sewer System Maintenance Contract. Alderman Rider seconded.

Mayor Reasoner...yes

Vice Mayor Johnson ...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Johnson...yes

Alderman Rider...yes

Motion Carried.

Rate Study for Sewer System long term maintenance with Buddy Petty

No business discussed.

Workshop

Alderman Johnson made the motion to schedule a workshop for July 20, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Alderman Deweese seconded.

Alderman Johnson...yes

Vice Mayor Johnson...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Rider...yes

Mayor Reasoner...yes

Motion Carried.

There being no further business to come before the board, Alderman Johnson moved for adjournment. Alderman Rider seconded.

Alderman Johnson...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Vice Mayor Johnson...yes

Alderman Rider...yes

Mayor Reasoner...yes

Motion Carried.

Mayor Reasoner

Kelly Rider, City Recorder